

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCE REGULAR MEETING

Minutes February 8, 2022 6:45 p.m Community Hall and Zoom

Present: Council: K. Lamming, E. Caputo, I. Chambers, M. Matthews, E. Palumbo (virtual)

Staff: M.L. Duguay, Public: M. LaHaye

- 1. Call to Order 6:45 p.m.
- 2. Approve Agenda

Resolution 2022-14

Moved by: Councillor I. Chambers Seconded by: Councillor M. Matthews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP hereby approves the agenda of February 8, 2022 and any addendums, as presented. CARRIED

- 3. Disclosure of interest- I. Chambers Item 13 c) Internet
- 4. Minutes of Previous meeting
 - a) Minutes of Regular meeting Jan. 11, 2022 and Special meeting, Jan. 31, 2022.

Resolution 2022-15

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Caputo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP approves the minutes of the Regular meeting of Jan. 11, 2022 and Special meeting of Jan. 31, 2022, as presented/amended. CARRIED

- 5. Questions and information arising out of the minutes. -NONE
- 6. Petition and delegations- NONE
- 7. Staff Reports
 - a) Fire Chief report

Resolution 2022-16

Moved by: Councillor I. Chambers Seconded by: Councillor M. Matthews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP accepts the Fire Chief's report dated Feb. 4, 2022 as information. CARRIED

b) Clerk's Revenue and Expenditure Reports for January 2022.

Resolution 2022-17

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor I. Chambers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP approve the revenue and expenditure report for January 2022. Expenses \$134,193.32 Revenue \$193,984.02. CARRIED

c) CAO/Clerk/Treasurer's Report – Covid Stream Funding and projects

Resolution 2022-18

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor I. Chambers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP accept the CAO/Clerk/Treasurer's report on the ICIP Covid Funding as amended. CARRIED

8. Planning

- 9. By-laws
- 10. Motions and notice of motions
- 11. Correspondence
 - a) GFL New Cart Recycling Program material information
 - b) Ministry of Senior's Affairs and Accessibility Inclusive Community Grant
 - c) Streetlight Information
- 12. Minutes of Boards and Committees

Resolution 2022-19

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Caputo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP hereby approves the minutes of the following meetings as presented/amended:

- a) Committee of Adjustment meeting Dec. 14, 2021
- b) Heritage Committee/Museum Board meeting Jan. 18, 2022, CARRIED
- 13. New Business
 - a) Municipal Solutions at Food Cycle Science

Resolution 2022-20

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Palumbo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP hereby approves contacting Municipal Solutions at Food Cycle Science to gather more information on their program. DEFEATED

b) Heritage Committee Concerns

Resolution 2022-21

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Palumbo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP agrees to use the main hall for Council meetings. DEFFERED

c) Internet

Resolution 2022-22

Moved by: Councillor E. Caputo Seconded by: Councillor M. Matthews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP agrees to continue internet service through Starlink and to purchase the needed network upgrades from Algoma Business Computers at a cost of \$2749.92. CARRIED

d) 2022 Municipal Insurance Renewal and Comparison

Resolution 2022-23

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Palumbo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP accepts the 2022 Insurance Proposal from Algoma Insurance as presented, total cost \$54,642.92. CARRIED

e) Conservation Authority - Council representative change.

Resolution 2022-23A

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Palumbo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP approves the change of Council representatives as follows:

Councillor Enzo Palumbo to take over Parent/Child Centre council representative role and Councillor Mike Matthews to take over as Conservation Authority representative. CARRIED

f) User Fees 2022

Resolution 2022-23B

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor I. Chambers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP approve the changes to the user fee Schedule for 2022 – excluding marina fees. CARRIED

- g) Resolutions of support
 - a) AMCTO Joint and Several Liability

Resolution 2022-24

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Caputo

WHEREAS for years, AMCTO and other municipal associations and stakeholders have advocated for Joint and Several liability reform with successive provincial governments; and

WHEREAS in 2018 the Ford Government announced a consultation and review of Joint and Several and the sector has eagerly been awaiting a response from the Ministry of the Attorney General; and

WHEREAS as outlined in AMCTO's local government priorities document, the need for reform is particularly necessary now given the impact Joint and Several Liability has had on increasing municipal insurance premiums – costs ultimately carried by the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS there is a short window of opportunity to encourage movement on this issue as there are only a few months left in this government's mandate:

THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP supports AMCTO and calls on the Attorney General to support the following recommendations:

- 1. The provincial government adopt a model of full proportionate liability to replace joint and several liability.
- 2. Implement enhancements to the existing limitations period including the continued applicability of the existing 10 day rule on slip and fall cases given recent judicial interpretations, and whether a 1-year limitation period may be beneficial.
- 3. Implement a cap for economic loss awards.
- 4. Increase the catastrophic impairment default benefit limit to \$2 million and increase the third-part liability coverage to \$2 million in government regulated automobile insurance plans.
- 5. Assess and implement additional measures which would support lower premiums or alternatives to the provision of insurance services by other entities such as non-profit insurance reciprocals.
- 6. Compel the insurance industry to supply all necessary financial evidence including premiums, claims and the deductible limit changes which support its rates, and municipal arguments as to the fiscal impact of joint and several liability.
- 7. Establish a provincial and municipal working group to consider the above and put forward recommendations to the Attorney General.

b) Brantford - Closing the Revolving Door of Justice

Resolution 2022-25 Moved by: I. Chambers

Seconded by: M. Matthews

WHEREAS cities and towns in Ontario have experienced a substantial increase in criminal activity leaving residents fearful for their personal safety and losing confidence in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS the increase in criminal activity is due in part to the failure of the justice system to hold in pre-trial custody many of the likely-to-reoffend individuals, including those who are in serious breach of prior bail conditions, a situation commonly referred to as the "revolving door of justice"; and

WHEREAS those involved in the justice system, from Justices of the Peace to those who have been arrested, acknowledge the "catch and release" bail system contributes to the increase in crime. One individual in particular, who plead guilty to several break and enter charges, together with breaches of probation and release order charges, advised the court during sentencing that he had been arrested 8 times in the previous year and felt that the system bore responsibility for failing to keep him in custody; and that being released repeatedly without the appropriate supports made it all but impossible for him to discontinue the criminal activity he engaged in; and

WHEREAS concerns continue to be raised by businesses, post-secondary institutions, neighbourhood associations, and citizens regarding the increased criminal activity; and

WHEREAS there is a pressing need for common sense bail reform that gives priority to the dignity and safety of victims over the wellbeing of criminals.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP support the City of Brantford by forwarding this resolution to the Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, insisting that steps be taken immediately by his government to strengthen the bail system, including:

- i. imposing more demanding and stringent surety and supervision requirements; and
- ii. imposing more substantive and effective consequences for continued breaches of a judicial interim release order (as known as "bail") resulting in pre-trial incarceration, which changes are required to safeguard law

abiding citizens and to restore the citizens faith in the criminal justice system; and

- B. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to The local Member of Parliament and Member of Provincial Parliament, and
- C. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to the Sault Ste. Marie Police Services, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
- D. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to the heads of all Ontario Municipalities with a request that those municipalities consider adopting a similar resolution. CARRIED

h) Multi-Municipal wind turbine group invitation

Resolution 2022-28

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Palumbo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP hereby approves joining the Multi-Municipal Wind Turbine Working Group - DEFEATED

14. Old Business - discussion

15. Confirmatory By-law

Resolution 2022-26

Moved by: Councillor M. Matthews Seconded by: Councillor E. Caputo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP adopts By-Law 2022-4B being a by-law to adopt, ratify, and confirm the action of Council for February 8, 2022. CARRIED

16. Adjournment

Resolution 2022-27

Moved by: Councillor M. Mathews

Seconded by: Councillor E. Caputo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF PRINCE TOWNSHIP adjourns at 8:18 p.m. until March 8, 2022, or the call of the chair. CARRIED

Ken Lamming, Mayor

Mary Lynn Duguay, CAD/Clerk/Treasurer