



Stratford City Council Special Council Open Session MINUTES

Meeting #: 4630th
Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2020
Time: 4:45 P.M.
Location: Electronically

Council Present in Council Chambers: Mayor Mathieson - Chair Presiding

Council Present Electronically: Councillor Beatty, *Councillor Bunting, Councillor Burbach, Councillor Clifford, Councillor Gaffney, Councillor Henderson, Councillor Ingram, Councillor Ritsma

Regrets: Councillor Sebben, Councillor Vassilakos

Staff Present in Council Chambers: Joan Thomson - Chief Administrative Officer, Tatiana Dafoe - City Clerk, Janice Beirness - Acting Director of Corporate Services

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Mathieson, Chair presiding, called the Council meeting to order.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

The *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* requires any member of Council declaring a pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof, where the interest of a member of Council has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and to otherwise comply with the *Act*.

Name, Item and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest made at the October 21, 2020 Special Council meeting.

3. Report of the Committee of the Whole In-Camera Session:

3.1 At the October 21, 2020, Session under the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, a matter concerning the following item was considered:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual(s) including municipal employees or local board employees (section 239.(2)(b)).

R2020-590

Motion by Councillor Clifford

Seconded By Councillor Ingram

THAT Janice Beirness be appointed the Director of Corporate Services and Treasurer for The Corporation of the City of Stratford effective October 22, 2020.

Mayor Mathieson advised it's an honour for the City to move forward with this appointment. Ms. Beirness was one of 33 applicants and has been with the City since 2007, serving as the Manager of Financial Services.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on the motion.

Carried

4. Reading of the By-laws:

The following By-laws required First and Second Readings and Third and Final Readings and were taken collectively upon unanimous vote of Council present:

R2020-591

Motion by Councillor Beatty

Seconded by Councillor Ritsma

THAT By-laws 130-2020 and 131-2020 be taken collectively.

Carried unanimously

R2020-592

Motion by Councillor Burbach

Seconded by Councillor Ingram

THAT 130-2020 and 131-2020 be read a First and Second Time.

Carried two-thirds support

R2020-593

Motion by Councillor Gaffney
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

**THAT 130-2020 and 131-2020 be read a Third Time and Finally Passed.
Carried**

4.1 Appointment By-law - By-law 130-2020

To appoint a Director of Corporate Services and Treasurer for The Corporation of the City of Stratford and to repeal By-laws 154-2017 and 48-2020.

4.2 Confirmatory By-law 131-2020

To confirm the proceedings of Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford at its meeting held on October 21, 2020.

5. Adjournment:

Ms. Beirness thanked Council for placing their confidence in her to take on this role. She advised she has been with the City for 13 years and has served as treasurer in another community. She noted she loves Stratford and working with the people in the community.

*Councillor Bunting now present at 4:48 p.m.

Congratulations were extended to Ms. Beirness.

R2020-594

Motion by Councillor Clifford
Seconded by Councillor Ritsma

THAT the October 21, 2020 Special Council Meeting adjourn.

Carried

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Mayor - Daniel B. Mathieson

Clerk - Tatiana Dafoe