

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

September 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford was held at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 12, 2016.

Chaired by: Mayor David Nash

Members of Council: Deputy Mayor Anne Barr
Councillor Kim Weedmark
Councillor Stephen A. Ireland
Councillor Chuck MacInnis
Councillor David Snowdon

Regrets: Councillor Victor Suthren

Staff in Attendance: Arie Hoogenboom, Interim CAO/Clerk
Sheila Kehoe, Manager of Finance – Treasurer
John Regan

Members of the public were in attendance.

Press in Attendance: None.

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

Additions to the Agenda:

Mayor Nash added notice of a public meeting under environment.

Resolutions:

R-213-16 Moved by K. Weedmark, Seconded by S. Ireland

Be it hereby resolved that: The agenda of the regular council meeting of September 12, 2016 be adopted as amended.

Carried.

Approval of the minutes:

R-214-16 Moved by D. Snowdon, Seconded by A. Barr

Be it hereby resolved that: The minutes of the regular council meeting of August 22, and of the special Council meeting on August 8, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

Delegation:

Melissa Francis, Leeds & Grenville Immigration Partnership.

Ms. Francis attended and advised on the role of her organization to sell Leeds and Grenville as an attractive place to live and invest for immigrants. The program is funding federally and the focus is on attracting skilled workers, immigrant entrepreneurs and international students. She noted in particular Fulford Preparatory College with 47 students and their local economic impact. Various questions responded to.

R-215-16 Moved by K. Weedmark, Seconded by D. Snowdon

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive and acknowledges the delegation from the Leeds & Grenville Immigration Partnership.

Carried.

Public Question Period: None.

Boards and Committees:

Deputy Mayor Barr responded to questions concerning the Strategic Planning minutes. A Survey is being prepared and a large group of volunteers is working on the project including working groups.

Property, Finance and Administration:

The Interim CAO/Clerk noted his report on workplace violence and harassment and the need for a current policy. Questions were responded.

R-216-16 Moved by C. MacInnis, Seconded by S. Ireland

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the report from Arie Hoogenboom, CAO/Clerk, dated August 25th, 2016, and direct staff to prepare a By-Law respecting a workplace violence and harassment policy and that the sections 6.4 to 6.84 of the Village's current personnel policy manual be rescinded.

Carried.

The Treasurer commented on her report respecting the auditors' management letter, noting that tax arrears had already started to come down. It was noted that our new auditors would be providing an annual management letter.

R-217-16 Moved by S. Ireland, Seconded by C. MacInnis

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the report from the municipal auditor CKDM Chartered Professional Accountants regarding the 2015 municipal audit.

Carried.

It was noted that attendance in the 2016 Summer Camp had increased and staff were commended.

R-218-16 Moved by D. Snowdon, Seconded by K. Weedmark

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby receive the report from Tori Bonfield, Director, 2016 Summer Camp.

Carried.

A motion on the Right to a Healthy Environment was presented and discussed and ultimately withdrawn. Council opted to forward the proposed declaration to the Strategic Planning process.

R-219-16 Moved by C. MacInnis, Seconded by S. Ireland

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby refer the declaration of the right to a healthy environment to the Strategic Planning process.

Carried.

Several items taken off the action list and CAO/Clerk to follow-up with specific dates for completion and/or update.

Public Works:

The report from D. Powers on surface treatment was received and noted for information only.

The report from the By-Law Enforcement Officer on exemptions to the Sign By-Law were noted and a combined resolution was presented.

R-220-16 Moved by C. MacInnis, Seconded by K. Weedmark

Be it hereby resolved that: The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby accept the recommendations from Andy Boffee respecting the 2016 Jazz Festival and Artist Guild Tour signage.

Carried.

Environment:

Public meeting on September 21st at the Community Centre announced, regarding the pipeline project. RVCA to be invited as well.

General:

Requests from the developer of Merrickville Estates were received and 3 resolutions presented.

R-221-16 Moved by A. Barr, Seconded by C. MacInnis

Be it hereby resolved that:

WHEREAS the Developer for Merrickville Estates Subdivision has requested the paving of H.F. McLean Road in 2017;
AND WHEREAS Council is prepared to consider this capital request as part of its 2017 budget deliberations,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby direct staff to cost out this work, utilizing both of the options of surface treatment and/or regular asphalt.

Carried.

R-222-16 Moved by D. Snowdon, Seconded by S. Ireland

Be it hereby resolved that:

WHEREAS the Developer for Merrickville Estates Subdivision has requested municipal garbage and recycling pick-up in Merrickville Estates;
AND WHEREAS in 2016, Council determined that it would not be pursuing municipal garbage pick-up in the Worford Ward of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford;
AND WHEREAS the Merrickville contract for residential curbside pick-up expires at the end of 2016 and will need to be retendered prior;

AND WHEREAS the Merrickville Estates can be seen as part of the urban fabric of the Village of Merrickville;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby agree that, effective with the renewal of the next waste and recycling curbside pick-up contract, Merrickville Estates be considered part of the Village for curbside pick-up purposes subject to obtaining feedback from the current residents of Merrickville Estates

Carried.

R-223-16 Moved by S. Ireland, Seconded by C. MacInnis

Be it hereby resolved that:

WHEREAS the Developer for Merrickville Estates Subdivision has requested that work proceed on the planning and development of the future park at block 72 of Phase I, and other green space in Phase II;
AND WHEREAS Council wishes to consider its options for this parkland as part of the 2017 and future municipal budgets,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby agree that the Recreation Advisory Committee review this request and bring forward a development plan and preliminary cost estimates for block 72.

Carried.

Correspondence from Don Halpenny received and CAO/Clerk to advise that the booking system-contact has changed.

By-Laws:

R-224-16 Moved by K. Weedmark, Seconded by D. Snowdon

Be it hereby resolved that: By-Law 20-16, being a By-Law to authorize an amending agreement with Merrickville Estates, be read a first and second time, and that By-Law

20-16 be read a third and final time and passed.

Carried.

R-225-16

Moved by A. Barr, Seconded by C. MacInnis

Be it hereby resolved that: By-Law 21-16, being a By-Law to authorize the execution of a municipal employment contract with John Regan and to appoint John Regan as Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk, be read a first and second time and that By-Law 21-16 be read a third and final time and passed.

Carried.

R-226-16

Moved by C. MacInnis, Seconded by K. Weedmark

Be it hereby resolved that: By-Law 23-16, being a By-Law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Theatre Night in Merrickville for the purpose of a 10-year lease for space at the Merrickville Memorial Community Centre, be read a first and second time and that By-Law 23-16 be read a third and final time and passed.

Carried.

Public/Media Question Period: None.

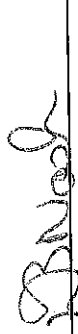
In-Camera: None.

R-227-16


Moved by S. Ireland, Seconded by A. 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 9:15 pm until the regular meeting of council on Monday, September 26, 2016 at 7:00 pm, or until the call of the Mayor subject to need.

Carried.



David Nash, Mayor



Arrie Hoogenboom, Clerk