

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

Monday, July 27, 2020

Chaired by:

Mayor J. Douglas Struthers

Members of Council:

Councillor Don Halpenny

Councillor Bob Foster

Councillor Timothy Molloy

Deputy Mayor Michael Cameron

Regrets:

Staff in Attendance:

Doug Robertson, CAO/Clerk

Christina Conklin, Deputy Clerk

Kirsten Rahm, Treasurer

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

Approval of Agenda

R-183-20 Moved by Councillor Halpenny, Seconded by Councillor Foster

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby approve the agenda of the regular Council meeting of July 27, 2020, as amended.

Carried.

Note: The agenda was amended to include an update on boards and advisory committee meetings, an update on the potential of a partial water ban, and discussion regarding times for Council meetings under item number 9.

Delegation:

R-184-20 Moved by Councillor Halpenny, Seconded by Councillor Foster

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the delegation of Ian Murphy of MNP LLP; and

That Council does hereby receive the draft Consolidated Financial Statements for 2019 year-end.

Carried.

Minutes:

R-185-20 Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Molloy

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby approve the Minutes of the special Council meeting of June 22, 2020, as circulated.

Carried.

R-186-20 Moved by Councillor Molloy, Seconded by Councillor Foster

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby approve the Minutes of the special Council meeting of July 10, 2020, as circulated.

Carried.

Correspondence:

R-187-20 Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Molloy

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive correspondence from Niklas Altehoefer Hastings, received on July 17, 2020 regarding the Merrickville-Wolford Citizenship Award, for information purposes.

Carried.

Planning:

R-188-20

Moved by Councillor Halpenny, Seconded by Councillor Foster
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive correspondence from Forbes Symon of Jp2g Consultants Inc. with respect to Consent Application B-5-20; and
That Council does hereby recommend approval of Consent Application B-5-20 to the Consent Granting Authority.

Carried.

Finance:

R-189-20

Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Halpenny
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive report FIN-10-2020, being a report regarding the removal of outstanding taxes from the tax roll, for information purposes; and

That Council does hereby authorize the Treasurer or delegate to remove from the tax roll outstanding property taxes (including penalties, interest and other charges) in the amount of \$903.56 from 2014 for Roll #0714 714 015 09428.

Carried.

R-190-20

Moved by Councillor Molloy, Seconded by Councillor Foster
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive report FIN-13-2020, being a report regarding transfers to and from reserves, for information purposes; and

That Council does hereby approve the transfer of \$96,200.00 from the 2019 Capital Budget to the Carry Forward Reserve to be used for 2020 Capital projects; and

That Council does hereby approve the transfer of \$24,738.00 from the 2019 RED program to the Carry Forward Reserve to be used for 2020 RED projects; and

That Council does hereby approve the transfer of the water and wastewater surplus of \$90,915.50 from the 2019 Water and Wastewater Budget to the Water and Wastewater Reserve; and

That Council does hereby approve the transfer of \$49,340.57 from the 2019 Building Department Budget to the Building Reserve.

Carried.

R-191-20

Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Halpenny
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive report FIN-14-2020, being the 1st and 2nd quarter report of the Finance Department, for information purposes.

Carried.

R-192-20

Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Halpenny
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby direct staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Management Program for an Asset Management Plan; and

That the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby commit to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance the Village's asset management program:

- Hire a consultant to assist with the development of an Asset Management Plan for the Village of Merrickville-Wolford.

Be it further resolved that the Village of Merrickville-Wolford has committed \$12,500.00 from its budget toward costs of this initiative.

Carried.

R-193-20 Moved by Councillor Molloy, Seconded by Councillor Foster
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby direct staff to waive interest charges on the first installment of the Final Tax Notices due July 31, 2020 until September 30, 2020 and Direct staff to waive interest charges for water and wastewater bills until September 30, 2020.

Defeated.

CAO:

R-194-20 Moved by Councillor Molloy, Seconded by Councillor Foster
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive report CAO-06-2020, being a report regarding the 2019 Staff Vacation and Banked Time allotments, for information purposes; and

That Council does hereby authorize the extension of the deadline for staff to use 2019 vacation and banked time from April 30, 2020 to December 31, 2020.
Carried.

NOTE: Ms. Rahm left the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

In Camera:

R-195-20 Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Molloy
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby move to an "In-Camera" session at 8:10 p.m. under Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to address matters pertaining to:

1. A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board;
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and
3. Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and

Carried.

Rise and Report:

R-196-20 Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Halpenny
Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby rise and report from the "In-Camera" session of the regular Council meeting, with staff being given direction, at 9:45 p.m.

Carried.

Confirming By-Law:

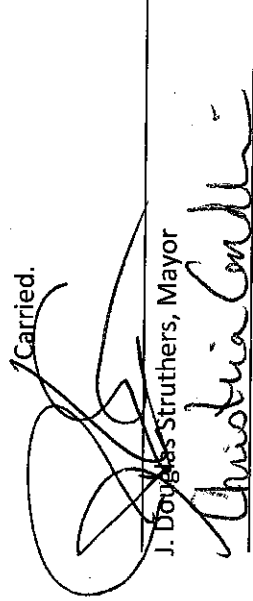
R-197-20 Moved by Councillor Halpenny, Seconded by Councillor Foster
Be it hereby resolved that: By-law 41-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting of July 27, 2020, be read a first and second time, and that By-law 41-2020 be read a third and final time and passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

R-198-20 Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Halpenny
Be it hereby resolved that: This regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does now adjourn at 9:48 p.m. until the next regular meeting of Council on August 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the Mayor subject to need.

Carried.


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor
per: Doug Robertson, CAO/Clerk