



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
April 25, 2023

PRESENT: Narry Paquette, Chair Donna Clark
Jason Corbett Steve Featherstone
Dan MacInnis

STAFF PRESENT: Andrée Gagné, Deputy Clerk
Ann Carr, Public Works Manager
Nicky Kunkel, CAO - Clerk

No. 1
Moved by Councillor Clark Seconded by Councillor Corbett
THAT this meeting be opened at 7:00 p.m.
Carried Narry Paquette

No. 2
Moved by Councillor Corbett Seconded by Councillor Clark
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 11th, 2023, be adopted as
circulated.
Carried Narry Paquette

No. 3
Moved by Councillor Clark Seconded by Councillor Corbett
WHEREAS Council deems it necessary and expedient to pass three readings of the following
by-law at this session; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a by-law to appoint Nicole
Kunkel as CAO for the Township of Bonfield BE READ a first, second and third time,
PASSED AND NUMBERED 2023-17; AND THAT the said by-law be signed by the Mayor
and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-Law Book.
Carried Narry Paquette

No. 4
Moved by Councillor Corbett Seconded by Councillor Clark
THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Township of Bonfield as indicated in the
disbursement report dated April 25th, 2023, in the amount of \$119,957.83.
Carried Narry Paquette

No. 5
Moved by Councillor Featherstone Seconded by Councillor MacInnis
THAT Council supports Cogeco's CRTC proposal to bring fibre services to key anchor
institutions; AND THAT Staff prepare a letter of support.
Carried Narry Paquette

No. 6

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT Council declares “Big Country Rock Dance Party” being held on May 6, 2023 as a “one-time municipally significant event”; AND THAT the organizers must provide a certificate of insurance proving adequate liability insurance with the Township listed as an additional insured on the policy for the event; AND THAT the organizers enter into an agreement with the Township indicating that the event will have security and appropriately trained staff and will follow the Township of Bonfield Municipal Alcohol Policy; AND THAT a letter of support will only be issued once all conditions have been satisfied.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 7

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

That Council supports the resolution of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent advocating the Province of Ontario in reducing Municipal insurance costs; AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the AMO, Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Steve Clark, Attorney General, Doug Downey, MPP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, Rick Byers, Premier Doug Ford, and MPP Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party and Leader of the Opposition.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 8

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

That Council supports the resolution of the County of Northumberland call to action on Housing and Homelessness; AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Steve Clark (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing), the Honourable Michael Parsa (Minister of Children, Community and Social Services), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South), Vic Fedeli MPP, District of Nipissing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and to all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 9

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

That Council supports the resolution of the City of Stratford on the use of long-term care funding to support community care services; AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), Vic Fedeli MPP, District of Nipissing, Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 10

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

That Council supports the resolution of the Town of Essex on the reinstatement of legislation permitting a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales; AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, Vic Fedeli MPP District of Nipissing, Association of the Municipalities of Ontario and all other municipalities in Ontario.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 11

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

That Council supports the FONOM's bail reform resolution; AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, Federal Justice Minister, Premier of Ontario, The Attorney General, the Solicitor General, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Northeastern MPs and MPPs, Leaders of the Opposition, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 12

Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by Councillor Clark

That Council supports the resolution from the Township of South Glengarry asking the Province to lift the moratorium on pupil accommodation reviews (and school closures) prior to the end of the 2022-2023 school year; AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier, the Minister of Education, MPP Nolan Quinn, AMO, ROMA, EOWC and all Ontario municipalities and Vic Fedeli MPP, District of Nipissing,

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 13

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

That Council supports the resolution from the Township of Chisholm regarding options for consultation from the Communities that feed into Ecole élémentaire catholique Saint Thomas d'Aquin due to increased enrollment; AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to neighbouring municipalities who have students that could feed into école élémentaire catholique Saint Thomas d'Aquin and the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Franco Nord.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 14

Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by Councillor Clark

WHEREAS the Public Works Committee recommended to Council to purchase recycling bins for the residents of Bonfield to purchase at the landfill for cost; AND WHEREAS the Council deferred the recommendation and directed the Public Works Manager to analyze the cost of each bin through the use of Municipal buying power to achieve the cheapest rate available to the resident; AND WHEREAS the Public Works Manager investigated the ability to purchase through Nova Products, who can provide Municipal pricing through the Continuous Improvement Fund (CIF), NOW THEREFORE IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council purchase 450 x 22-gallon bins from Nova Products and to sell them to our residents at the landfill and municipal office for cost.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 15

Moved by Councillor MacInnis

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT the Meeting of Council hereby proceeds to closed session in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, at 7:42 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 16

Moved by Councillor MacInnis

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT the Meeting of Council resumes open session at 9:07 p.m.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 17

Moved by Councillor MacInnis

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

WHEREAS Council deems it expedient to pass three readings of the following by-law at this session; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council from April 11th, 2023 to April 25th, 2023; BE READ a first, second and third time, PASSED AND NUMBERED 2023-16; AND THAT the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-Law Book.

Carried Narry Paquette

No. 18

Moved by Councillor MacInnis

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Carried Narry Paquette

MAYOR

CLERK