



Stratford City Council Regular Council Open Session MINUTES

Meeting #: 4680th
Date: Monday, February 14, 2022
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Location: Electronic Meeting

Council Present Electronically: Mayor Mathieson - Chair Presiding, Councillor Beatty, Councillor Bunting, Councillor Burbach, Councillor Clifford, Councillor Gaffney, Councillor Henderson, Councillor Ingram, Councillor Ritsma, Councillor Sebben, Councillor Vassilakos

Staff Present in Council Chambers: Joan Thomson - Chief Administrative Officer, Tatiana Dafoe - City Clerk, Chris Bantock - Deputy Clerk

Staff Present Electronically: David St. Louis - Director of Community Services, Kim McElroy - Director of Social Services, John Paradis - Fire Chief, Taylor Crinklaw - Director of Infrastructure and Development Services, Karmen Krueger - Acting Director of Corporate Services, Jodi Akins - Council Clerk Secretary, Stephanie Potter - Corporate Initiatives Lead, Alyssa Bridge - Manager of Planning, Jeff Bannon - Planner

Also Present: Members of the public and media

1. Call to Order:

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

Moment of Silent Reflection

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 of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations of pecuniary interest were made by a member at the February 14, 2022, Regular Council meeting.

3. Adoption of the Minutes:

R2022-25

Motion by Councillor Beatty

Seconded by Councillor Ingram

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford dated January 24, 2022 be adopted as printed.

Carried

4. Adoption of the Addendum to the Agenda:

R2022-26

Motion by Councillor Vassilakos

Seconded by Councillor Burbach

THAT the Addendum to the Regular Agenda of Council and Standing Committees dated February 14, 2022, to add:

- **a delegation and receipt of correspondence to Item 6.1 of the Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Committee agenda;**
- and**
- **receipt of correspondence to Item 4.1 of the Planning and Heritage Committee agenda,**

be added to the Agenda as printed.

Carried

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

5.1 At the February 2, 2022, Session, under the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, a matter concerning the following item was considered:

3.1 Good Governance Education and Training Session - A meeting of a council or local board or of a committee of either of them may be closed to the public if the following conditions are both satisfied:

1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.
2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 103 (1). (section 239.(3.1)).

As the purpose of the In-camera Session was to provide education and training no direction was given.

5.2 At the February 9, 2022, Session, under the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, a matter concerning the following item was considered:

3.1 Closed Meetings Education and Training Session - A meeting of a council or local board or of a committee of either of them may be closed to the public if the following conditions are both satisfied:

1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.
2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 103 (1). (section 239.(3.1)).

As the purpose of the In-camera Session was to provide education and training no direction was given.

5.3 February 14, 2022, Committee of the Whole In-camera Session

The February 14, 2022, Committee of the Whole In-camera Session was cancelled.

6. Hearings of Deputations and Presentations:

6.1 Presentation by KPMG - Update on Business Process Review: Facilities Data Collection Strategy

R2022-27

Motion by Councillor Bunting

Seconded by Councillor Ingram

THAT the presentation by Bruce Peever, Lead Engagement Partner and Sana Malik, Project Manager, on behalf of KPMG be heard.

Carried

Bruce Peever, Lead Engagement Partner and Sana Malik, Project Manager of KPMG, referring to a PowerPoint presentation, provided information on the Business Process Review: Facilities Data Collection Strategy. Highlights of the presentation included:

- being engaged by the City to perform a business process review, identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges and generate actionable recommendations for data collection that can be integrated into daily staff responsibilities;
- the project being conducted with the following principles in mind:
 - knowledge and expertise of staff;
 - engaging city employees;
 - transferring knowledge and tools to staff to enable them to better develop their own solutions; and
 - based on leading practices from other municipalities, levels of government and the private sector.
- phases of the work, which began in November and completed in February, being noted; and,
- a summary of findings including sixteen observations and data collection strategy recommendations being noted.

The Chief Administrative Officer thanked KPMG for their work and leadership on the project. Clear results were achieved and it was noted staff are looking forward to implementing the recommendations and working together to move forward as part of the service delivery review initiative.

R2022-28

Motion by Councillor Vassilakos

Seconded by Councillor Gaffney

THAT Council approves the Business Process Review: Facilities Data Collection Strategy by KPMG;

THAT the Business Process Review: Facilities Data Collection Strategy be referred to the Corporate Leadership Team to review and implement;

AND THAT any Facilities Business Process Review recommendations with unfunded budget implications be brought to Council for consideration prior to implementation.

A question and answer period ensued between members and staff with respect to:

- the purpose of the exercise being to compile data, integrate into a single space and then analyze the data to guide future decisions;
- the data being collected to be linked to Council's strategic priorities and the City's asset management plan;
- the data being used to guide staff recommendations and future decision making of Council once analyzed; and
- staff reviewing the analysis and bringing forth a recommendation to Council in the future on resource requirements which may include a new or a repurposed position.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on the motion.

Carried

6.2 Presentation by United Way Perth Huron

R2022-29

Motion by Councillor Henderson

Seconded by Councillor Ingram

THAT the presentation by Ryan Erb, Executive Director, and Elizabeth Cooper, Community Development Manager, on behalf of the United Way-Perth Huron be heard.

Carried

Ryan Erb, Executive Director, and Elizabeth Cooper, Community Development Manager, of the United Way-Perth Huron provided information on their current initiatives and thanked the City for its workplace campaign and ongoing support. Referring to a PowerPoint presentation, highlights of the presentation included:

- being united with the City of Stratford to show local love;
- current local issues identified as "unignorable" including poverty, homelessness, mental health, domestic violence, hunger, and social isolation;
- the City's contribution being \$53,963 to the United Way campaign and helping those across Perth, Huron, and Stratford;
- the Stratford & Area Community Committee being a new committee helping to work towards the goals of the United Way;
- the Urgent Needs Fund helping individuals in times of crises, being accessible through United Way 211 and working in partnership with Stratford Social Services;
- the Stratford Connection Centre addressing gaps and challenges of homelessness in the community;
- the Community Renewal Company being a new program that is working towards increasing community housing starts;
- the 2022 fundraising goal of the Coldest Night of the Year event being \$126k;
- reports being available online regarding various issues such as mental health, basic income, and supportive housing;
- a new report on the future of housing and the income problem to be available in the future;
- an overview of new Living Wage employers being provided; and
- the 211 database including an overview of services available for access by individuals in need.

The United Way was thanked for their presentation and all of their work.

7. Orders of the Day:

7.1 Resolution - Request to allow for a Minor Variance application for 1041 Erie Street (COU22-010)

R2022-30

Motion by Councillor Ingram

Seconded by Councillor Vassilakos

THAT Mike Eldebs be permitted to submit a minor variance application to the Committee of Adjustment for the lands located at 1041 Erie Street.

It was questioned why the request is to allow a minor variance application to be submitted to the Committee of Adjustment instead of having Council consider the request. The Manager of Planning advised Council considered a Zoning By-law amendment application for this site one year ago. On the site plan, the front yard setback for the existing building was incorrectly measured for the Zoning By-law amendment. The options available to the owner are to reapply for a Zoning By-law amendment or given the scope, to apply for a minor variance, subject to Council approval.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on the motion.

Carried

7.2 Resolution - Inclusion of Ongoing Zoning By-law Amendments into the Final Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law (COU22-011)

R2022-31

Motion by Councillor Ingram

Seconded by Councillor Sebben

THAT, pending no appeals being filed and received and upon coming into full force and effect, the following Zoning By-law Amendment be incorporated into the new Comprehensive Zoning By-law:

- 1. 4117 Perth Line 36 as Zone Exception 15.4.28 and on Schedule A, Map 2a.**

Carried

7.3 Correspondence - Ontario Good Roads Association

Members were advised the Good Roads Board of Directors has recommended a slate of candidates to fill current vacancies on the Board.

Anyone currently serving on Council or employed in a full time capacity with a Good Roads member municipality or First Nation and who wishes to contest the recommended slate may file a nomination form which will result in an election to be held at the Good Roads Annual Conference on Tuesday, April 12, 2022. Nominations must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. Friday, February 25, 2022.

Provided for the information of Council.

7.4 Resolution - 2022 Budget Adoption and By-Law (COU22-012)

R2022-32

Motion by Councillor Gaffney

Seconded by Councillor Vassilakos

THAT Council approve the 2022 operating and capital budget, including the changes to the capital projects noted in the report of the Acting Director of Corporate Services dated February 14, 2022 (COU22-012).

A member questioned the idea that members of the public with sufficient qualifications would not apply for a contract position. A request was made to hire the Coordinator position for an 18 month term with the possibility of an extension. There was no seconder for this motion.

A member stated they would not support the motion due to the tax increase. The Acting Director of Corporate Services was thanked for her time and how the information was presented throughout the budget process. Members of Council and the Chair of the Finance and Labour Relations Committee were also thanked.

It was questioned what the final tax levy increase is for 2022 and whether it would increase because of the changes noted in Report COU22-012. The Acting Director of Corporate Services advised the tax levy increase is not being approved at this meeting. The 2022 funds to be raised from taxation is 7.6% higher than in 2021.

A member noted they were opposed to the motion.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on the motion.

Carried

7.5 Correspondence - Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law

R2022-33

Motion by Councillor Clifford

Seconded by Councillor Ingram

THAT the correspondence from the Stratford and Area Builder's Association dated October 14, 2021 regarding the Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law be received for information.

Carried

8. Business for Which Previous Notice Has Been Given:

None scheduled.

9. Reports of the Standing Committees:

9.1 Report of the Planning and Heritage Committee:

R2022-34

Motion by Councillor Ritsma

Seconded by Councillor Vassilakos

THAT the Report of the Planning and Heritage Committee dated February 14, 2022 be adopted as printed.

A request was made to take Item 9.1.2 separately.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on 9.1.1 and 9.1.3.

Carried

On Item 9.1.2, a member stated they were not opposed to the development but that the density should be increased. The Manager of Planning provided information on the principles of higher density locations and where appropriate locations are versus other areas in the City. The Manager also noted this area has a limit on the permitted density because of physical infrastructure restraints.

A member advised the general vegetation overview and impact assessment notes 533 trees are proposed to be removed and expressed concern with the removal. The member noted that it will be addressed as part of the site plan application and that they hope the developer has given consideration for retaining existing mature trees.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on 9.1.2.

Carried

9.1.1 Planning Report – Modification to Draft Approved Plan of Subdivision 31T18-003, 4178 Perth Line 36 (PLA22-001)

THAT the draft conditions of approval of plan of subdivision 31T18-003 be modified as follows:

Revise Condition #1 to read:

This draft approval applies to the draft plan submitted by Zelinka Priamo Ltd., prepared by MTE, certified by Trevor McNeil O.L.S., Drawing No. DP1 dated Nov. 21/2019, as red line amended, which shows a total of 99 single detached residential lots, 1 multiple unit development block, 1 park block, 1 access block, 2 stormwater management blocks, 3 open space blocks, 2 road widenings blocks and 6-0.3m reserve blocks all served by 2 new local streets.

Revise Condition #15 to read:

The Owner shall dedicate all 0.3 m reserve block (Blocks 108 to 113, both inclusive) to the City of Stratford free of encumbrances, to the satisfaction of the City.

PARKLAND

Revise Condition #22 to read:

The Owner shall dedicate Block 106 to the City of Stratford for Park purposes and pay the City cash-in-lieu for 0.731 ha of parkland pursuant to the provisions of Section 51.1 of the Planning Act. The dedication of Block 106 and cash-in-lieu for 0.731 ha shall satisfy the parkland dedication requirements for all lands within the boundary of this draft plan and within the boundary of draft approval 31T-12001A. All costs associated shall be borne by the Owner.

Revise Condition #23 to read:

In conjunction with the submission of engineering drawings, the Owner shall submit park design and grading and servicing plans, for review and approval by the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services, which accommodate an east-west pathway on Blocks 103 and 105 to the satisfaction of the Director of Community Services and the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services.

Revise Condition #24 to read:

The Owner shall grade, service and seed Block 106 within one year of final approval of the appropriate phase, to the satisfaction of the Director of Community Services and the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services.

Trails/Bikeways/Pedestrian Easements

Revise Condition #27 to read:

Prior to final approval, the Owner shall dedicate a blanket easement for public access through Blocks 103, 104, 105 & 107 in favour of the City to the satisfaction of the Manager Development Services.

STORMWATER SERVICING:

Revise Condition #33 to read:

Concurrent with final approval of the plan, the Owner shall provide all required and adequate land dedications related to the stormwater works, including Blocks 101 & 102, satisfactory to the City.

TRANSPORTATION:

Revise Condition #50i)b) to read:

The Owner shall construct a 1.5 metres (5') sidewalk on the following streets to the satisfaction of the City Engineer within a time-frame as directed by the City Engineer:

b) Street 'B' - abutting the exterior side yard of lot 60 and the frontage of lots 59 to 75 including Blocks 100, 102 and 106.

Connecting Roads/Terminations

Revise Condition #54 to read:

The Owner shall convey road widening Blocks 114 and 115 to the City of Stratford free of encumbrances and at no cost to the City to the satisfaction of the City.

Delete condition #55

Conservation Regulation Area And FLOODPLAIN

Revise Condition #60 to read:

The regrading and channelization of Blocks 103, 104 and 105 is to be completed all at once generally in keeping with the Master Drainage Plan prepared by McCormick Rankin Corporation and approved report, 2007 to the satisfaction of the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services and Upper Thames River Conservation Authority. No works shall be completed in contravention of the Drainage Act.

Revise Condition #61 to read:

Channelization and regrading within Blocks 103, 104 and 105 is to occur prior to any excavation or regrading within the existing flood plain limits to ensure flood storage is maintained. The Owner agrees to provide certification the channelization and regrading noted above has been completed in accordance with the approved plans to the satisfaction of the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services and Upper Thames River Conservation Authority.

9.1.2 Planning Report, Official Plan Amendment OPA01-21 and Zoning By-law Amendment Z01-21 for 4117 Perth Line 36 (PLA22-002)

Official Plan Amendment:

THAT the application OP01-21 to amend the Official Plan designation on the subject lands by amending Schedule "A" to a 'Medium Density Residential Area-Special' designation to permit a range of residential uses at a density of 16-100 units per net hectare; permit a maximum height of 6 storeys for apartment dwellings and 4 storeys for other residential uses; to designate a portion of the lands 'Parks and Open Space'; and to alter the 'Regulatory Flood Hazard' limit and to amend Schedule "B" by altering the 'Regulatory Flood Hazard' limit, and UTRCA Regulation limit BE APPROVED.

Zoning By-law Amendment:

THAT the application Z01-21 to amend the zoning on the subject lands from Agriculture in the Township of Perth East Zoning By-law 30-1999 to:

- Residential Fourth Density R4(2)-29(H1) and a Residential Fourth Density R4(2)-30(H1)(H2) zone that permits cluster townhouse dwellings, single detached, semi-detached, townhouses, triplex dwellings, back-to-back townhouses, and stacked townhouses and apartment dwelling units with two sets of site specific regulations (one for apartment dwellings and the other for all other permitted uses), height, minimum and maximum density, parking, setbacks from public roads, lot coverage, landscaped open space, and setbacks,
- Park (P) zone that permits auditorium, cemetery, golf course, park, private club, private club, public use, recreational park and a theatre,
- Park- Floodplain (P-FP) zone that permits auditorium, cemetery, golf course, park, private club, private club, public use, recreational park and a theatre. These lands are below the regulatory flood line and subject to the requirements of the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority with respect to the erection of buildings and structures,

Be APPROVED.

Approval of the Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment is recommended because:

1. public interest was considered;
2. the request is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement;
3. the request is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Official Plan;
4. the recommended zone change will facilitate development that is appropriate for the lands, will not impact surrounding lands and is considered to be sound land use planning;
5. it will provide a wide range of housing to meet the needs of the existing and future residents and
6. the recommended zone change will encourage efficient use of land and planned infrastructure.

9.1.3 Final Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the City of Stratford (PLA21-023)

THAT Council adopt the new Comprehensive Zoning By-law dated August 24, 2021, as amended;

THAT Council repeal City of Stratford Comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 201-2000 in its entirety;

THAT Council repeal the Township of Perth East Zoning By-law No. 30-1999 as it applies to those lands located within City limits in its entirety;

THAT Council repeal the Township of Perth South Zoning By-law No. 4-1999 as it applies to those lands located within City limits with the exception of the 2020 annexation lands;

THAT Council, in accordance with Section 34 (10.0.0.2) of the Planning Act, declare that all zoning by-law amendment applications may be submitted before the second anniversary of the day this By-law is adopted and the previous By-laws are replaced;

THAT the Comprehensive Zoning By-law contain amended zoning for 94 Dickens Place being a R5(1) zone with site specific regulations for a maximum height of 15 metres and a maximum density of 100 units per hectare;

AND THAT Council direct staff to prepare a licensing by-law for Short Term Rental Accommodations.

Council takes the actions above for the following reasons:

- The actions above have regard for the Planning Act and are consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement;
- The actions above implement and conform with the City of Stratford Official Plan;
- The actions above are the result of a comprehensive public consultation process that included
 - over 150 individuals attending one of 4 open houses or the statutory public meeting,

- approximately 150 individuals who provided feedback and/or requested to be kept informed of the process (on the mailing list);
 - discussions with stakeholder groups; and
 - offered feedback through the City's Shaping Stratford web-page;
 - The new Comprehensive By-law will be more user friendly; and
- The new Comprehensive By-law is considered appropriate and will result in sound land use planning.

9.2 Report of the Social Services Committee

R2022-35

Motion by Councillor Henderson

Seconded by Councillor Bunting

THAT the Report of the Social Services Committee dated February 14, 2022 be adopted as printed.

Carried

9.2.1 Information on Workforce Funding for Child Care and Early Years (SOC22-002)

THAT the report titled "Information on Workforce Funding for Child Care and Early Years" (SOC22-002) be received for information.

9.2.2 2021 Homeless Enumeration Results (SOC22-001)

THAT the report titled "2021 Homeless Enumeration Results" (SOC22-001) be received for information.

9.2.3 Coordinated Response for those Unsheltered (SOC22-003)

THAT the report titled "Coordinated Response for those Unsheltered" (SOC22-003) be received for information.

9.3 Report of the Community Services Committee

R2022-36

Motion by Councillor Beatty

Seconded by Councillor Vassilakos

THAT the Report of the Community Services Committee dated February 14, 2022 be adopted as printed.

A request was made for an update to be provided on the reduction of the use of pesticides at the Municipal Golf Course. The Director of Community Services advised an update would be provided at a future meeting.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on the motion.

Carried

9.3.1 Golf Course 2022 Budget and Fee Schedule (COM22-001)

THAT the 2022 Municipal Golf Course Budget and Fee Schedule be approved as presented.

10. Notice of Intent:

10.1 Notice of Public Meeting under the Development Charges Act

Notice was given that Stratford City Council will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom, to hear all interested persons with respect to the proposed Development Charges By-law and background study. Additional information, including a copy of the proposed Development Charges By-law and background study, were available on the City's website or by contacting the Clerk's Office.

11. Reading of the By-laws:

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

R2022-37

Motion by Councillor Vassilakos

Seconded by Councillor Ritsma

THAT By-laws 9-2022 to 12-2022 be taken collectively.

A request was made to take Items 11.2 and 11.4 separately. A second request was made for a recorded vote to be taken for Item 11.4.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on taking By-laws 9-2022 and 10-2022 collectively.

Carried unanimously

R2022-38

Motion by Councillor Ingram

Seconded by Councillor Burbach

THAT By-laws 9-2022 and 10-2022 be read a First and Second Time.

Carried two-thirds support

R2022-39

Motion by Councillor Clifford

Seconded by Councillor Beatty

THAT By-laws 9-2022 and 10-2022 be read a Third Time and Finally Passed.

Carried

R2022-40

Motion by Councillor Bunting

Seconded by Councillor Beatty

THAT By-law 11-2022 be read a First and Second Time.

Carried two-thirds support

R2022-41

Motion by Councillor Ingram

Seconded by Councillor Ritsma

THAT By-law 11-2022 be read a Third Time and Finally Passed.

Carried

R2022-42

Motion by Councillor Gaffney

Seconded by Councillor Burbach

THAT By-law 12-2022 be read a First and Second Time.

Carried two-thirds support

R2022-43

Motion by Councillor Gaffney

Seconded by Councillor Henderson

THAT By-law 12-2022 be read a Third Time and Finally Passed.

In Support (9): Councillor Bunting, Councillor Vassilakos, Councillor Ingram, Councillor Burbach, Mayor Mathieson, Councillor Henderson, Councillor Beatty, Councillor Ritsma, and Councillor Gaffney.

Opposed (2): Councillor Sebben and Councillor Clifford.

Carried

11.1 Adoption of Official Plan Amendment No. 31 - By-law 9-2022

To adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 31 to redesignate the subject lands from "Residential Area", "Parks and Open Space", "Regulatory Flood Hazard" and "Medium Density Residential" to "Parks and Open Space".

11.2 Amend Zoning By-law 201-2000 to rezone lands known municipally as Part Lots 3 and 4, Concession 2 (Geographic Township of Ellice) - By-law 11-2022

To amend Zoning By-law 201-2000 as amended, with respect to Zone Change Application Z01-21 to rezone part of Part Lots 3 and 4, Concession 2, (Geographic Township of Ellice), City of Stratford to a Residential Fourth Density R4(2) zone with site specific regulations.

11.3 Adoption of Comprehensive Zoning By-law - By-law 10-2022

To adopt a Comprehensive Zoning By-law to regulate the use of land and the character, location and use of buildings and structures in the City of Stratford and to **repeal** By-law 201-2000 and all amendments thereto, and The Township of Perth East By-law 30-1999, and any amendments thereto as it relates to lands within the corporate limits of the City of Stratford, and The Township of Perth South By-law 4-1999, and any amendments thereto as it relates to lands within the corporate limits of the City of Stratford, excluding provisions for the lands annexed to the City of Stratford in 2020.

11.4 Adoption of 2022 Budget - By-law 12-2022

To adopt the budget (estimates of revenues and expenditures) for tax supported and user pay purposes for the year 2022.

12. Consent Agenda: CA-2022-009 to CA-2022-019

12.1 CA-2022-017

A request was made to endorse the resolution from the Town of Ajax that was outlined in the correspondence from No Nuisance Noise Ontario.

R2022-44

Motion by Councillor Burbach

Seconded by Councillor Bunting

THAT CA-2022-017, being a resolution from the Town of Ajax regarding the proclamation of section 75.1 of the Highway Traffic Act, the setting of a maximum decibel count for exhaust systems, the provision of funding for police services in Ontario to be equipped with the approved decibel monitor, be endorsed.

A member noted complaints and concerns have been received from citizens regarding this issue and that it has gotten worse during the pandemic. It was questioned whether this is covered under a current by-law or law. Members were advised the Highway Traffic Act details what is permitted, and the request is to place a decibel limit and increase fines and enforcement to meet expectations of neighbourhoods.

Mayor Mathieson called the question on the motion.

Carried

13. New Business:

13.1 Process to Report a Concern or Constructive Criticism

A member outlined how to provide constructive criticism and feedback to the City. Members of the public were encouraged to contact staff directly if there is a complaint or concern. The member also provided information on good news stories that relate to transit staff including, but not limited to:

- stopping at a house fire to knock on doors and permitting residents to stay on the bus to keep warm;
- purchasing food and water for members of the public in distress, requiring these items or for officers directing traffic;
- returning items of value and groceries left on the bus to patrons; and
- providing education and training on how to use the transit system and assisting persons with disabilities when using the system.

13.2 United Way-Perth Huron and the Coldest Night of the Year Event

A member thanked the United Way-Perth Huron. The member stated the team consisting of members of Council that are participating in the Coldest Night of the Year event are just one team. Members of the public were thanked for their generosity in donating to this event and ways to participate were noted.

14. Adjournment to Standing Committees:

The next Regular Council meeting is February 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

R2022-45

Motion by Councillor Ingram

Seconded by Councillor Burbach

THAT the Council meeting adjourn to convene into Standing Committees as follows:

- **Planning and Heritage Committee [7:05 p.m. or thereafter following the Regular Council meeting];**
- **Finance and Labour Relations Committee [7:10 p.m. or thereafter following the Regular Council meeting];**
- **Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Committee [7:15 p.m. or thereafter following the Regular Council meeting];**

and to Committee of the Whole if necessary, and to reconvene into Council.

Carried

15. Council Reconvene:

15.1 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest made at Standing Committees

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 otherwise comply with the Act.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest made at Standing Committee meetings held on February 14, 2022 with respect to the following Items and re-stated at the reconvene portion of the Council meeting:

Name, Item and General Nature of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations of pecuniary interest were made by a member at the February 14, 2022, Reconvene Council meeting.

15.2 Reading of the By-laws (reconvene):

The following By-law required First and Second Readings and Third and Final Readings:

By-law 11.5 Confirmatory By-law 13-2022

To confirm the proceedings of Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford at its meeting held on February 14, 2022.

R2022-46

Motion by Councillor Sebben

Seconded by Councillor Henderson

THAT By-laws By-law 13-2022 be read a First and Second Time.

Carried two-thirds support

R2022-47

Motion by Councillor Gaffney

Seconded by Councillor Bunting

THAT By-laws By-law 13-2022 be read a Third Time and Finally Passed.

Carried

15.3 Adjournment of Council Meeting

R2022-48

Motion by Councillor Clifford

Seconded by Councillor Ingram

THAT the February 14, 2022 Regular Council meeting adjourn.

Carried

Meeting Start Time: 7:00 P.M.

Meeting End Time: 8:00 P.M.

Reconvene Meeting Start Time: 9:28 P.M.

Reconvene Meeting End Time: 9:29 P.M.

Mayor - Daniel B. Mathieson

Clerk - Tatiana Dafoe