



MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 25, 2020

The Town of Halton Hills Council met this 25th day of May, 2020 in the Council Chambers, Halton Hills Town Hall, commencing at 4:00 p.m., with Mayor R. Bonnette in the Chair and reconvened into Open Session at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor R. Bonnette,
(EP-Electronic Participation) Councillor C. Somerville (EP), Councillor J. Fogal (arrived 4:50 p.m.)(EP),
Councillor M. Albano (EP), Councillor J. Hurst (EP),
Councillor T. Brown, Councillor B. Lewis (EP),
Councillor W. Farrow-Reed (EP), Councillor M. Johnson (EP),
Councillor B. Inglis (EP), Councillor A. Lawlor (EP)

STAFF PRESENT: A. B. Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer,
(Closed Session) S. Jones, Clerk & Director of Legislative Services,
(E – Electronically Present) C. Mills, Commissioner of Corporate Services (E),
J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development,
W. Harris, Commissioner of Recreation & Parks,
M.J. Leighton, Manager of Accounting and Town Treasurer (E),
G. Cannon, Chief Librarian (E),
B. Andrews, Interim Commissioner of Transportation and Public Works (E),
R. Cockfield, Director of Strategic Planning (E),
K. Okimi, Director of Parks and Open Space (E)
V. Petryniak, Deputy Clerk,
R. Brown, Deputy Clerk

STAFF PRESENT: A. B. Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer,
(Open Session) S. Jones, Clerk & Director of Legislative Services,
(E – Electronically Present) C. Mills, Commissioner of Corporate Services (E),
J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development,
W. Harris, Commissioner of Recreation & Parks (E),
H. Olivieri, Chief & Commissioner of Fire Services (E),
B. Andrews, Interim Commissioner of Transportation and Public Works(E)
M.J. Leighton, Manager of Accounting and Town Treasurer (E),
G. Cannon, Chief Librarian (E),

*** Denotes Change From Council Agenda**

1. OPENING OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor R. Bonnette called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

2. CLOSED MEETING/CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

Resolution No. 2020-0082

Moved by: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded by: Councillor A. Lawlor

THAT the Council of the Town of Halton Hills meet in closed session in order to address the following matters:

2.1 RECREATION AND PARKS REPORT NO. RP-2020-0011 dated March 6, 2020 regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board. (Land Acquisition)

2.2 OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2020-0007 dated February 4, 2020 regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board. (Land Donation)

CARRIED

Council convened into Closed Session at 4:05 p.m.

3. RECESS AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

Mayor R. Bonnette called for a recess at 4:58 p.m.

4. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Resolution No. 2020-0083

Moved by: Councillor A. Lawlor

Seconded by: Councillor M. Albano

THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills reconvene this meeting in open session.

Council reconvened in Open Session at 6:00 p.m.

5. NATIONAL ANTHEM

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.1 Virtual Town Hall

Mayor R. Bonnette announced that on Thursday, May 28 at 4:00 p.m. he will be hosting the 8th Virtual Town Hall.

6.2 Heat Warning

Mayor R. Bonnette announced that Halton Region has issued a heat warning for the next few days.

7. EMERGENCY BUSINESS MATTERS

7.1 Motion to Participate in the Ontario-Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Program

Mayor R. Bonnette brought forward a motion to Participate in the Ontario-Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Program.

Councillor M. Johnson assumed the Chair for this matter.

Resolution No. 2020-0084

Moved by: Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

WHEREAS businesses throughout Halton Hills are suffering catastrophic losses of revenue during the COVID19 public health emergency as a result of reduced demand for products and services or by being closed by order of the Province of Ontario during the pandemic resulting in losses of countless jobs and the inability of business operators to continue to pay expenses during the emergency including rent for their business premises;

AND WHEREAS Restaurants Canada, the trade organization for the foodservice industry, reports that 10% of Canadian restaurants permanently closed by the end of March and as many as 50% of those remaining are at risk of failure, in no small measure, due to the lack of ability to pay rent or secure affordable accommodation from their landlords;

AND WHEREAS the loss of many small and medium businesses will hurt and delay Canada's full economic recovery following the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS Halton Hills is encouraged by the cooperation between the Federal and Provincial government to develop the Ontario-Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance program;

AND WHEREAS both the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and the Canadian Federation of Independent Business have called for a moratorium on commercial evictions;

AND WHEREAS in accordance to provisions contained within section 18(i) of the Commercial Tenancies Act, provides that a commercial landlord may repossess leased premises 15 days after the tenant fails to both (i) pay rent and (ii) remedy the failure in the interim and many businesses are either being evicted or are at risk of imminent eviction causing uncertainty for operators and their employees;

AND WHEREAS the supports that have been provided to businesses to date and predominately focused on keeping staff employed are not sufficient in most cases to keep expenses paid, especially rent, which is often the most significant single operating expense of a business;

AND WHEREAS the Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) program that was announced by the Federal government on April 24, 2020, has not, to this date, been implemented and that the proposed conditions for participation in the CECRA create unreasonable barriers to participations including: requiring that commercial landlords have mortgages and the proceeds of the funding be sent directly to such mortgage holder and not the landlord; that the landlord must both agree to participate and apply for the CECRA, that the landlord must apply for each commercial unit where they own many, and that only leases with gross rents of under \$50,000 per month can qualify;

AND WHEREAS not all landlords choose to apply and there should be flexibility for tenants to qualify for rent subsidy in the case.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills calls upon the Province of Ontario to freeze commercial evictions within the Province of Ontario for a period up to and including thirty days following the conclusion of the order declaring an emergency under s 7.0.1 (1) the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act;

AND FURTHER THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills calls upon the Federal and Provincial governments to resolve barriers to participate in the Ontario-Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (OCECRA) and launch the program immediately;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ministers of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Finance, the Prime Minister of Canada, the Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade and the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development and Minister Responsible for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), Halton area Members of Provincial Parliament and Members of Parliament as well as all Halton local municipalities, AMO and FCM, the local Chambers of Commerce and the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses.

CARRIED

8. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

8.1

Councillor J. Hurst declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to the Emergency Business Item 7.1 of the agenda - Motion to Participate in the Ontario-Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Program, as he is the owner and landlord of commercial properties in Downtown Acton. He did not vote or participate in any discussions on this matter.

8.2

Councillor J. Hurst declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 2.1 of the Agenda - Confidential Report No. RP-2020-0011 dated March 6, 2020, as he is the owner of a property adjacent to the property listed in the report. He did not vote or participate in any discussions on this matter.

8.3

Councillor T. Brown declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 2.2 of the Agenda - Confidential Report No. ADMIN-2020-007 dated February 4, 2020, as his family members own the property listed in the report. He did not vote or participate in any discussions on this matter.

9. COUNCIL DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

NIL

10. RESOLUTION PREPARED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) OF COUNCIL

Resolution No. 2020-0085

Moved by: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded by: Councillor B. Lewis

THAT the following minutes are hereby approved:

- 10.1 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 9, 2020
- 10.2 Minutes of the Council Workshop held on March 9, 2020.
- 10.3 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on March 20, 2020.
- 10.4 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on April 6, 2020 (1:30 pm)
- 10.5 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on April 6, 2020 (1:36 pm)
- 10.6 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on April 27, 2020.
- 10.7 Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 9, 2020.
- 10.8 Confidential Minutes of the Council Workshop held March 9, 2020.
- 10.9 Confidential Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on March 20, 2020.
- 10.10 Confidential Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on April 27, 2020.

CARRIED

11. GENERAL COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 2020-0086

Moved by: Councillor M. Johnson

Seconded by: Councillor C. Somerville

THAT Council do now convene into General Committee.

CARRIED

Mayor R. Bonnette remained in the Chair for the role of Presiding Officer.

11.1 Public Meetings / Hearings

NIL

11.2 Delegations/Presentations regarding items in General Committee

11.2.a Natalie Smurthwaite, Resident of Halton Hills - Email Submission

N. Smurthwaite submitted an email on May 20, 2020 regarding Item No. 11.3.a of the Council Agenda, Report No. PD-2020-0023 dated May 12, 2020.

N. Smurthwaite stated her concerns with respect to the orientation of the condominium building, the long construction period, disruption to the existing neighbourhood and how trucks are entering and exiting the site during construction.

(Delegation Notes on file in the Clerk's Office)

11.3 Municipal Officers Reports to be Considered by General Committee

11.3.a PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2020-0023 dated May 12, 2020, regarding the "Recommendation Report for proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to allow for the development of 14 townhouse units (Building 2) and a 5-storey condominium (Building 3) on the former Memorial Arena site (Georgetown)".

Recommendation No. GC-2020-0015

THAT Report No. PD-2020-0023, dated May 12, 2020, regarding the "Recommendation Report for proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to allow for the development of 14 townhouse units (Building 2) and a 5-storey condominium (Building 3) on the former Memorial Arena site (Georgetown)", be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Town of Halton Hills Official Plan Amendment No. 41, which amends the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan, for the lands municipally known as 26, 28, 30, 34, 36, 38 & 42 Mill Street and 3 & 11 Dayfoot Drive (Georgetown), as generally shown in SCHEDULE 4 – OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT, be adopted as an exempt Local Official Plan Amendment on the basis that the Amendment is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement (2020), conforms or does not conflict with all applicable Provincial Plans, conforms with the Region of Halton Official Plan, conforms to the overall intent of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan, has regard for matters of Provincial interest, and represents

good planning for the reasons outlined in Report No. PD-2020-0023, dated May 12, 2020;

AND FURTHER THAT the Zoning By-law Amendment, to amend Town of Halton Hills Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended by By-law 2017-0045, for the lands municipally known as 26, 28, 30, 34, 36, 38 & 42 Mill Street and 3 & 11 Dayfoot Drive (Georgetown), as generally shown in SCHEDULE 5 – ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT, be approved for the same reasons as outlined in the preceding recommendation;

AND FURTHER THAT in accordance with Section 34(17) of the Planning Act, no further notice is determined to be necessary.

CARRIED

11.3.b OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2020-0009 dated May 12, 2020 regarding a request from Property Owner of 10 Henry Street for a variance to the Fence By-law 2002-0060, as amended.

Recommendation No. GC-2020-0016

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2020-0009 dated May 12, 2020 regarding a request from Property Owner of 10 Henry Street for a variance to the Fence By-law 2002-0060, as amended is received;

AND FURTHER THAT the fence variance contained in Report No. ADMIN-2020-0009 be granted to Property Owner of 10 Henry Street, with conditions as set out by Council.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

11.3.c OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2020-0013 dated May 19, 2020, regarding the Enbridge Natural Gas Expansion Project to Ballinafad, Limehouse and Silver Creek.

Recommendation No. GC-2020-0017

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2020-0013, dated May 19, 2020, regarding the Enbridge Natural Gas Expansion Project to Ballinafad, Limehouse and Silver Creek, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council formally support an application submitted by Enbridge Gas Inc. to the Government of Ontario's Provincial Natural Gas Expansion Support Program in order to expand the natural gas system to service Halton Hills in Ballinafad, Limehouse and Silver Creek;

AND FURTHER THAT Council support making a financial contribution towards the proposed project in an amount equivalent to the property tax that would be recovered on the new natural gas infrastructure for a period of 10 years as a financial support to the proposed project per the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) guidelines for the Natural Gas Expansion Support Program;

AND FURTHER THAT Council endorse Mayor Bonnette providing a letter of support to Enbridge;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Enbridge for inclusion in their application to the Ontario's Natural Gas Expansion Support Program and to the Town of Erin.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

11.3.d PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2020-0022 dated 15 May 2020, titled "Heritage Halton Hills By-law, Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) Terms of Reference, and Heritage Delegation By-law".

Recommendation No. GC-2020-0018

THAT Report PD-2020-0022 dated 15 May 2020, titled "Heritage Halton Hills By-law, Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) Terms of Reference, and Heritage Delegation By-law" be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council pass the Heritage Halton Hills Committee By-law as contained within Appendix A of Report PD-2020-0022, including the Halton Hills Terms of Reference contained within Schedule A of the draft By-law;

AND FURTHER THAT Council repeal By-law No 93-075, as amended by By-law 01-026;

AND FURTHER THAT Council endorse the Heritage Impact Assessment Terms of Reference as contained within Appendix B of Report PD-2020-0022;

AND FURTHER THAT Council pass the Heritage Delegation By-law as contained within Appendix C of Report PD-2020-0022.

CARRIED

11.4 Adjourn back into Council

Recommendation No. GC-2020-0019

THAT General Committee do now reconvene into Council.

CARRIED

12. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FORWARDED FROM GENERAL COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL

Resolution No. 2020-0087

Moved by: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded by: Councillor W. Farrow-Reed

THAT the recommendations regarding the Reports & Memorandums from the Monday, May 25, 2020 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted:

GC-2020-0015

GC-2020-0016 AS AMENDED

GC-2020-0017 AS AMENDED

GC-2020-0018

CARRIED

13. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES (ADOPTION / RECEIPT OF MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS)

NIL

14. RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF ADVISORY/SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Resolution No. 2020-0088

Moved by: Councillor A. Lawlor

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

THAT the following minutes are hereby received for information:

14.1 Minutes of the Georgetown Business Improvement Area (BIA) Meeting held on March 10, 2020.

14.2 Minutes of the Halton Hills Public Library Board Meeting held on March 11, 2020.

- 14.3 Minutes of the Halton Hills Public Library Board Meeting held on April 1, 2020.
- 14.4 Minutes of the Halton Hills Public Library Board Meeting held on April 8, 2020.
- 14.5 Minutes of the Georgetown Business Improvement Area (BIA) Meeting held on April 14, 2020.

CARRIED

15. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/MOTIONS

NIL

16. ADVANCE NOTICE OF MOTION

NIL

17. MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE GENERAL INFORMATION PACKAGE

Mayor. R. Bonnette pulled forward the Letter from the Mayor of Montreal and ICLEI Global Ambassador on Local Biodiversity, Valérie Plante dated May 18, 2020 regarding International Day for Biodiversity and World Environment Day. (Pages 65-71)

Councillor C. Somerville pulled forward the Letter from Halton Region dated March 4, 2020 regarding Mental Health Education in Secondary Schools (Pages 4-6) and requested that the Mayor write a letter to the Minister of Education, Stephen Lecce regarding this matter.

Resolution No. 2020-0089

Moved by: Councillor B. Lewis

Seconded by: Councillor J. Hurst

THAT the General Information Package dated May 25, 2020 be received.

CARRIED

18. MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

2.1

RECREATION AND PARKS REPORT NO. RP-2020-0011 dated March 6, 2020 regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Land Acquisition).

Resolution No. 2020-0090

Moved by: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded by: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT Confidential Report No. RP-2020-0011 dated March 6, 2020 regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Land Acquisition) be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff carry out Council's direction on this matter as set out in the Confidential Minutes dated May 25, 2020.

CARRIED

2.2

OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2020-0007 dated February 4, 2020 regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Land Donation).

Resolution No. 2020-0091

Moved by: Councillor M. Johnson

Seconded by: Councillor B. Lewis

THAT Confidential Report No. ADMIN-2020-0007 dated February 4, 2020 regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Land Donation) be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff carry out Council's direction on this matter as set out in the Confidential Minutes dated May 25, 2020.

CARRIED

19. CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Resolution No. 2020-0091

Moved by: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded by: Councillor M. Johnson

THAT the following Bills are hereby passed by Council;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the said by-laws and affix the seal of the Corporation thereto:

BY-LAW NO. 2020-0027

A By-law to adopt Amendment No. 41 to the Official Plan of the Town of Halton Hills 26, 28, 30, 34, 36, 38 & 42 Mill Street and 3 & 11 Dayfoot Drive (Georgetown).

BY-LAW NO. 2020-0028

A By-law to Amend Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended by By-law 2017-0045, for the lands described as Part of Lot 19, Concession 9; Lot 2, Lots 3,4,5,6 of Plan 341, Town of Halton Hills.

BY-LAW NO. 2020-0029

A By-law to repeal and replace By-law No. 89-0036, as amended by By-law Nos. 93-075, 95-187, and 01-026, to establish the Town's Heritage Halton Hills Committee.

BY-LAW NO. 2020-0030

A By-law to delegate Council's power under the Ontario Heritage Act for certain types of alterations to properties designated under Part IV and Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act.

BY-LAW NO. 2020-0031

A By-law to authorize the Town of Halton Hills to accept the donation of the lands legally described as Part of Lot 23, Concession 5 (Esquesing), shown as Part 1, 20R-16077, for the purpose of natural open space.

BY-LAW NO. 2020-0032

A By-law to adopt the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on the 25th day of May, 2020 and to authorize its execution.

CARRIED

20. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2020-0092

Moved by: Councillor J. Hurst

Seconded by: Councillor B. Lewis

THAT this Council meeting do now adjourn at 7:09 p.m.

CARRIED

Rick Bonnette, MAYOR

Suzanne Jones, CLERK