



MINUTES
Regular Council
Deseronto Town Hall
Wednesday, April 12, 2023
7:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Dan Johnston, Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus, Councillor Norman Clark, Councillor Kevin Smith, and Councillor Jamie Zieman

REGRETS:

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Rob Hedley, Clerk Gail Maracle, Treasurer Mora Nicholls, and Operations Manager Frederick Dubeau

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Johnston called the Regular meeting of Council to order at 7:20 pm.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Resolution 14-23-01
Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the agenda for the April 12, 2023 Regular Council meeting be accepted with the addition of 2 items under New Business - Girl Guides & Fire Department
Carried

3. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None noted

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 4.1. Minutes of the March 22, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Resolution 14-23-02

Moved by Councillor Norman Clark
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT the minutes of the March 22, 2023 Regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

Carried

5. **DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

- 5.1. Bakertilly will review the 2021 financial statements with Council

Resolution 14-23-03

Moved by Councillor Norman Clark
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT Council receive the presentation on the 2021 financial statements from Johanna Park of Bakertilly.

Carried

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 6.1. Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte - Long Term Care Centre
 - details on local LTC Centre
 - list of future development & requirements
- 6.2. Public Works equipment list & details
- 6.3. Tree Canopy
- 6.4. Derelict properties - how others handle

Resolution 14-23-04

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT items 6.1 through to 6.4 be deferred to the next meeting of Council.

Carried

7. VARIANCE REPORT

7.1. 1st Quarter Report of 2023

Resolution 14-23-05

Moved by Councillor Norman Clark
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT Council receive the first quarter report of 2023.

Carried

8. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

8.1. Schedule of Accounts

Resolution 14-23-06

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Norman Clark

THAT Schedule of Accounts numbered 6-2023 in the amount of \$429,797.58 be approved for payment.

Carried

9. STAFF REPORTS

9.1. Report from the Town Manager

Resolution 14-23-07

Moved by Councillor Kevin Smith
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the Town Manager's report be received by Council.

Carried

9.2. Report from the Clerk regarding May events

Resolution 14-23-08

Moved by Councillor Kevin Smith
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the Clerk's report be received by Council and the events be advertised with the noted changes.

Carried

9.3. Report from the Treasurer regarding WSIB rebates

Resolution 14-23-09

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Norman Clark

THAT Council receive the Treasurer's report and authorize her to put the \$11,051.32 in WSIB rebates into the Group Benefit Reserve.

Carried

9.4. Treasurer report on Health & Safety Excellence

Resolution 14-23-10

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT Council authorize the Treasurer to express the Town's interest in the Health & Safety Excellence Program.

Carried

9.5. Report on OCIF funding

Resolution 14-23-11

Moved by Councillor Kevin Smith
Seconded by Councillor Norman Clark

THAT the OCIF topic be deferred to Unfinished Business and that staff come up with a list of possible projects that the OCIF funding could be used on.

Carried

9.6. Report on Parks Capital Item

Resolution 14-23-12

Moved by Councillor Kevin Smith
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the Parks Capital item be deferred to Unfinished Business and that a spec sheet be obtained for each lawnmower.

Carried

9.7. Report on Wastewater plant

Resolution 14-23-13

Moved by Councillor Jamie Zieman
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT the Deseronto Wastewater Treatment Plant 2022 Performance Report be received by Council.

Carried

10.

COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

10.1. Deseronto Public Library Board meeting minutes January 16, 2023

Resolution 14-23-14

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the minutes of the January 16, 2023 Deseronto Public Library Board meeting be received by Council.

Carried

11.

ACTION ITEMS

11.1. Hastings County Day 2023

Resolution 14-23-15

Moved by Councillor Norman Clark
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT Council receive the invitation to County Day 2023 and will reply themselves if attending..

Carried

11.2. Letter from MyFM

Resolution 14-23-16

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT Council receive the letter from MY FM and requested that the Town Manager report back to Council on the number of submissions after his meeting with MY FM the next day.

Carried

11.3. Letter from Enbridge Gas

Resolution 14-23-17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

WHEREAS, Enbridge recently made an announcement of their intention to begin charging third-party contractors and other utilities \$200.00 CAD (plus applicable taxes) for utility locates where a field locate is required;

AND WHEREAS, third-party contractors include Ontario municipalities;

AND WHEREAS, these locate requests are only required as Ontario municipalities have allowed utilities to use municipal right of ways at no charge for utilities;

AND WHEREAS, this announcement of new downloaded costs will negatively impact the budgets of Ontario municipalities which are already burdened;

AND WHEREAS, if Enbridge is successful in implementing this new charge, a precedence is set for other utility companies to also begin charging for locates;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Town of Deseronto strongly opposes these utility locate costs being downloaded to Ontario municipalities by Enbridge Gas or other utilities;

AND THAT, the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery make it clear that these costs must be borne by the utilities themselves;

AND THAT, this decision be forwarded to Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma, Minister of Energy Todd Smith, Premier Doug Ford, Town of Deseronto's MPP, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried

12. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 12.1. EOWC 2023 Priorities
- 12.2. Richmond Landfill Notices
- 12.3. Hastings County Council Report

Resolution 14-23-18

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the Richmond Landfill notices and the Hastings County Council Report be received

12.4. Hastings County Press Release regarding ECE's

Carried

Resolution 14-23-19

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Norman Clark

THAT the EOWC Priorities and the Hastings County Press Release be received by Council.

Carried

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1. Public Works & Parks Maintenance

- a) Initial street sweeping completion date (end of April)
- b) Line painting (including paved sidewalks (mid May)
- c) Dock and boat ramp opening date
- d) Ordering of hanging baskets
- e) Rathbun Park 2023
- f) Christmas tree planting location report for next meeting
- g) Maintenance levels for Municipal properties and parks report

Resolution 14-23-20

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT the Town Manager report back to Council at the next meeting.

Carried

13.2.

Mill Point Park

- a) Discussion on moving forward to Phase 2

Resolution 14-23-21

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT a Special meeting be declared at 6:00 pm on Wednesday April 26th to deal with the Community Centre renovations and ill Point Park

Carried

13.3.

Deseronto Brownies & Guides Clean-Up

Admin Staff will have the Public Works staff pick the 4 bags of garage up from the library and dispose of it in their bins.

13.4.

Deseronto Fire Department Request

Resolution 14-23-22

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT Council give the Deseronto Fire Department exclusive use of Centennial Park but advise them that they ae only to collect donations, not charge a set fee.

Carried

14. NOTICES OF MOTION

15. BY-LAWS

- 15.1. Revised Comprehensive Zoning By-Law

Resolution 14-23-23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT EcoVu make the requested changes to the Revised Comprehensive Zoning By-Law and bring it back to Council for approval.

Carried

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

17. CLOSED SESSION

- 17.1. Closed Session Items Under Section 239
b) 3 items under Personal matters about an identifiable person
e) 1 item under Litigation or potential litigation

Resolution 14-23-24

Moved by Councillor Kevin Smith
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus

THAT Council rise at 9:40 pm, under Section 239 of the Municipal Act and move into Closed Session to discuss four matters; 3 under 2(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and 1 under 2(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board .

Carried

Resolution 14-23-25

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Norman Clark

THAT Council go beyond 10:00 pm.

Carried

Resolution 14-23-26

Moved by Councillor Jamie Zieman
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT Council return to Closed Session to complete that portion of the meeting.

Carried

18. INSTRUCTION TO STAFF

Resolution 14-23-27

Moved by Councillor Norman Clark
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Zieman

THAT staff follow the direction of Council as discussed in Closed Session.

Carried

19. BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

- 19.1. By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for April 12, 2023

Resolution 14-23-28

Moved by Deputy Mayor Steven Everhardus
Seconded by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT By-law 24-2023, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the April 12, 2023 Council meeting, having been read a first, second and third time, be assigned a number and finally passed this 12th day of April 2023.

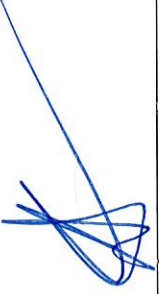
Carried

20. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 14-23-29
Moved by Councillor Kevin Smith

THAT the April 12, 2023 Regular Council meeting be adjourned.

Carried



Mayor



Clerk