



Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Dunchurch Community Centre and Zoom Video Conferencing

Present: Mayor George Comrie
Councillor Janice Bray
Councillor Joe Lamb
Councillor Scott Nash (via Zoom by telephone 3:40 p.m.)
Councillor Brian Woods

Staff: Michelle Hendry, CAO/Clerk
David Creasor, Manager Public Works (10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.)
Maneesh Kulal, Treasurer / Tax Collector (10:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.)
Paula Macri, Planning Assistant (10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.)
Wendy Schroeder, Deputy Clerk/Records Management Coordinator
Bob Whitman, Fire Chief (via Zoom)

Invited Guests: Patrick Christie, C.P.T., Parry Sound Area Planning Board (via Zoom)
Kester Bonsu – Account Executive, Granicus (via Zoom)

Other Guests: 1 in person
1 via Zoom

1. Roll Call and Call to Order 10:00 a.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
Mayor Comrie requested that any pecuniary interest be declared for the record.

Councillor Bray declared a pecuniary interest with Item 11.6, Township of McKellar request, United Church Manse Property Taxes.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Resolution No. 2024-183
Moved by: Councillor Woods
Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

WHEREAS the Members of Council have been presented with an Agenda for the May 21 19, 2024 Regular Council meeting;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

4. Presentations and Delegations

4.1 Granicus – Short-Term Rental monitoring, compliance and enforcement

Matters Arising from Presentations and Delegations

Resolution No. 2024-184

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receive for information the presentation of Granicus regarding Short Term Rental monitoring, compliance, and enforcement.

Carried

Move into Committee of the Whole

Resolution No. 2024-185

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone move into Committee of the Whole at 10:34 a.m.

Carried

5. Committee of the Whole

5.1 Planning Matters

5.1.1 Application to Purchase and Close Shore Road Allowance, BUSENHART

- Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated May 6, 2024

5.1.2 Consent Application B04/2024(McDougall) - ROGERS

- Memorandum from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated April 2, 2024

5.2 Draft Short Term Rental Unit By-law
For Council Review and Discussion

5.2.1 Draft Short-Term Rental Unit By-law

5.2.2 Memorandum from CAO/Clerk Michelle Hendry dated May 21, 2024

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2024-186

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvene into the Regular Meeting at 11:41 a.m.

Carried

Matters Arising from Committee of the Whole

Resolution No. 2024-187

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

- 5.1.1 Application to Purchase and Close Shore Road Allowance, BUSENHART
- Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated May 13, 2024

WHEREAS an application has been submitted by Michael Busenhart and Nancy Straub Busenhart for the closing and acquisition of the shore road allowance fronting Lots 24 & 25, Concession 9 in the geographic Township of McKenzie; and

WHEREAS Paula Macri, Planning Assistant, has prepared a follow-up Memorandum to the March 6, 2024 Memorandum, dated May 13, 2024, regarding the purchase of the Shore Road Allowance and provided a copy to the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone; and

WHEREAS there are no Official Plan conflicts, environmental concerns or planning issues with respect to this application;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves in principle, the closure and acquisition of the shore road allowance fronting Lots 24 & 25, Concession 9 in the geographic Township of McKenzie, as applied for by Michael Busenhart and Nancy Straub Busenhart subject to:

1. All practices, procedures and fees of the Municipality for closing of Shore Road Allowances.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

RECESS 11:45 to 11:55

Resolution No. 2024-188

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

- 5.1.2 Consent Application B04/2024(McDougall) - ROGERS ®
- Memorandum from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated April 2, 2024

WHEREAS Patrick Christie, C.P.T., has prepared a Memorandum dated April 2, 2024 for the Parry Sound Area Planning Board regarding Consent application B04/2024(McD) – ROGERS and provided a copy to the Municipality of Whitestone; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of McDougall has requested approval from the Municipality of Whitestone in respect to the use of the parking and docking facilities at the Shawanaga Lake boat ramp for the purposes of Consent application B04/2024(McD) – ROGERS

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives this memorandum as information; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone does hereby advise the Municipality of McDougall and the Parry Sound Area Planning Board that the Whitestone Municipal Public Boat Launch at Beach Road has limited parking capacity, no trailer parking, no dock, and no waste disposal, and that it would be impossible to dedicate these amenities to water-access-only property owners of any municipality.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-189

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

5.2 DRAFT Short-Term Rental Unit By-law
For Council Review and Discussion

5.2.1 Draft Short-Term Rental Unit By-law

5.2.2 Memorandum from CAO/Clerk Michelle Hendry dated May 21, 2024

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receive for information the DRAFT Short Term Rental Unit By-law and the Memorandum from CAO/Clerk Hendry dated May 21, 2024; and

THAT members of Council be asked to forward written comments on the draft to Paula Macri by June 7th, 2024.

Carried

Move into Public Meeting

Resolution No. 2024-190

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone move into the Public Meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Carried

6. Public Meeting

6.1 LAMOUREUX, Laury & Paul - Proposed Zoning By-law amendment to rezone Part 1 on Plan 42R-22136 from the Waterfront Residential 2 (WF-2) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone

6.1.1 Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated May 13, 2024

6.2 Staff Report FIN-2024-07

Adoption of Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital/Special Projects Budget

6.2.1 Staff Report FIN-2024-07 from Maneesh Kulal, Treasurer dated May 21, 2024

1. Call to Order

- Council and Staff introduced to attendees

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Mayor Comrie requested that any pecuniary interest be declared for the record. None declared.

3. Meeting Protocol

- The Chairperson ensured all guests and visitors in attendance had signed in.
- The Chairperson reminded attendees that all comments be addressed through the Chairperson and that the person making comments should state their name before speaking.

4. Notice

The Chairperson asked the Clerk how the Notice was delivered. The Clerk advised that the Notice for the LAMOUREAUX matter was posted on the Municipal website and on the public bulletin board at the Municipal Office on March 18, 2024 and posted with Metroland "online" newspaper on April 11, 2024. No correspondence has been received.

The Notice for the Budget meeting was posted on the Municipal website and on the public bulletin board at the Municipal Office on April 23, 2024. The Notice was

posted on the Metroland "online" newspaper on May 4, 2024. No correspondence has been received.

5. Correspondence

No correspondence received in respect of either matter

6. Discussion

6.1 LAMOUREUX, Paul and Laury - Proposed Zoning By-law amendment is to rezone Part 1 on Plan 42R-22136 from the Waterfront Residential 2 (WF2) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone.

6.1.1 Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated May 13, 2024

- The Applicant was not present to speak to the matter
- Questions or comments from members of Council

6.2 Staff Report FIN-2024-07

6.2.1 Adoption of Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital / Special Projects Budget

- Questions and comments from members of Council

7. Adjournment

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2024-191

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvene into the Regular Meeting at 12:23 p.m.

Carried

Matters Arising from Public Meeting

Resolution No. 2024-192

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

6.1 LAMOUREUX, Laury & Paul - Proposed Zoning By-law amendment to rezone Part 1 on Plan 42R-22136 from the Waterfront Residential 2 (WF-2) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone

6.1.1 Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated May 13, 2024

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receive for information the Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated May 13, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-193

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

6.2 Staff Report FIN-2024-07

Adoption of Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital/Special Projects Budget

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone does hereby receive report FIN-2023-07 (Adoption of Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital/Special Project Budget) for information; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone, with changes recommended from both council and staff following the April 16, 2024 meeting, hereby adopts the Proposed 2024 Operating and Capital/Special Project Budget as presented; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone does hereby request that the CAO/Clerk present a By-law to adopt the estimates of all sums required during the year and to adopt the rates of taxation for year 2024.

Recorded Vote requested by Councillor Lamb

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods		X	
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

7. Consent Agenda

Resolution No. 2024-194

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of:

7.1 Council and Committee Meeting Minutes

- 7.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2024
- 7.1.2 Whitestone Library Board Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2024
- 7.1.3 Whitestone Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2024.

7.2 Unfinished Business (listed on pages 6 to 9)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby approves the following Council Meeting Minutes:

- 7.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2024

AND THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information:

- 7.1.2 Whitestone Library Board Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2024
- 7.1.3 Whitestone Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2024.

7.2 The Unfinished Business listed on pages 6 to 9 of the May 21, 2024 Council Meeting Agenda

Carried

8. Accounts Payable

Resolution No. 2024-195

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

8.1 Accounts Payable

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Accounts Payable listing in the amount of \$217,452.22 for the period ending May 10, 2024.

Carried

9. Staff Reports

Resolution No. 2024-196

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

9.1 Report ADMIN-2024-06
AODA Multi-Year Plan

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information report ADMIN-2024-06 (2024 to 2028 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan); and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone does hereby endorse the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan (the Plan) as presented and submit the Plan to the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility; and

THAT in order to finalize compliance with the Plan and the associated legislation, AODA and Human Rights training or re-training (if the initial training is older than five (5) years) be completed within the next three (3) months by staff, volunteers (paid and unpaid), full-time, part-time and contract positions and members of Council.

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-197

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

- 9.2 Report FIN-2024-08
Tax Arrears for 2023, 2022, 2021, and Previous Years

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report FIN-2024-08 (Tax Arrears for 2023, 2022, 2021, and Previous Years)

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-198

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

- 9.3 Report PW-2024-06
Blue Box Depot Services Agreement with Circular Materials Ontario and Lease Agreement with Waste Connections of Canada Inc.

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PW-2024-06 (Blue Box Depot Services Agreement with Circular Materials Ontario and Lease Agreement with Waste Connections of Canada Inc.) for information; and

THAT the Municipality of Whitestone enters into a Depot Operations Agreement with Circular Materials Ontario to provide blue box services at Municipality of Whitestone Landfill depots, including promotion and education, for the period of July 01, 2024 to December 31, 2025, based on the terms described in this report; and

THAT the Municipality of Whitestone enters into a Lease Agreement with Waste Connections of Canada Inc. (WCC) to lease to WCC, on a month-to-month basis, four (4) recycling compactors and six (6) related recycling containers which are currently situated at the Municipality's York St. & Aulds Rd Depots, based on the terms described in this report; and

THAT the Mayor and CAO/Clerk be authorized to execute the Depot Operations Agreement with Circular Materials Ontario and the Lease Agreement with Waste Connections of Canada Inc.

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-199

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 9.4 Report BLDG-2024-02
Building Services 2024, Q1

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report BLDG-2024-02 (Building Services 2024, Q1).

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-200

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

- 9.5 Report PLN-2024-02
Planning Services 2024, Q1

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report PLN-2024-02 (Planning Services 2024, Q1).

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-201

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

- 9.6 Report FIRE-2024-01
Fire and Rescue Services 2024, Q1

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report FIRE-2024-01 (Fire and Rescue Services 2024, Q1).

Carried

10. By-laws

Resolution No. 2024-202

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

- 10.1 **THAT** By-law No. 20-2024, being a By-law for a Zoning By-law amendment to re-zone Part 1 on Plan 42R-22136 from the Waterfront Residential 2 (WF-2) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone - Laury and Paul Lamoureux, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-203

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 10.2 **THAT** By-Law No. 21-2024, being a By-law to Close and Stop up that part of the original shore road allowance along the shores of WahWashKesh Lake, in front of Lot 27, Concessions 5 & 6 in the geographic Township of McKenzie, now Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound, designated as Parts 1 to 9, Plan 42R-22407 and to sell Parts 1 to 9, Plan 42R-22407 – Gordon and Gabriele Bennett, James and Deborah McIlwee and James and Catheryn Muncy, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-204

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 10.3 **THAT** By-Law No. 22-2024, being a By-law to Close and Stop up that part of the original shore road allowance along the shores of the Magnetawan River, in front of Lot 39, Concession 14 in the geographic Township of Burton, now Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound, designated as Parts 2 and 3, Plan 42R-22427 and to sell Parts 2 and 3, Plan 42R-22427- Scott Croucher, Martha Croucher, Holly Cornell Croucher and Laura Landray, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-205

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 10.4 **THAT** By-law No. 23-2024 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement for Conditions of Approval of Consent B22/2023(W) - Carol Marjorie Gorrie, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-206

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

- 10.5 **THAT** By-law No. 24-2024 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement for Conditions of Approval of Consent B57/2022(W) – Heather Hisey and Susan Manery, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Woods	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-207

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

- 10.6 **THAT** By-law No. 25-2024 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement for Conditions of Approval of Consent B36/2022(W) – Brent and Rota Duprey, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote (per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023):

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-208

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

10.7 **THAT** By-law 26-2024, being a By-law to authorize an agreement between the Municipality of Whitestone and Circular Materials Ontario, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-209

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

10.8 **THAT** By-law 27-2024, being a By-law to enter a Lease Agreement between the Municipality of Whitestone and Waste Connections of Canada Inc., is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-210

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

10.9 **THAT** By-law 28-2024, being a By-law to adopt the estimates of all sums required during the year and to adopt the rates of taxation for year 2024, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Recorded Vote requested by Councillor Lamb

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Woods		X	
Councillor	Bray	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-211

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

10.10 **THAT** By-law 29-2024, being a By-law to approve the submission of an application and to authorize entering into a rate offer letter agreement between the Municipality of Whitestone and Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation, is hereby passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Carried

11. Business Matters

Resolution No. 2024-212

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 11.1 Council Member appointment to Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Leadership Council

THAT the Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Memorandum of Michelle Hendry, CAO/Clerk (Community Safety and Well-being Plan, Appointment to Community Safety and Well-being Plan Leadership Council); and

THAT the following member of Council is hereby appointed to the Community Safety and Well-being Plan Leadership Council:

Councillor Janice Bray

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-213

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

- 11.2 Committee of Adjustment
Council Member Appointment

THAT the Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant (Council member appointment to the Committee of Adjustment); and

THAT Councillor Brian Woods is hereby appointed as Council Representative to the Committee of Adjustment for the year 2024.

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-214

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 11.3 Appointments to the Community Emergency Management Program Committee

THAT the Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Memorandum from Michelle Hendry, CAO/Clerk (Community Emergency Management Program Committee); and

THAT the following positions as identified and described in the Whitestone Emergency Plan are hereby appointed to the Community Emergency Management Program Committee:

- CEMC (Community Emergency Management Coordinator)
- Alternate CEMC – Committee Chairperson
- Council Member representative (Mayor)
- Information Officer
- Liaison Officer and
- Operations Section Chief

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-215

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

11.4 Divestment of the Kashegaba Lake Dam

Correspondence from Adam Wakefield, District Manager
Bracebridge Minden Parry Sound District, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receive for information the letter dated March 20, 2024 from Adam Wakefield, District Manager, Bracebridge Minden Parry Sound District, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry in respect to:

'a status update on the Municipality of Whitestone's progress on a discussion for a commitment, such as a council resolution, to assume ownership of the Kashegaba Lake Dam'

AND THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone does hereby agree to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) for the purposes of the Municipality assuming ownership and responsibility for the Kashegaba Lake Dam.

Recorded Vote requested by Mayor Comrie

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Woods		X	
Councillor	Bray		X	
Councillor	Lamb		X	
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Defeated

Resolution No. 2024-216

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

11.4 Motion to reconsider Resolution No. 2023-364, July 18, 2023 (Councillor Lamb)
Farley's Road Boat Launch Parking – to remove reference to 'day use only'

WHEREAS Councillor Lamb is requesting that the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconsider Resolution No. 2023-364 passed by Council on July 18, 2023, in respect of the following:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 2023-364 from the July 18, 2023 Regular Council meeting be revised to read as follows with the changes shown *in red and in italics below*:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Memorandum, Farley's Road Boat Launch, General Public Use; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves the use of the Farley's Road Boat Launch for shared use between the deeded access properties and ~~day-use-only~~ Public Parking; and

THAT Staff be requested to install signage to designate the two distinct parking areas as soon as practical; and

THAT the current By-law ~~25-2010~~ 38-2016, being a By-Law to regulate traffic and to govern and control the parking of vehicles in the Municipality of Whitestone, be updated to reflect the above referenced direction of Council.

AND WHEREAS Resolution No. 2023-364 was passed by a recorded vote whereby Councillor Lamb was the mover of the motion and voted in the affirmative;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby moves to reconsider Resolution No. 2023-364 at the Regular Council Meeting of June 18, 2024.

Carried

Conflict of Interest declared by Councillor Janice Bray. Councillor Bray left Community Centre for the duration of the discussion in respect to Item 11.6 and returned after Resolution 2024-217 passed

Resolution No. 2024-217

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

11.6 Township of McKellar Request – United Church Manse Property Taxes

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of McKellar has for several years carried resolutions to write off taxes for the McKellar-Dunchurch Pastoral Charge; and

WHEREAS the McKellar-Dunchurch United Church serves both the Township of McKellar and the Municipality of Whitestone; and

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of McKellar has requested that both the Township of McKellar and the Municipality of Whitestone evenly split the property taxes of the manse;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Municipality of Whitestone agrees to evenly split the property taxes of the McKellar-Dunchurch Pastoral Charge manse, located at 2 Lakeshore Road, McKellar.

Defeated

Resolution No. 2024-218

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 11.7 District Social Services Request for Support for Youth Wellness Hub – resolution of support (item C April 16 Regular Council meeting)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone supports the Children's Aid Society of the District of Nipissing and Parry Sound Youth Wellness Hub (YWHO); and

THAT a letter of support be forwarded to Minister Fedeli, Minister Tibollo, Cyndy Dearden (YWHO) and Maria Talotta (YWHO).

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-219

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

- 11.8 Request to Amend Legislation to Extend the Lifespan of Firefighting Equipment Support of Resolution from April 16 meeting – resolution of support (item E April 16, Regular Council meeting)

WHEREAS Tay Valley Township passed the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township support Prince Edward County's resolution regarding Expansion of the Life Span of Fire Apparatus;

AND WHEREAS, By-Law No. 2012-042, being a By-Law to Establish and Regulate the Fire Department (Drummond/North Elmsley Tay Valley Fire Rescue) established service level standards for the Drummond/North Elmsley Tay Valley Fire Rescue;

AND WHEREAS, apparatus and equipment are directly tied to the delivery of fire protection services authorized by Council in By-Law No. 2012-042, and a safe, reliable and diverse fleet is required to serve operation's needs;

AND WHEREAS, fire Apparatus is governed by industry best practices, the application of law and recognized industry partners, including the Ontario Fire

Service Section 21 Guidance Notes, National Fire Protection Association Standards, The Occupational Health and Safety Act, and Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS);

AND WHEREAS, Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS) is a provider of data, underwriting, risk management and legal/regulatory services focusing on community fire-protection and fire prevention systems in Canada, establishing apparatus replacement schedules based on safety and risk mitigation practices;

AND WHEREAS, no provincial funding is available for new fire trucks, yet, small and rural municipalities must meet the same standards set by FUS as larger municipalities for fire equipment, including additional pressure to move fire trucks out when they reach a specific age, even though they can still meet the safety regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Reeve send a letter to FUS requesting the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that does not put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with distinct categories for rural and urban municipalities;

THAT, this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt;

AND THAT, this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FMC), the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone declares their support of Tay Valley Township's resolution supporting Prince Edward County's request of the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that does not put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with distinct categories for rural and urban municipalities; and

THAT, this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, and Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Carried

Councillor Nash joined the meeting at 3:40 p.m. via Zoom teleconference.

Resolution No. 2024-220

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

- 11.9 Belvedere Heights Board of Management Request for Municipal Support to Develop the 24 Bed Allocation at Belvedere

WHEREAS on April 5, 2024 Belvedere Heights Board of Management received the long-anticipated letter from Ministry of Long Term Care, declining the request to relocate Belvedere Heights to a campus of care; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Long-Term Care has requested that Belvedere Heights Board of Management express their intention regarding the addition of the previously approved (in April 2021), twenty-four (24) beds to Belvedere Heights; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Long-Term Care has provided the requirements to qualify for the recently announced maximum \$35 per diem construction funding top-up by a November 2024 deadline; and

WHEREAS the Belvedere Heights Board of Management financing plan will not require new funding from its municipal partners; and

WHEREAS time is of the essence to comply with Ministry of Long-Term Care recommended milestone for municipal owner approval by June 2024;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone endorses the Belvedere Heights Board of Management request to apply for final approval from the Ministry of Long-Term Care to build up to twenty-four (24) new long-term care beds at 21 Belvedere Ave., subject to meeting all of the Ministry of Long-Term Care requirements including the required financing plan.

Recorded Vote requested by Councillor Nash

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Lamb	X		
Councillor	Nash	X		
Councillor	Woods	X		
Mayor	George Comrie	X		

Carried

Resolution No. 2024-221

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

11.10 Proclamation of the Month of June 2024 as Seniors Month

WHEREAS, Seniors' Month is an annual nation-wide celebration; and
WHEREAS, Seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of the Whitestone community; and

WHEREAS, Seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers, and important and active members of this community; and

WHEREAS, their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told; and

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community; and

WHEREAS, the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor George Comrie, do hereby proclaim

June 2024 as 'Seniors' Month' in the Municipality of Whitestone

and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried

12. Correspondence

Resolution No. 2024-222

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone has reviewed the Correspondence Items as listed on page 10 of the May 21, 2024 Council Meeting agenda;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the correspondence items for information, with the following extracted for further discussion/action:

B – Hope Air – Requesting support of a declaration that June 7 be “Hope Air Day” in Northern Ontario

C – Goderich – Request of Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Code of Conduct

G – McDougall Township – Request that west Parry Sound municipalities meet regarding the Parry Sound Economic Development Collaborative

H – Township of the Archipelago – letter regarding Public Health Ontario’s proposition to phase out free provincial water testing services

Carried

Matters Arising from Correspondence

Resolutions of Support for items B, C and H to be brought forward for Council consideration at the June 18, 2024 Regular Council Meeting

13. Councillor Items

Councillor Woods

- Thanked Public Works staff for their quick response to installing the dock ladder at Gooseneck and uprighting the flagpole at the Fire Hall

Councillor Nash

- Mentioned the property for sale between Duck Rock and the Twist property
- Asked if there was an update to signage on Bolger. CAO/Clerk Hendry to follow up with an email to Council

Councillor Lamb

- Asked if there was an update to the Traffic By-law. CAO/Clerk Hendry advised she is meeting with the lawyer in respect of the recent legal review and is expected to be added as an item to the June 18, 2024 Regular Council Meeting agenda

14. Questions from the Public – None

15. Closed Session – None

16. Confirming By-law

Resolution No. 2024-223

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT By-law No. 30-2024, being the Confirmatory By-law for the Council meeting of the Municipality of Whitestone on May 21, 2024 is hereby enacted as passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2024-224

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods


WHEREAS the business of this Meeting has concluded;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 4:47 p.m. until the Regular Council Meeting of June 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the chair.

Carried



George Comrie Mayor



Michelle Hendry CAO/Clerk