



**MINUTES OF
COUNCIL MEETING, APRIL 7, 2009**

**CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
60 EAST MAIN STREET**

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:24 p.m. and in open session at 7:34 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Damian Goulbourne in the Chair.

The open meeting commenced with the playing of the National Anthem.

Members Present:

Councillors R. Alakas, D. Alexander, M. Belcastro, F. Campion, P. Chiochio, M. Dzugan, J. Larouche, P. Grenier (6:26 p.m.), R. Letourneau, S. O'Dell, B. Sharpe and L. Van Vliet.

Members of the Staff and Others Present:

City Manager, C. Stirtzinger
Deputy City Clerk, C. Mintoff
Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, D. Prevost
Manager, Engineering, Public Works & Transportation Services/City Engineer, L. Ventresca
Manager, Budgets and Financial Reporting/Deputy Treasurer, K. Douglas
General Manager, Human Resources, R. Mantesso (6:33 p.m.)
General Manager, Parks, Facilities, & Leisure Services, B. Fenwick
Manager, Development Planning & Real Estate, R. DiFelice
Council Clerk, C. Viger (7:34 p.m.)
Manager, Economic Development, D. Degazio (until 8:05 p.m.)

09-25 Moved by Sharpe and Belcastro

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:24 p.m. to consider:

- a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- g) a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act (MFIPPA).

CARRIED

09-25 Moved by Van Vliet and Sharpe

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:27 p.m. without report.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST:

Councillor Belcastro disclosed an interest in Ref. No. 07-88 and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, and refrained from voting thereon, as he is President of the Seaway Mall.

PRESENTATION:

Andrew Shapack, Chief Executive Officer, GT Canada Capital Corporation and Ed Thornley, President of CMD Inc., made a presentation relative to Life Sciences Campus on the Canal.

DELEGATION:

09-28 Wayne Redekop of Jones, Jamieson & Redekop, Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries, addressed Council relative to Niagara Land Trust.

STATUTORY PUBLIC HEARINGS PURSUANT TO THE PLANNING ACT

Councillor Dzugan presided as Chair of the Public Hearing:

07-88 An application has been made by the City of Welland to amend the existing Official Plan to establish a commercial policy framework, policies and mapping for the City.

Councillor Dzugan outlined the procedures of the Public Hearings as required by the *Planning Act*.

R. Di Felice confirmed that the statutory requirements for public hearing had been met, summarized the purpose of the hearing and reviewed the Planning Division Report.

Presenting for the applicant were [Ron Shishido](#) and [Patrick Kennedy](#) from [Dillon Consulting](#) and [Scott Morgan](#) from [W. Scott Morgan and Associates](#).

In support of the application:

- No one spoke to the application.

There being no other supporters to the application the Chair asked for those opposing the application.

In opposition of the application:

- No one spoke to the application.

There being no further opposition to the application the hearing was concluded.

THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE WAS DELETED:

- 09-22** Report from Gen. Mgr., Engineering, Public Works & Transp. Serv./City Engineer S. Iannello – Aqueduct Street, Chippawa Street and Smith Street – Community Safety Zones and Speed Humps.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED:**99-90**

09-4 Greg D'Amico, Chair, Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area Board requesting approval of its proposed 2009 budget.

01-35 A By-law to amend By-law 2009-17, being a By-law to authorize expenditure for the acquisition of block 10, Plan 59M- (Niagara Centre Subdivision) for highway widening purposes to be funded by municipal debenture.

06-132Z Notice of Motion – Councillor Campion – Stopping up and closing Colbeck Drive, south of Webber Road.

06-84 Gen. Mgr., Parks, Facilities and Leisure Services, B. Fenwick – Welland Community Wellness Complex.

07-88 Gen. Mgr., Planning and Development, D. Thorpe – Application for Official Plan Amendment – Commercial Policies.

08-29 Ad Hoc Committee report.

08-29 Acting City Clerk, B. Nistico-Dunk – Recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee – Council's Schedule of Meetings and Committee Structure.

08-95

09-4 Deanna Villella, Chair, North Welland Business Improvement Area Association requesting approval of its proposed 2009 budget.

08-119 Gen. Mgr., Engineering, Public Works & Transp. Serv./City Engineer S. Iannello – Bicycle Lanes with the City of Welland.

09-1 A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 7th day of April, 2009.

09-15 Chief, Fire and Emergency Services, D. Prevost – Fire Apparatus Replacement Plan and Standards.

09-21 Ken Hancock – requesting permission to hold the ***“Annual Niagara Region Walk Against Male Violence”*** to be held on May 5, 2009.

09-21 Sara Belanger, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario – requesting permission to hold its annual ***“Heart & Stroke Big Bike”*** event on April 28, 2009.

09-21 Jessica Cook, Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Ontario Division – requesting permission to hold its ***“2009 Welland MS Walk”*** event on April 19, 2009.

09-22 Gen. Mgr., Engineering, Public Works & Transp. Serv./City Engineer S. Iannello – Aqueduct Street, Chippawa Street and Smith Street – Community Safety Zones and Speed Humps.

09-28 Wayne Redekop, Jones, Jamieson & Redekop re: Niagara Land Trust.

09-51 A By-law to authorize the entering into a contract with A & G The Road Cleaners Limited for Street Sweeping Rentals.

09-79 Andrew Shapack, Chief Executive Officer, GT Canada Capital Corporation re: Life Sciences Campus on the Canal.

09-1 Moved by Dzugan and Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meetings of February 24, 2009, March 3, 2009, March 10, 2009, and March 24, 2009, as circulated.

CARRIED

99-90

09-4 Moved by Van Vliet and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the 2009 budget from the Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area Board as recommended by their board in the amount of \$82,250; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the General Manager, Financial and Corporate Services/Treasurer to make arrangements to levy an amount of \$82,250 against the business operations within the defined area on condition that the required financial statements are submitted to the satisfaction of the City Treasurer.

CARRIED

06-84 Moved by Alexander and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to form a Project Implementation Team to guide the Welland Community Wellness Complex project; and further

THAT Welland City Council endorses the recommendations from the Rose City Seniors' Activity Centre Feasibility Study Steering Committee as detailed in Report PF&LS-2009-02; and further

THAT Welland City Council direct staff to prepare and issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) in accordance with the Corporate Purchasing Policy (FIN-002-0003) for Project Management Services to plan, direct and coordinate the construction of the Welland Community Wellness Complex from conceptual stage to final construction; and further

THAT Welland City Council direct staff to prepare and issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) in accordance with the Purchasing Policy (FIN-002-0003) for the design and construction of the Welland Community Wellness Complex.

CARRIED

06-132Z Moved by Campion and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to prepare a report identifying alternatives to stopping up and closing Colbeck Drive, south of Webber Road as is proposed in Report PDS-2007-56 in Condition number 24.

CARRIED

07-88 Moved by Campion and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives Report PDS-2009-22 – Application for Official Plan Amendment – Commercial Policies for information purposes.

CARRIED

08-29 Moved by Van Vliet and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee as presented in Report CLS-2009-01; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to implement the changes to Council's schedule of meetings and committee structure and that this come into effect in May 2009; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to amend By-law 2007-178 Council's Procedures to reflect these changes.

CARRIED

08-95

09-4 Moved by Van Vliet and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the 2009 budget from the North Welland Business Improvement Area Board as recommend by their board in the amount of \$33,000.; and further THAT Welland City Council authorizes the General Manager, Financial and Corporate Services/Treasurer to make arrangements to levy an amount of \$33,000. against the business operations within the defined area on condition that the required financial statements are submitted to the satisfaction of the City Treasurer.

CARRIED

08-119 Moved by Larouche and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information REPORT TRAF-2009-06 Bicycle Lanes within the City of Welland.

CARRIED

09-15 Moved by Grenier and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report F&ES-2009-01 Fire Apparatus Replacement Plan and Standards including the proposed apparatus replacement working plan and financing schedule; and further

THAT Welland City Council adopts the proposed Service Life of Fire Apparatus policy as attached to this report; and further

THAT Welland City Council adopts the proposed Purchasing, Refurbishment and Maintenance of Fire Apparatus policy as attached to this report; and further

THAT Welland City Council adopts the proposed work plan contained in this report as the budgeting basis for replacement or purchase of Fire & Emergency Service vehicles, subject to the provisions of the above proposed policies and subject to annual budget estimated approvals by Council.

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09-15 Moved by Campion and Sharpe

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND refers the matter regarding Report F&ES-2009-01, Fire Apparatus Replacement Plan and Standards, to a future meeting, following approval of the 2009 Operating and Capital Enterprise Budgets.

CARRIED

09-21 Moved by Larouche and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the application of the "**Annual Niagara Region Walk Against Male Violence**" to be held on May 5, 2009 subject to the applicant's completion of all conditions of the Policy of Road Use for Community Activities.

CARRIED

09-21 Moved by Larouche and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the application of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario to hold its annual "**Heart & Stroke Big Bike**" event on April 28, 2009 subject to the applicant's completion of all conditions of the Policy of Road Use for Community Activities.

CARRIED

09-21 Moved by Larouche and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the application of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada to hold its "**2009 Welland MS Walk**" event on April 19, 2009 subject to the applicant's completion of all conditions of the Policy of Road Use for Community Activities.

CARRIED

09-28 Moved by Grenier and Letourneau
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Wayne H. Redekop of Jones, Jamieson & Redekop, Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries, relative to Niagara Land Trust.

CARRIED

09-79 Moved by Chiocchio and Larouche
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Andrew Shapack, Chief Executive Officer, GT Canada Capital Corporation and Ed Thornley, President of CMD Inc., relative to the Life Sciences Campus on the Canal.

CARRIED

09-79 Moved by Alexander and Belcastro
 THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Economic Development Officer in conjunction with GT Canada Capital Corporation to explore opportunities to facilitate the development of a medical centre envisioned for the Life Sciences Campus on the Canal in the City of Welland.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

BY-LAWS PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING:

1. Moved by Larouche and Grenier
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND now gives leave to introduce the following proposed By-laws entitled:

09-51

BYL 2009 - 38

A By-law to authorize the entering into a contract with A & G The Road Cleaners Limited for Street Sweeping Rentals.

01-35

BYL 2009 - 39

A By-law to amend By-law 2009-17, being a By-law to authorize expenditure for the acquisition of block 10, Plan 59M- (Niagara Centre Subdivision) for highway widening purposes to be funded by municipal debenture.

09-4

BYL 2009 - 40

A By-law to adopt the 2009 Capital and Operating Budgets.

09-1

BYL 2009 - 41

A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 7th day of April, 2009.

And that same be now read a first time.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS PRESENTED FOR SECOND AND THIRD READING:

2. Moved by Larouche and Grenier
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having read a first time and considered the By-laws listed in the foregoing motion and, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, be now read a second and third time and do pass, and the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal same.

CARRIED

09-25 Moved by Grenier and Dzugan
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 10:01 p.m. to consider:

- a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- g) a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act (MFIPPA).

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Craig Stirtzinger, City Manager, as Acting City Clerk in the absence of the City Clerk during Committee-of-the-Whole discussions on a personal matter.

CARRIED

09-25 Moved by Larouche and Letourneau
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 11:00 p.m. without report

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION**

In accordance with By-law 2007-178 passed on November 27, 2007, Councillor(s) must submit their NOTICE OF MOTION(s) in writing no later than Wednesday, April 15, 2009 for inclusion on the next regular Council meeting agenda of April 21, 2009.

Council adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

These Minutes approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 21st day of April, 2009.

MAYOR

ACTING CITY CLERK