



**TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPLAIN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

**May 7, 2019  
TOWNSHIP HALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Normand Riopel, Mayor  
Peter Barton, Councillor  
Troy Carkner, Councillor  
Jacques Lacelle, Councillor  
André Roy, Councillor  
Michel Lalonde, Councillor  
Violaine Tittley, Councillor  
Sarah Bigelow, Councillor  
Gérard Miner, Councillor

**ALSO PRESENT:** Paula Knudsen, CAO  
Alison Collard, Clerk  
Kevin Tessier, Treasurer  
James McMahon, Director of Public Works

**OPENING - 4:00 P.M.**

The meeting was opened at 4:01 p.m.

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None noted.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Two items were added to the Agenda: 6.2.1 - Development of the Vankleek Hill Town Square; and 6.2.2. Community Fundraiser for the Vankleek Hill Town Square. It was

**Resolution 2019-169**

**Moved By:** Sarah Bigelow

**Seconded By:** Gérard Miner

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the agenda of the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 7, 2019, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA**

At 4:03 p.m. Council decided to go into a closed meeting to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, the disposition and acquisition of land, and a procedure with respect to negotiations. It was

**Resolution 2019-170**

**Moved By:** Michel Lalonde

**Seconded By:** Peter Barton

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council go in-camera for the purpose of discussing personal matters about an identifiable individual; proposed acquisition of land; proposed disposition of land; and negotiations, as provided under sections 239.(2)(b),(c) and (k) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

**CARRIED**

### **Negotiations**

#### **Integrity Commissioner**

#### **Potential Sale of Land**

#### **Potential Purchase of Land**

*The In Camera portion of the meeting ended at 5:38 p.m. There was a brief pause and the Committee of the Whole meeting resumed at 5:48 p.m.*

### **REPORT OF THE MAYOR**

#### **2019 Flood**

The Mayor reported on the recent flooding in the L'Orignal area. 60 houses were inspected, sandbag barriers were built for 27 houses, one resident was evacuated and 5 houses were flooded. Throughout the period the Township and volunteers worked hard to stay ahead of the situation. The Municipal Emergency Control Group met three times; Public Works carried out night patrols; and the firefighters carried out daytime patrols and responded to any requests for sandbags. An Emergency Evacuation centre was set up by the Red Cross in Clarence and was open to Champlain residents. The Township did not declare an Emergency.

The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing has activated the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians (DRAO) program for eligible flood victims.

With regards to clean-up, which will only commence after water levels have receded further, Council instructed the Public Works Department to do what they did in 2017, i.e. provide containers for affected residents to put debris in that washed up on their property. The containers will be located in Domaine Chartrand, and on Dufour, Montpetit and Des Chalet Streets. At a future date, volunteers and the L'Orignal Firefighters will remove the sandbags walls and the Public Works Department will provide dump trucks and loaders to collect them. The Township will provide information to the public on the Website and Facebook page regarding the clean-up procedures.

The Director of Public Works provided a short slide presentation showing photos of flooded properties within the Township.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### **Roads Department**

#### **Public Works Report PWCW-01-19 - By-Law 2019-25 - Methot Street**

The Committee reviewed this report. It was

**Resolution** 2019-176

**Moved By:** Troy Carkner

**Seconded By:** Peter Barton

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works Report N° PWCW-01-19, dated May 7, 2019, regarding By-Law 2019-25 being a By-Law to authorize the control of traffic on Méthot Street be received and that By-Law 2019-25 be brought forward for consideration.

**CARRIED**

**Public Works Report PWCW-02-19 - By-Law 2019-26 - Bangs Road speed limit**

The Committee reviewed this report. It was

**Resolution 2019-177**

**Moved By:** Gérard Miner

**Seconded By:** Violaine Tittley

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works Report N° PWCW-02-19, dated May 7, 2019, regarding the recommendation to set the speed limit on Bangs Road to 60 km/hour be received and that By-Law 2019-26 be brought forward for consideration.

**CARRIED**

**Public Works Report PWCW-03-19 - By-Law 2019-27 - Road Cut By-Law**

The Committee reviewed this report. It was

**Resolution 2019-178**

**Moved By:** Gérard Miner

**Seconded By:** Sarah Bigelow

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works Report N° PWCW-03-19, dated May 7, 2019, regarding proposed By-Law 2019-27 being a By-Law to regulate the entry upon and reinstatement of roads in the Township of Champlain. (Road Cut By-Law) be received and that By-Law 2019-27 be brought forward for consideration.

**CARRIED**

**Public Works Report PWCW-04-19 - Cross Culvert replacement Nixon Road**

The Committee reviewed this report. It was

**Resolution 2019-179**

**Moved By:** Jacques Lacelle

**Seconded By:** Gérard Miner

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works Report N° PWCW-04-19, dated May 7, 2019, regarding the cross culvert replacement on Nixon Road as a joint project with the Township of North Glengarry be received and the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to approve the project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this project be unfinanced in the 2019 budget.

**CARRIED**

**Public Works Report PWCW-05-19 - 911 civic addressing signs**

The Committee discussed this report. It was

**Resolution 2019-180**

**Moved By:** Gérard Miner

**Seconded By:** Violaine Tittley

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Public Works Report N° PWCW-05-19, dated May 7, 2019, regarding repairs and replacement of 911 civic addressing signs be received and brought forward for consideration and that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the costs for repairing and or replacing existing 911 signs be assumed by the Township.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the User Fee By-Law 2015-66 be amended accordingly.

**CARRIED**

## **Finance**

### **Administration Report AD-08-19 - Development of the Vankleek Hill Town Square**

**Resolution** 2019-181

**Moved By:** Gérard Miner

**Seconded By:** Peter Barton

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Administration Report No. AD-08-19, dated May 7, 2019, regarding the Development of the Vankleek Hill Town Square be received and that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council a budget increase of \$31,200 for a total amount of \$133,700 to finalize the development of the Vankleek Hill Town Square and that any costs not financed by donations or grants be financed from the accumulated surplus for this increase.

**CARRIED**

### **Community Fundraising for the Vankleek Hill Town Square Park**

Council discussed a community fundraising proposal for the Vankleek Hill Town Square. This fundraising would be organized by Louise Sproule along with Martel monuments and would be for the sale of stones memorializing community volunteers and veterans that would be placed along the edges of the concrete path in the park. The funds from the sale of the memorial stones would be donated to the Township for development and maintenance of this park. Louise Sproule provide the Committee with details of the proposed project and will provide information to the Township regarding the dimensions of the stones so that the Public Works Department can take this into account when installing the concrete path. Mrs. Sproule also informed the Committee that the Vankleek Hill Business and Merchants Association would like to approach Council at a future date regarding the donation and installation of an appropriate information sign in the park.

Following the discussion, it was

**Resolution** 2019-182

**Moved By:** Peter Barton

**Seconded By:** Troy Carkner

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to allow fundraising initiatives by a Community Group in support of the development of the Vankleek Hill Town Square park.

**CARRIED**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Ad Bags**

At the request of Councillor Roy, staff conducted a Facebook Survey to determine the opinion of residents in regards to the delivery of ad bags. The Facebook survey received only 53 responses, of which 75% were in favour of regulating the distribution of ad bags. Council discussed the issue of the delivery of ad bags. Given that the Survey response was low, no further action was taken.

## **QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

## **NEXT MEETING**

- Committee of the Whole - June 4, 2019

**ADJOURNMENT**

Subsequently, it was

**Resolution 2019-183**

**Moved By:** Jacques Lacelle

**Seconded By:** Violaine Tittley

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 7, 2019 be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

The Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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NORMAND RIOPEL, MAYOR

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ALISON COLLARD, CLERK