

**The Corporation of the  
Village of Merrickville-Wolford**

Monday, April 9, 2018

A regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford was held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2018.

**Chaired by:** Mayor David Nash  
**Members of Council:** Councillor Chuck MacInnis  
Councillor Stephen Ireland  
Councillor Kim Weedmark  
Deputy Mayor Anne Barr  
Councillor Vic Suthren  
Councillor David Snowdon

**Staff in Attendance:** Christina Conklin, Deputy Clerk

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof:** None

**Approval of Agenda**

**R-124-18** Moved by Councillor Ireland, Seconded by Councillor MacInnis  
**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby adopt the agenda of the regular Council meeting of April 9, 2018, as amended.

Carried

**In Camera**

**R-125-18** Moved by Councillor Weedmark, Seconded by Councillor Suthren  
**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby move to "In Camera" at 5:40 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees.

Carried

**R-126-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Councillor Snowdon  
**Be it hereby resolved that:** the "In Camera" session rise and report at 6:10 p.m. with staff being given direction, and the regular Council session resume at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

**Note:** The regular Council session resumed at 7:00 p.m.  
Additional staff now in attendance is the Manager of Public Works, Dave Powers and Interim Treasury Assistant, Richard Bennett.

**Note:** A moment of silence was held in recognition of the Humboldt Broncos' tragedy.

**Minutes**

**R-127-18** Moved by Councillor Snowdon, Seconded by Councillor Suthren  
**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby approve the Minutes of the regular Council meeting of March 26, 2018, as amended.

Carried

**Public Question Period to Council:** No questions.

**Delegations:**

**R-128-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Councillor MacInnis  
**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the delegation of Mike Boomhouwer regarding a request to cancel the fees for the Merrickville Soccer Club; and

That Council approves the cancellation of fees for the Merrickville Soccer Club for 2018 to be reviewed annually.

Carried.

**R-129-18** Moved by Deputy Mayor Barr, Seconded by Councillor Snowdon

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby agree to reconsider Resolution No. R-115-18 regarding support for the Re-enactment Event to be held from May 18<sup>th</sup> to May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

Carried.

**R-130-18** Moved by Deputy Mayor Barr, Seconded by Councillor Snowdon

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the delegation regarding the Re-enactment Event to be held from May 18<sup>th</sup> to May 21<sup>st</sup>; and

That Council does hereby support the Re-enactment Event; and

That Council does hereby waive the rental fees for the Community Center and Fairgrounds for the purposes of the event.

Carried.

**R-131-18** Moved by Councillor Ireland, Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby approve the \$500 in-kind contribution to the Seniors Active Living Centre program this year.

Carried.

**Public Works:**

**R-132-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Barr

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive report PW-03-2018 regarding the 2013 Volvo Motor Grader; and

That Council approves the replacement of the Grader's engine at an estimated cost of \$87,671, with a possible maximum rebate on the existing engine of \$35,859.

Carried.

**Correspondence:**

**R-133-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Councillor Weedmark

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby grant an exemption from By-law 26-07 to "A Chance Animal Rescue" to allow it to operate an itinerant canteen on the grounds of the Merrickville LCBO as follows:

1. May 5, 2018 between 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.;
2. June 9, 2018 between 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.;
3. July 8, 2018 between 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; and
4. August 11, 2018 between 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Carried.

**Library:**

**R-134-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Councillor Ireland

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the News Release dated March 28, 2018 from the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries, for information purposes.

Carried.

**Interim CAO:**

**R-135-18** Moved by Councillor Ireland, Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the proposal of Max Christie, P.Eng., to assist the Village of Merrickville-Wolford in selecting an Operating Authority for the Merrickville Water and Wastewater Operations; and

That Council authorizes that Max Christie, P.Eng. be retained at an upset cost of \$4,000.00.

Carried.

**Finance:**

**R-136-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Barr

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the draft 2018 budget and direct staff to prepare the final by-law to adopt the budget based on Option 2 of the attached 2018 Budget Summary.  
Carried.

**R-137-18** Moved by Councillor Snowdon, Seconded by Councillor Weedmark

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby approve the transfer of any 2017 surplus to the Working Capital Reserve and approve the transfer from the Working Capital Reserve to fund any deficit from 2017.  
Carried.

**Environment:**

**R-138-18** Moved by Councillor MacInnis, Seconded by Councillor Suthren

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive Resolution Number R-Pitch In 2018-18 of the Environmental Advisory Committee; and

That Council does hereby direct that the Landfill Site accept "Pitch-In" bags of trash from April 21<sup>st</sup> to May 5<sup>th</sup>, free of charge.

Carried.

**Old Business:**

**R-139-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the report by Councillor Suthren and Councillor MacInnis regarding streetscaping.  
Carried.

**R-140-18** Moved by Deputy Mayor Barr, Seconded by Councillor Weedmark

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby confirm streetscaping to include: flower baskets and barrels, public garden spaces, trees, banners and flags as well as any other elements that are intentionally placed on public property throughout the landscape to add visual impact; and

Council does hereby request that Merrickville-Wolford in Bloom work in collaboration and consultation with all stakeholders in matters relating to the above, including municipal staff and the Merrickville Chamber of Commerce.

Carried.

**Notices of Motion:**

**R-141-18** Moved by Councillor Snowdon, Seconded by Councillor Suthren

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby permit Theatre Night in Merrickville to carry out the work as suggested to the Merrickville Community Centre, subject to the Chief Building Official's approval and issuance of a construction permit; and

That Council does hereby direct staff to pay the construction permit fees from the Municipality.

Carried.

**Councillor MacInnis made a Notice of Motion to have a discussion regarding the appointment of an Integrity Commissioner at the next meeting.**

**Deputy Mayor Barr made a Notice of Motion to have a discussion regarding the Chamber of Commerce Park Bench Program.**

**Additions to the Agenda**

**R-142-18** Moved by Councillor Suthren, Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

**Be it hereby resolved that:** The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby nominate Peggy Holloway for the 2018 Senior of the Year Award.  
Carried.

**R-143-18** Moved by Councillor Ireland, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Barr

**Be it hereby resolved that:** By-law 19-2018, being a by-law to appoint Kirsten Rahm as the Manager of Finance/Treasurer and to authorize the execution of Municipal Employment Contract dated April 5, 2018, be read a first and second time, and that By-law 19-2018 be read a third and final time and passed.

Carried.

**Public Question Period:**

A resident thanked Council for the work that they do on a daily basis and inquired as to whether there is a policy in place to have correspondence to the Mayor and Council included in the Council Agenda package.

A resident inquired as to whether or not there would be an investigation into the purchase of the 2013 Volvo Motor Grader. Further, the resident inquired as to whether there was a policy in place regarding relationships between Council, staff, and employees on leave.

**Confirming By-Law**

**R-144-18** Moved by Councillor Weedmark, Seconded by Councillor Snowdon

**Be it hereby resolved that:** By-law 18-2018, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting of April 9, 2018, be read a first and second time, and that By-law 18-2018 be read a third and final time and passed.

Carried.

**Adjournment**

**R-145-18** Moved by Councillor MacInnis, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Barr

**Be it hereby resolved that:** This regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does now adjourn at 8:44 p.m. until the next regular meeting of Council on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., or until the call of the Mayor subject to need.

Carried.

  
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David Nash, Mayor

  
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Christina Conklin, Deputy Clerk