



TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN
PUBLIC WORKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES

MEETING NO. TWO

March 20, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Township Administration Building

318 Canborough Street, Smithville, Ontario

Council: Councillor Shelley Bradaric
Mayor Cheryl Ganann
Councillor Mike Rehner
Councillor William Reilly
Councillor Jason Trombetta
Councillor Joann Chechalk
Councillor Terry Bell

Staff: Bev Hendry, CAO
Joanne Scime, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
Mike DiPaola, Director of Public Works & Recreation
Vanessa Holm, Library CEO
Katelyn Hall, Deputy Treasurer
Kevin Geoghegan, IT Help Desk Analyst
Brian Treble, Director of Planning & Building
Donna DeFilippis, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Others: Regional Councillor Albert Witteveen
Rob Cosby
Bruce Harris, WeeStreem

1. CHAIR - Councillor Mike Rehner

The Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Prior to commencing with the Public Works & Recreation Committee meeting, Chair Rehner read the following announcements:

(1) Comments from the public for a matter that were on the agenda could be

provided in person by attending the meeting and advising the Chair during the "Request to Address an Item on the Agenda" Section of the agenda.

(2) For those individuals that are unable to attend this evening's meeting in person, could submit their comments for matters that are on the agenda by either

(1) emailing jscime@westlincoln.ca before 4:30 pm. today. Any comments submitted will be considered as public information and read into public record OR

(2) an individual could contact the Clerk's Department to request a Zoom Link to attend this evening's meeting virtually.

(3) This meeting was being livestreamed. The link to watch the meeting live could be found on the Township's website by selecting the "Township Office" tab at the top of the website, click the Council or Standing Committee meetings tab and scroll down the meeting list to find the link.

(4) This meeting was being recorded and will be available to view by clicking the meeting video link found on the Township's website within 48 hours after the meeting unless otherwise noted.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

The Chair to read the following:

The Township of West Lincoln, being part of Niagara Region is situated on treaty land. This land is steeped in the rich history of the First Nations such as the Hattiwendaronk (Hat-i-wen-DA-ronk), the Haudenosaunee (Hoe-den-no-SHOW-nee), and the Anishinaabe (Ah-nish-ih-NAH-bey), including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. There are many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people from across Turtle Island that live and work in Niagara today. The Township of West Lincoln, as part of the Regional Municipality of Niagara, stands with all Indigenous people, past and present, in promoting the wise stewardship of the lands on which we live.

3. CHANGE IN ORDER OF ITEMS ON AGENDA

There were no changes made with respect to the order of items on the agenda.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND/OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest and/or conflict of interest by any Member of the Committee in attendance.

5. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments/presentations.

6. REQUEST TO ADDRESS ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

The Chair inquired if the IT Help Desk Analyst was aware if there were any members of the public who were in attendance virtually on the Zoom meeting call that wished to address a specific item on tonight's agenda as permitted under Section 6.7 of the Procedural By-law, for which the IT Help Desk Analyst confirmed there was not.

Additionally, the Chair asked the Director of Legislative Services/Clerk if she had received any emails or correspondence from a member of the public prior to 4:30 p.m. today, for which the Director of Legislative Services/Clerk confirmed she had not.

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

7.1 ITEM PW06-23

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Moved By Councillor Joann Chechalk

Seconded By Mayor Cheryl Ganann

That the Public Works & Recreation Committee hereby approves the following Consent Agenda Items:

1. Items 1 and 2 be and are hereby received for information; and,
2. Items 3 and 4 be and are hereby received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Carried

SUMMARY OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED:

1. West Lincoln Age Friendly Committee (WLAFC) - Minutes of February 3, 2023
2. Information Report No. REC-02-2023 - Communities in Bloom 2023 Best Garden Selection Contest
3. Recommendation Report No. PW09-2023 - Appointment of Overall Responsible Operators
4. Recommendation Report No. PW-08-2023 - Appointment of Weed Inspectors

8. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications.

9. STAFF REPORTS

9.1 ITEM PW07-23

Project Manager (Ray Vachon) and Director of Public Works and Recreation (Mike DiPaola)

Re: Information Report PW-02-2023 - Wellandport Community Centre Shoreline Enhancements and Protection - Project Update

Councillor Bradaric stated she was glad to see this in a public forum, and stated she met with the Director of Public Works & Recreation to brainstorm some ideas for the Wellandport Community Centre Park and it is wonderful that this was making its way through the process to make enhancements, protect the shoreline and showcase this municipal asset and that she was looking forward to further discussions and recommendations with respect to this project.

The Director of Public Works & Recreation stated the Township has worked with the NPCA, and they will come up with a conceptual plan for the property where the focus will be on the dock, fishing accessibility, facilities for boat rentals (kayaks, canoes), fishing platforms as well as parking. The Director also stated that washrooms were in consideration as well for the site; however, staff will report back once they have conceptual designs and a more specific cost breakdown.

Councillor Bradaric inquired into the proximity to the Wellandport Public Library, to see if these two facilities can be interlinked.

Director of Public Works & Recreation stated that this will be something staff will review further down the line.

Councillor Chechalk inquired whether the issues of property lines and encroachment had or will be addressed and/or resolved as she recalled that concerns had come up approximately 6 years ago and she wanted to make sure there would not be problems for the project once construction commenced.

In response to Councillor Chechalk's inquiry, the Director of Public Works & Recreation stated he was not aware of any encroachments of the neighboring property lines at this time, but will be vigilant to this issue as the project continues.

Councillor Reilly inquired whether the Township has heard back from the NPCA regarding the water chestnut removal initiative.

In response to Councillor Reilly's inquiry, the CAO stated that she has not heard anything.

The Director of Public Works & Recreation stated that the NPCA organized a two-day extraction in the previous summer but has not heard anything further on this matter.

Moved By Councillor Shelley Bradaric

Seconded By Councillor Terry Bell

That, Information Report PW-02-2023 regarding "Wellandport Community Centre Shoreline Enhancements and Protection - Project Update", dated March 20 2023, be received for information.

Carried

10. OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 ITEM PW08-23

Members of Council

Re: Other Business Items of an Informative Nature

(1) Councillor Joann Chechalk

Re: Marci Cook Memorial Hockey Tournament - Simcoe/Waterford

Councillor Chechalk advised that the Marci Cook Memorial Hockey Tournament was held this past weekend in Simcoe and Waterford with West Niagara Under 11 and Under 15 teams participating, and she was proud to announce that the Under 11 West Niagara team won the tournament for this division.

Mayor Ganann noted that this particular team has also been active in various community fundraisers.

11. NEW BUSINESS

There were no new items of business brought forward.

12. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

There were no confidential matters.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair to declare the meeting adjourned at the hour of 6:47 p.m.



**JOANNE SCIME, DIRECTOR OF
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES/CLERK**

**COUNCILLOR MIKE REHNER,
CHAIR**