



Council in Brief

September 11, 2023 16th Session of Council

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Public Meetings

Loyalist Club Estates Phase 11

A public meeting was held in accordance with the provision of Section 34(12) of the Planning Act, to consider an amendment to the Loyalist Township Zoning By-Law and for a redline amendment to the Draft Plan of Subdivision. Council adopted By-Law 2023-059 being a by-law to rezone the property found in parts of Lots 8, 9 and 10, Concession 1, former Village of Bath, now Loyalist Township from the Open Space (OS) Zone to the Residential Type Two Exception Fifteen Holding (R2-15-H) Zone; and approved the Redline Amendment to Loyalist Country Club Estates Loyalist North Draft Plan of Subdivision (D12-010) in accordance with Attachment 1; and that the draft plan condition No.1 for Draft Plan of Subdivision file D12-010 be revised.

1197 Rees Road, Odessa, Ontario

A public meeting was held in accordance with the provisions of Section 34(12) of the Planning Act, to consider an amendment to the Township Zoning By-law. Council adopted By-law No. 2023-058, being a by-law to amend the Rural (RU) Zone to the Rural Exception Seventeen (RU-17) Zone to permit a secondary unit in a detached accessory building and to increase the height of an accessory building.

Delegations/ Presentations

Chris Carrier of Fire Marque provided a presentation to Council. Fire Marque Inc. is a Canadian company that works with municipalities across Canada to recover from insurance companies some of the costs fire departments incur while fighting fires or dealing with other insured emergencies impacting property. ([Fire Marque Report](#))

Meeting Schedules and Office Closures 2024

Council received the Meeting Schedule and Office Closures for 2024 and adopted the following changes in meetings for 2024: That the Second Council meetings in January, July, August and December be cancelled. Please note meeting dates/times are subject to change. For updated information please refer to the Meeting Schedule [Council Portal](#), or [subscribe](#) to receive notice of published agendas or call the Clerks' Division.

Statement of Development Charges Reserve Fund Balance as at December 31, 2022

Council received the Statement of Development Charges Reserve Fund Balance as at December 31, 2022 for information.

2024 Preliminary Budget Information and Timelines

Council approved the following Committee of the Whole meeting dates for the 2024 budget presentations and deliberations: November 30, December 4, December 7, 2023 and further dates as necessary.

Housing Accelerator Fund Application

Council directed staff to update the Housing Accelerator Fund application to replace the “Implementation of Growth Related Infrastructure” initiative with a new “Declaration and Sale of Surplus Lands for Housing Purposes” initiative, resulting in the same total funding request.

Recreation Partnership Agreements

Council received the Recreation Partnership Agreements report and directed staff to negotiate partnership agreements with the organizations outlined in the report; and that staff be authorized to continue to develop further recreation and leisure partnerships to complement and enhance existing programs; and that Council delegated authority to the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the necessary agreements.

Xplore Inc. Municipal Access Agreement for Fibre-optic Installation

Council directed staff to enter into a municipal access agreement with Xplore Inc. stating the terms and conditions for the construction, operation and maintenance of its telecommunications equipment located within Township road rights-of-way; and that By-law 2023-061 being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the agreement.

Connecting Links Funding Agreement

Council adopted By-law 2023-060 authorizing the execution of the Connecting Links Program funding agreement of \$317,491. The Township must enter into a funding agreement with the Province of Ontario to access the funding.

Green and Inclusive Community Building Grant Agreement

Council received the report and authorized the Township to cash manage any shortfalls associated with unsuccessful funding applications or partnerships identified in the agreement between Loyalist Township and Infrastructure Canada as part of the Green and Inclusive Community Building program.

Fairfield-Gutzeit House Refurbishment - Project Update and Pre-budget Approval

Council received the report and authorized additional pre-budget approval for 2024 in the amount of \$878,421 for a total 2024 pre-budget approval of \$1,164,021; and that staff submit an application for grant funding for the Fairfield-Gutzeit House Rehabilitation through the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund; and that Council authorized the CAO to be the signing authority for the application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund.

Status of Water and Sewage Uncommitted Reserve Capacity

This report was deferred until the next Council meeting as additional information was received since publishing the Agenda.

Fire Marque

Council received the report and authorized staff to enter into an agreement with Fire Marque Inc. to recover costs specific to Fire Departments response.

Communication for Consideration

Council received the communication from David Afras regarding the request for endorsement re: First Anniversary of the Iranian People's Uprising for Freedom for information.

By-laws

Council adopted By-law 2023-040 being a by-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and By-law 2023-062 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Collective Agreement between the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) and its Local 2150 and the Township.

Reports for Information

- Tax Write-offs and Other Adjustments
- Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations - Proposed Federal Regulatory Changes for Wastewater System Owners and Operators
- Fairfield DWS - MECP 2023/24 Compliance Inspection Report

Upcoming Meeting Dates

2023-09-14 6:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole – Infrastructure Master Plan Presentation
2023-09-25 7:00 p.m. Regular Council
2023-10-02 6:00 p.m. Committee of Adjustment
2023-10-02 6:30 p.m. Committee of the Whole
2023-10-10 7:00 p.m. Regular Council
2023-10-23 7:00 p.m. Regular Council

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