

TOWN OF PETAWAWA

COUNCIL-IN-COMMITTEE

Present: **Mayor Bob Sweet** **Deputy Mayor Gary Serviss**
 Councillor James Carmody **Councillor Matthew McLean**
 Councillor Tom Mohns **Councillor Murray Rutz**
 Councillor Theresa Sabourin

Also Present: **Daniel Scissons** **Dawn Recoskie**
 Karen Cronier **David Unrau**
 David Priebe **Karl Green**
 Patricia Leboeuf **Kyle Robinson**

The Council-in-Committee meeting was opened by the Mayor at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Bob Sweet outlined a letter of correspondence from the Ministry of Finance indicating the Town of Petawawa will receive an interim Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund payment of \$117,100.00, while the Province is reviewing allocations for all municipalities.

Mayor Sweet also referred to a media release from the Province which re-confirmed the Town will receive \$499,500.00 in financial support through the Community Transportation Grant Program. The funds will be used in partnership with Carefor Health and Community Services to develop a door to door transportation service to meet the needs of daily living and community inclusion for vulnerable sector residents.

Mayor Sweet encouraged all members of Council to attend the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities Conference May 1 to 3, 2019 which will be held at the Best Western Pembroke Inn.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Monthly Report – January 2019

David Unrau, Director of Public Works, provided an overview of the monthly report. Mr. Unrau reported he is awaiting 2019 budget approval prior to tendering capital projects in February. Regarding the Biosolids Optimization Study, the feedstock is currently being evaluated. An application will be submitted to the

Federation of Canadian Municipalities as part of a feasibility study and pilot program to improve active transportation infrastructure around St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School and Valour JK-12 School.

MOVED BY: Murray Rutz
SECONDED BY: Theresa Sabourin

That the Public Works monthly report for January be accepted as information.

CARRIED

2. Operations Activity Report – December 2018

David Unrau provided an overview of the monthly report. Mr. Unrau reported snow plowing was conducted five times, sanding/salting was conducted eleven times during December, and all fire hydrants were cleared of snow. Some vehicles have been towed which were parked contrary to winter parking restrictions and warnings have also been issued.

MOVED BY: James Carmody
SECONDED BY: Gary Serviss

That the Operations monthly report for December be accepted as information.

CARRIED

3. Water and Wastewater Monthly Reports – November & December 2018

David Unrau provided an overview of the reports submitted by OCWA. Mr. Unrau highlighted the compliance of both legislative and health and safety regulations noted in both reports.

MOVED BY: Murray Rutz
SECONDED BY: James Carmody

That the Water and Wastewater monthly reports for November and December be accepted as information.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Activity Report – December 2018

Karen Cronier, Director of Planning and Development, provided an overview of the monthly report. Ms. Cronier reported a meeting has been scheduled with the County's Development and Property Department regarding the consolidated Zoning By-law review. The second dwelling unit by-law was adopted and two zoning by-law amendment applications were received. Ms. Cronier further reported the

emergency planning annual compliance documents were submitted to the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management.

MOVED BY: Theresa Sabourin
SECONDED BY: Gary Serviss

That the Planning and Development monthly report for December be accepted as information.

CARRIED

2. Building Activity Report – December 2018

Karen Cronier presented the Building monthly report for December.

MOVED BY: James Carmody
SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That the Building monthly report for December be accepted as information.

CARRIED

3. PL-02-19 – Request for Extension to Draft Plan Approval, Portage Landing Subdivision File 47-T-12001, Part Lots 17, 18 & 19, Concession 8

Karen Cronier provided an overview of the report.

MOVED BY: James Carmody
SECONDED BY: Tom Mohns

That Council supports the extension of Draft Approval for the Portage Landing Subdivision.

CARRIED

4. PL-03-19 – 1067175 Ontario Inc., Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control, Block 54, Plan 49M-89, Chad Street

Karen Cronier presented the report. Ms. Cronier reported the lifting of part lot control on the subject lands will enable the division of land to create parcels conveyable as separate ownerships for six townhouses.

MOVED BY: Tom Mohns
SECONDED BY: Theresa Sabourin

That Council enacts a part lot control exemption by-law with respect to Block 54 of Plan 49M-89, to expire two years from the date of its passing.

CARRIED

5. PL-04-19 – Consent Application, Lila Priebe, Part of Lot 16, Concession 2, Priebe Road & Pitzner Road

Karen Cronier provided an overview of the report. Ms. Cronier explained the purpose and effect of the application is to sever a 19.2 ha parcel of land, owned by Lila Priebe to be added to an adjacent 0.48 ha residential lot owned by Mrs. Priebe's son and daughter-in-law.

MOVED BY: James Carmody
SECONDED BY: Gary Serviss

That Council supports the granting of the lot addition under File B87/18 on the following conditions:

- 1) That a one foot road widening be conveyed to the abutting road allowance fronting on Priebe Road in order that the lot addition and the severed lands will be merged in title. The cost of the survey and legal fees as well as any other costs associated with the creation of and registration of the road widening is the responsibility of the applicant.
- 2) That the retained lands be rezoned from Rural (RU) to Residential One (R1).

CARRIED

6. PL-05-19 – Zoning By-law Amendment, 2580819 Ontario Ltd. (Nieman), Part of Lot 21, Concession 3, Doran Road

Karen Cronier provided an overview of the report. Ms. Cronier explained the purpose and effect of the zoning by-law amendment is to rezone the severed lands in Files B30/18 and B31/18 from Rural (RU) to Residential One (R1) as a condition of consent. All other provisions of the Zoning By-law would apply.

A public meeting has been scheduled for February 4, 2019. The report was received for information.

7. PL-06-19 – Zoning By-law Amendment, Allan & Nora Stewart, Part of Lots 3 & 4, Lake Range, River Drive

Karen Cronier presented the report. Ms. Cronier explained the purpose and effect of the zoning by-law amendment is to rezone the severed lands in File B27/18 from Rural (RU) to Residential One (R1) as a condition of consent. All other provisions of the Zoning By-law would apply.

A public meeting has been scheduled for February 19, 2019. The report was received for information.

8. PL-07-19 – Update to Site Plan Approval, Poirier Carwash, 561505 Ontario Ltd., 3203 Petawawa Boulevard, Part of Lot 22, Concession 7

Karen Cronier provided an overview of the report. Ms. Cronier explained the 2015 version of the site plan has been updated as presented in the report. A development

agreement will be brought forward at a future meeting so that a building permit can be issued and construction can begin on the carwash site.

The report was received for information.

9. ADMIN-05-2019 – Tree Canopy Policy

Dawn Recoskie, Deputy Clerk, provided an overview of the report. Ms. Recoskie explained Section 270 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* was amended by Bill 68, *Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017*, to require municipalities to adopt and maintain a policy with respect to the manner in which the municipality will protect and enhance the tree canopy and natural vegetation in the municipality by March 1, 2019. A draft Tree Canopy Policy was provided for Council's review.

MOVED BY: Theresa Sabourin

SECONDED BY: James Carmody

That a by-law be prepared to adopt Section 18.2 (25) of the Official Plan as the Tree Canopy Policy for the Town of Petawawa, with the by-law coming into effect on March 1, 2019.

CARRIED

GENERAL MATTERS

1. Notice of Motion – Cannabis – Amended – Councillor James Carmody

MOVED BY: James Carmody

SECONDED BY: Matthew McLean

That the Notice of Motion presented at the January 21, 2018 Council meeting, be brought forward for discussion and debate.

CARRIED

Councillor James Carmody presented his amended motion, requesting that the Province of Ontario consider amending the cannabis legislation in December 2019, to Council-in-Committee for discussion and debate.

Councillor Carmody outlined his concerns regarding the provincial cannabis legislation. He suggested municipalities should be able to use their official plans and zoning by-laws to introduce site specific zoning for cannabis retail stores and to also control the density of the stores. The minimum buffer of 150 metres between cannabis retail stores and schools, should be expanded to include all places where children gather. Municipalities should be notified directly when a cannabis retail store application has been submitted to the AGCO for its municipality and an appeal process should also be implemented.

Members of Council-in-Committee concurred with Councillor Carmody's concerns regarding the provincial cannabis legislation.

MOVED BY: James Carmody
SECONDED BY: Matthew McLean

WHEREAS on October 17, 2018 the Federal Government's *Cannabis Act S.C. 2018, c. 16*, created a strict legal framework for controlling the production, distribution, sale and possession of cannabis across Canada;

AND WHEREAS the *Act's* aim was to accomplish three (3) goals:

- Keep cannabis out of the hands of youth;
- Keep profits out of the pockets of criminals; and
- Protect public health and safety by allowing adults access to legal cannabis.

AND WHEREAS the *Act* authorized provinces and territories to develop, implement, maintain and enforce systems to oversee the distribution and sale of cannabis;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Government adopted the *Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act, 2018* on October 17, 2018 to allow private cannabis retail stores;

AND WHEREAS the province has adopted the following three main pieces of legislation pertaining to the legalization of cannabis:

- *Cannabis Control Act, 2017, S.O. 2017, c. 26, Sched. 1;*
- *Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation Act, 2017, S.O. 2017, c. 26, Sched. 2;* and
- *Cannabis Licence Act, 2018, S.O. 2018, c. 12, Sched. 2.*

AND WHEREAS the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) is the provincial regulator authorized to grant private cannabis retail store licences;

AND WHEREAS only 25 private cannabis retail store licences will be issued to municipalities with a population of 50,000 or more for 2019;

AND WHEREAS the province will revisit the issuance of private cannabis retail store licences and decide on next steps following December 13, 2019;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa encourages the Province of Ontario to consider the following amendments when revisiting the legislation in December 2019:

- Private cannabis retailers should not be exempt from municipal business licensing and land use planning. Municipal Official Plans and Zoning By-laws should have the latitude to introduce site specific zoning for cannabis retail stores and control the density of cannabis retail stores within the municipal boundaries.

- The minimum distance of 150 metres between cannabis retail stores and schools, should be expanded to include places where children gather such as: community centres, recreational facilities, playgrounds, libraries, child care centres or where an early years program is provided, as well as hospitals (public/private), psychiatric facilities, long-term care homes, independent health facilities, and residential hospices.
- Municipalities should be notified when a cannabis retail store application has been submitted to the AGCO for its municipality. The onus should be on the AGCO to notify the municipality, such as is done by municipalities with planning matters under the *Planning Act*; the municipality shouldn't have to access the AGCO's website daily to search for applications.
- An appeal process should be implemented when the AGCO makes a decision on a cannabis retail store licence. Currently there is no appeal available to municipalities if it does not agree with the decision of the AGCO.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, MPP John Yakabuski, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the County of Renfrew and all of its lower-tier municipalities, and the City of Pembroke for their consideration and support.

CARRIED

2. ADMIN-06-2019 – Council Pregnancy and Parental Leave Policy

Dawn Recoskie, Deputy Clerk, provided an overview of the report. Ms. Recoskie explained Section 270 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* was amended by Bill 68, *Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017*, to require municipalities to adopt and maintain a policy with respect to pregnancy and parental leaves of members of Council by March 1, 2019. A draft Council Pregnancy and Parental leave Policy was provided for Council's review.

MOVED BY: Theresa Sabourin

SECONDED BY: James Carmody

That the draft Council Pregnancy and Parental Leave Policy be approved as presented, and that a by-law be brought forward to the next Council meeting to formally endorse the policy, with the by-law coming into effect on March 1, 2019.

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING

There was no closed meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: Matthew McLean
SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. C. [unclear]", written over a horizontal line.

Clerk