

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN

COUNCIL MINUTES

MEETING NO. FOURTEEN September 27, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Township Administration Building 318 Canborough Street, Smithville, Ontario

Council:	Mayor Dave Bylsma	
	Councillor Shelley Bradaric	
	Councillor Cheryl Ganann	
	Councillor Harold Jonker	
	Councillor Mike Rehner	
	Councillor William Reilly	
	Councillor Jason Trombetta	
Staff:	Joanne Scime, Clerk	
	Bev Hendry, CAO	
	Brian Treble, Director of Planning and Building	
Others:	Regional Councillor Albert Witteveen	
	Carolyn Ryall, Niagara Region*	
	Beth Brens, Niagara Region*	
	Frank Tassone, Niagara Region*	

* IN ATTENDANCE PART TIME

1. SINGING OF "O CANADA"

Prior to commencing with the Council meeting, Mayor Bylsma provided the following announcements:

- Due to efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 and to protect all individuals, and to comply with the Province's state of emergency order, the Council Chambers are not open to the public to attend Council Meetings until further notice.
- 2. As noted on this evening's agenda, any Members of the Public who wanted to provide comments, could do so at the meeting under the "Request to Address Items in the Agenda" or by emailing the Clerk by 4:30 pm today.

Please note that any email comments submitted are considered to be public information and will be read into public record later in the agenda.

- 3. Any Members of the Public could attend this evening's Council meeting virtually by contacting the Clerk by email prior to 4:30 p.m. day to request a Zoom invitation to the meeting.
- 4. This meeting was being audio and video recorded and will be posted on the Township's web site within 48 hours.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Mayor Bylsma read the following Land Acknowledgement statement:

On behalf of the Members of Council and staff, we wish to acknowledge this land on which the Township of West Lincoln operates. The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabeg peoples and is still home to many indigenous people today. We are grateful to have the opportunity to work here today and to follow the Haudenosaunee system of blending laws and values and the Anishinaabe beliefs to strive to live in harmony and balance throughout the Municipality. We acknowledge that we are all treaty people and accept our responsibility to honour all our relations.

3. OPENING PETITION - Councillor Harold Jonker

4. CHANGE IN ORDER OF ITEMS ON AGENDA

There were no changes in order of items on the agenda.

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

There were no Members of Council that declared a pecuniary interest and/or conflict of interest.

6. REQUEST TO ADDRESS ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

The Chair inquired if the IT Manager was aware if there were any members of the public 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 Manager confirmed there were not.

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

7. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Carolyn Ryall & Beth Brens, Niagara Region Re: 1-5 year Transportation Capital Budget Outlook

Carolyn Ryall, Director, Niagara Region Transportation Services Division, thanked Township Council for the opportunity to present Niagara Region's Draft 1 to 5 Year Transportation Capital Forecast as it relates to projects and programs that will be undertaken in the Municipality of West Lincoln. Ms. Ryall advised that joining her this evening was Frank Tassone, Associate Director, Niagara Region Transportation Engineering and Pam Miltenberg, Niagara Region Transportation Specialist Co-Ordinator. Ms. Ryall reviewed the PowerPoint Presentation which was attached to the agenda being the Niagara Region's Transportation Services Capital Projects One to Five Year Overview, the 10 Year Capital Outlook as well as Safety Initiatives and Regional Visionary items that will have a direct impact on the Township moving forward. Ms. Ryall advised that at a later date she will be returning to a Council Meeting in order to provide an overview and request approval of the Region's Vision Zero Safety Program; unfortunately additional work was needed and she was unable to make a presentation this evening and she noted that she would be working with the Clerk's Department to coordinate a presentation at a future meeting. Ms. Ryall explained that the Region's guiding document for all new network expansion projects is the Transportation Master Plan and how staff budget to move these projects forward with each of the different municipalities. Ms. Ryall advised that within the one to five year draft capital outlook the Region will be looking to invest approximately \$40 million dollars in the Township of West Lincoln provided the projects move forward in the capital improvement budget. Ms. Ryall advised that in 2022 there are three projects that are on the radar that will be brought forward for Regional Council's consideration which equates to approximately \$3.35 million dollars. Ms. Ryall provided some context with respect to the Regional Road 20 Smithville Bypass study and she felt it was fair to say that this was identified in the Region's Transportation Master Plan which was approved in 2017 and that she was aware that this was being led by the Township's Planning staff along with the Region's Planning Department and the Transportation Division, who will be providing comments as to next steps which will include budgeting accordingly for any upcoming studies or any other work that the Region will need to undertake in order to move this project forward.

Mr. Tassone provided a review of each of the specific capital projects that are being proposed as part of the Region's draft 1 to 5 Year Capital Forecast including the following intersection improvement programs being at: (1) Regional Road 14 (Thirty Road) at Young Street (environmental assessment, road re-alignment, interim safety measures) and (2) Regional Road 24 (Victoria Avenue) at Regional Road 63 (Canborough Road) (detailed design, retain a consultant to look at a couple of different treatments, intersection control study). Mr. Tassone reviewed the following 1 to 5 Year Road Rehabilitation projects including: (1) Regional Road 2 (Caistorville Road) from the Regional boundary to Concession 1 Road (full reconstruction, detailed design underway), (2) Regional Road

20 (West Street) from South Grimsby Road 5 to Wade Road (a joint project, Township completing sewer and water main, drawings nearly complete), (3) Regional Road 20 (St. Catharine Street) from Griffin Street to Industrial Park Road (a joint project with the Township, includes water main upgrades, detailed design underway, buried infrastructure, road platform upgrades to include active transportation, last phase of the Regional Road 20 corridor), (4) Regional Road 63 (Canborough Road) from Regional Road 27 (Wellandport Road) to the Wellandport Community Centre (preliminary design underway, road platform deficiencies, upgrading the area with urbanization and active transportation and taking into consideration the Township's landscape and streetscape master plan work); and, (5) Regional Road 69 (Twenty Mile Road) from Regional Road 24 (Victoria Avenue) to Mountain Road (upgraded in two phases with the first phase being part of the 1 to 5 year forecast). Mr. Tassone reviewed the 1 to 5 Year Structure Rehabilitation Programs, which included the following projects: (1) York Road Culvert (the detailed design process will determine if a rehabilitation or reconstruction), (2) Warner Road Bridge (full replacement), (3) Regional Road 20 CPR Subway Bridge (ownership issues between CPR Rail and Niagara Region need to be addressed, further studies to be undertaken); and, (4) Beaver Creek Bridge (design underway). Mr. Tassone reviewed the projected 6 to 10 year Structure Rehabilitation project forecast which included (1) Ellis Bridge and Caistorville Road Bridge (both structures will be undertaken at the same time, rehabilitation or replacement will be determined from future studies), (2) Thirty Road Bridge (full replacement); and, (3) Canborough Road Bridge (full replacement).

Ms. Ryall highlighted a number of safety initiatives and projects including the Vision Zero Road Safety project which will include red light cameras and automated speed enforcement throughout Niagara Region. Ms. Rvall noted that it was hoped that this project will be up and running in 2022; however, she noted that the Region will be visiting each of the local area municipalities (LAMS), including West Lincoln, to make a presentation at which time the Region will be requesting all 12 LAMS to sign off on the inter-municipal agreement changes (how the program will run, roles and responsibilities between the Region and the LAM). Ms. Ryall advised that some of the other interim safety initiatives that are being undertaken are: (1) increased/enhanced pavement line marking and crosswalks (annual program), (2) speed display trailer (tool used to addressed speeding concerns); and, (3) sign installations (additional signs to assist driver awareness). Ms. Ryall reviewed some of the Regional Visionary programs being (1) the Complete Streets, (2) Regional Wayfinding (will be brought forward after the Complete Streets program); and, (3) Niagara-Hamilton Trade Corridor (seek funding for the first phase).

Councillor Harold Jonker noted concerns with respect to the traffic roundabouts at each end of the entrance into the urban area of Smithville,

specifically with respect to complaints that he has received with regarding the design of the roundabouts and the difficulty (tight radius) that large truck drivers are having to maneuver their truck and trailer around the roundabout, more particularly the east roundabout at Townline Road and Regional Road 20, which he has also experienced as a transport truck owner and operator. Councillor Jonker advised that he has directed anyone that has contacted him to call Niagara Region to make their complaints; however, he was unsure if this has been done and he wanted Regional Staff to be aware of the concerns to try and address this for construction of future roundabouts.

In response to Councillor Jonker's concerns, Ms. Ryall advised that Regional staff would like to receive any feedback and encouraged anyone having questions or concerns to contact her. Ms. Ryall stated that the Region will be launching an education campaign in 2022 that will be directed towards all users of roundabouts (motorists, cyclists, pedestrians).

Mr. Tassone confirmed that the Region has received one or two comments from trucking companies with respect to maneuvering around the roundabouts and this information is evaluated and taken into consideration for future constructed roundabouts. Mr. Tassone advised that each roundabout can be different as it depends on the geometry that it was built on; however, he noted that every roundabout has been designed to accommodate for the largest type of truck that would use a Regional Road. Mr. Tassone noted that not all roundabouts are the same because of the geometry as the legs of the roundabouts may have different angles depending on the surrounding roadways and the Region looks to make improvements in this regard and encourages any feedback for future consideration.

Councillor Jonker advised that he would send an email to either Mr. Tassone or Ms. Ryall to invite Regional staff to go on a ride with him in his large transport truck to demonstrate the challenges of the roundabouts that have been constructed at each end of the urban area of Smithville.

In response to Councillor Bradaric's concerns, Ms. Ryall provided further overview of the Region's Complete Streets initiative and what would be addressed as part of this guide including AODA requirements in order to ensure accessibility for all individuals with various disabilities and/or needs.

Councillor Ganann advised that she has received comments from older individuals that they find the signalized crosswalks are too quick especially for those individuals using a walker and she questioned if the timing of the crosswalks are being considered as part of the AODA requirements.

Ms. Ryall advised that the Region's Transportation Division has some very good information that she would send to the Clerk which could be shared

that addresses the amount of additional time that a person, using a signalized crosswalk, has to get across the roadway. Ms. Ryall stated that the Region was using the guidelines provided by the Ministry of Transportation; however, she noted that Regional staff can look at a specific intersection and undertake a re-calculation and if staff are able to increase the duration they would be happy to do so. Ms. Ryall suggested that anyone that has any concerns with respect to the timing of the crosswalks to reach out to her to try and address the concern.

Regional Councillor Witteveen advised of concerns with respect to Regional Road 69, which he had recently driven on during a rainstorm and found the condition of the road to be challenging (i.e. pooling water, soft shoulders) and due to the deterioration of this road he did not feel it could wait for rehabilitation/construction for another two years and asked that this project be addressed next year. Regional Councillor Witteveen questioned whether Niagara Regional staff have spoken with City of Hamilton staff as it relates to their Transportation Master Plan, specifically as it relates to Westbrook Road possibly becoming a truck route.

Ms. Ryall confirmed that she has spoken with Hamilton staff who are working on the City's Transportation Master Plan (TMP) as it relates to the boundary connection points and noted approximately a week ago she had shared information relating to the Region's TMP, specifically in regards to how to get the two regional road networks lined up with each other's infrastructure. Ms. Ryall advised that she has also been in contact with Township staff with respect to the concerns that have been raised by the Township and its residents as it relates to Westbrook Road and she assured Council that the Region was actively engaged into this issue.

Mayor Bylsma thanked Ms. Ryall, Ms. Miltenberg and Mr. Tassone for attending this evening's Council meeting and for their informative presentation.

8. REGIONAL COUNCILLOR'S REMARKS

Regional Councillor Albert Witteveen read from a prepared statement which is attached as Schedule "A" to the minutes. Regional Councillor Witteveen provided an update regarding the following issues:

- Provided an update on the recycling program and advised that Niagara Region will be transitioning into the new program no later than Jan 1, 2024,
- (2) provided an update with respect to the redevelopment/rehabilitation of the Linhaven and Gilmore Long Term Care buildings which are to be completed by the winter of 2023,
- (3) provided an update with respect to a presentation that was made earlier this month with respect to Health Impact Assessment within the Region and how the health of a population was closely tied to the conditions in which people live and work as well as the importance of West Lincoln Community Care and the services it provides to vulnerable people in our community,

- (4) provided an update with respect to a presentation that was made in July regarding the Niagara Region Incentive Review, which will address four priority areas being: (1) affordable housing, (2) employment, (3) brown field remediation and (4) public realm spaces,
- (5) provided an update with respect to a Niagara Conservation Open House he attended in early September which addressed flood plain mapping for Beaver Creek and Big Forks Watersheds; and,
- (6) provided an update with respect to a tour he had taken late last week of the Robert Land Academy facility.

In response to Councillor Reilly's inquiry regarding the construction of a new signalized pedestrian crosswalk along West Street near Wade Road, Regional Councillor Witteveen advised that he and Mayor Bylsma were reassured that the due to the importance and need for a crosswalk to connect with the West Lincoln Community Centre, this project will be completed by the end of this year; however, he noted that he would follow up on this matter with Regional staff on Wednesday.

9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

9.1 Council Minutes - Regular Re: July 26, 2021

> **Moved By** Councillor Shelley Bradaric **Seconded By** Councillor Cheryl Ganann

That, the minutes of the July 26, 2021 regular Council meeting be accepted. **Carried**

9.2 Public Meeting Under the Planning Act Re: Minutes of July 26, 2021

> Moved By Councillor Cheryl Ganann Seconded By Councillor Jason Trombetta

That, the minutes of the public meetings held on July 26, 2021 under Section 34 of the Planning Act, with respect to:

- a. Zoning By-law Amendment Giro Estates 5482 Twenty Mile Road -File No. 1601-010-21
- b. Zoning By-law Amendment Temporary Garden Suite Richard & Anita Merritt -File No. 1601-011-21

be accepted. Carried

9.3 Public Meeting Under the Planning Act Re: Minutes of September 13, 2021 Moved By Councillor Mike Rehner Seconded By Councillor William Reilly

That, the minutes of the public meetings held on September 13, 2021 under Sections 17 & 34 of the Planning Act, with respect to:

- a. Official Plan Amendment Garden Suite Policy Amendment (File No. 1701-003-21); and,
- b. Zoning By-law Amendment Township of West Lincoln Housekeeping Amendments No. 5 (File No. 1601-0012-21);

be accepted.

Carried

10. COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 Deanne MacIntosh

Re: Appointment to the West Lincoln Parade Committee

Moved By Councillor William Reilly **Seconded By** Councillor Shelley Bradaric

- That, the email received from Deanne MacIntosh, dated September 23, 2021 requesting to sit on the West Lincoln Christmas Parade Committee be received; and,
- That, Deanne MacIntosh be appointed as a Member of the West Lincoln Christmas Parade Committee for the remaining term of Council; and,
- That, a by-law be presented to delete Schedule G of By-law 2018-114 and replace it with a new schedule to add Deanne MacIntosh as a Member of the West Lincoln Christmas Parade Committee.

Carried

11. MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Bylsma provided remarks with respect to the following matters:

- (1) AMO Two Day Virtual Conference, which was attended by himself, Councillor Ganann, Councillor Reilly and the CAO. Mayor Bylsma noted that one of the highlights was the delegations the Township had with Attorney General Downey with respect to concerns relating to insurance and liability; Minister of Transportation Caroline Mulroney with respect to the advancement of the north-south crossing; and, Minister of Health Christine Elliott regarding the reconstruction of the new West Lincoln Memorial Hospital, which was expected to commence early Spring.
- (2) Farmers' Market thanked the many participants that have made the West Lincoln Farmers' Market a great success over the last 8 weeks and he thanked Michelle Seaborn, Farmers' Market Coordinator for her hard work and dedication towards this initiative.

Councillor Trombetta stated that he had recently spoken to Ms. Seaborn and that it was his understanding that she will be contacting the CAO with respect to possibly organizing a Christmas Market.

12. REPORT OF COMMITTEE

12.1 Planning/Building/Environmental Committee Re: Minutes of September 13, 2021

> **Moved By** Councillor William Reilly **Seconded By** Councillor Cheryl Ganann

That, the minutes of the open session portion of the September 13, 2021 Planning/Building/Environmental Committee meeting, be accepted, and the recommendations contained therein, be approved; and, That, the confidential minutes relating to the closed session portion of the September 13, 2021 Planning/Building/Environmental Committee meeting be accepted; and that the minutes remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act. **Carried**

12.2 Administration/Finance/Fire Committee Re: Minutes of September 20, 2021

> Moved By Councillor Jason Trombetta Seconded By Councillor Harold Jonker

That, the minutes of the open session portion of the September 20, 2021 Administration/Finance/Fire Committee meeting, be accepted, and the recommendations contained therein, be approved; and, That, the confidential minutes relating to the closed session portion of the September 20, 2021 Administration/Finance/Fire Committee meeting be accepted; and that the minutes remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act. **Carried**

12.3 Public Works/Recreation/Arena Committee Re: Minutes of September 20, 2021

> Moved By Councillor Harold Jonker Seconded By Councillor Jason Trombetta

That, the minutes of the Public Works/Recreation/Arena Committee meeting held on September 20, 2021 be accepted and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved. **Carried**

13. **RECONSIDERATION**

There were no items put forward for reconsideration.

14. NOTICE OF MOTION TO RESCIND

There were no motions to rescind put forward by any Member of Council.

15. OTHER BUSINESS

 15.1 Deputy Treasurer (Katelyn Hall)
 Re: Recommendation Report T-24-2021 - Administrative Amendment to By-law 2004-42

Moved By Councillor Harold Jonker **Seconded By** Councillor Shelley Bradaric

- 1. That, Report T-24-2021, regarding the "Administrative Amendment to By-law 2004-42" dated September 27, 2021, be received for information; and,
- That, By-law 2021-78 be adopted, to allow for Schedule "B" of By-law 2004-42 to be amended to include the previously approved Water on Construction fees.

Carried

- 15.2 By-law Enforcement Officer (Tiana Dominick)
 Re: Memorandum Addition of Open Air Fire Penalties to the Non-Parking
 AMPS By-law
 FOR INFORMATION
- 15.3 Councillor Cheryl Ganann

Re: Acknowledges the Work of the Emergency Operations Centre

Councillor Ganann advised that as Members of Council, we have all been reminded on a few separate occasions during this past year or so, that the EOC, being a non-political body, has been tasked with guiding our municipality through this global pandemic. As frustrating as this may be, the non-political EOC, not our Council has been responsible for studying and assessing the ever-changing directives from the Province and Public Health and determining in a timely manner, the impact of each on and for West Lincoln. Councillor Ganann stated that at the beginning of the pandemic, none of us, including our Senior Staff Members would have expected that we would still be doing this a year and a half later. Councillor Ganann stated that she realized that we are all more than a little tired of dealing with these circumstances; however, she was bringing forward this motion this evening due to the fact that this past week there has been a series of emails and our hard-working staff were put in the position of having their research capabilities criticized, their ethics and responsibility all questioned and the integrity of their collective decisionmaking challenged. Councillor Ganann advised that this was extremely unfair to them and she felt that Council Members needed to publicly acknowledge their dedication to keeping our staff and residents as safe as possible and additionally acknowledge that they are obligated to adhere to both Provincial directives and Public Health recommendations.

Mayor Bylsma stated that he understood the roles, responsibilities, work and commitment of the EOC and noted that other local area municipality Councils have had an opportunity to debate and adopt their EOC policies as he had particular concern that the Township's COVID-19 Vaccination Policy had not been presented to Council for consideration.

Councillor Trombetta advised that he supported the Township EOC and all 47 Media Releases and Policies, such as the Township's Face Covering Policy, COVID Screening Policy and COVID-19 Vaccination Policy have never come to Council for consideration. Councillor Trombetta stated that the EOC was adhering to the Provincial regulations and public health recommendations as well as legislation, in particular the Ontario Health and Safety Act. Councillor Trombetta advised that he was confused by the Mayor's statement and that when he sat on the EOC there were policies that were adopted and implemented by the EOC, without Council approval, and he questioned whether the Mayor was now stating that these policies should have been brought forward by the EOC for Council's consideration.

In response to Councillor Trombetta's question to the CAO regarding whether the EOC's policies should have been forwarded for Council's consideration prior to being implement, the CAO stated over the past year and a half of the pandemic, the EOC has implemented a Work from Home Policy, a Face Covering Policy for both staff and the public, a Community Safety Plan, a COVID-19 Screening Policy and based on these practices the EOC has implemented a Township's Vaccination Policy, which was adopted based on Provincial regulations, legislation and public health guidance. The CAO advised that Mayor Bylsma had advised that there were three municipalities that had brought a Vaccination Policy to their Council for consideration; however, she noted that there was 8 or 9 municipalities whose EOC implemented a workplace vaccination policy.

Councillor Reilly called a point of order as this item was not an opportunity to provide for debate of policies and he felt this was inappropriate at this time.

Councillor Jonker acknowledged the work of the EOC and for the work that they have done.

Councillor Ganann called the question.

Moved By Councillor Cheryl Ganann Seconded By Councillor William Reilly

WHEREAS the Township of West Lincoln's Emergency Operation Centre Management Team, commonly referred to as the EOC, provides the overall management and coordination of local support activities and recovery by gathering together to collectively and collaboratively support the emergency response and manage the consequences of an emergency; and

WHEREAS the EOC has been consistently reviewing provincial regulations since March 2020 regarding the global COVID-19 pandemic, adjusting operations in accordance with the provincial regulations and communicating such changes with Council, Staff and the Community; and,

WHEREAS the Township has an obligation to protect the employees of the organization under the Occupational Health and Safety Act; and,

THAT, the Township of West Lincoln Council acknowledges the time commitment, dedication and collaborative efforts of the CAO and the Township Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and supports their diligent work to protect both its workers and the public from potential health hazards presented by the spread of COVID-19 and its variants, while following the statutory requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, whereby the Township is taking all reasonable steps to ensure a safe and healthy workplace environment for all workers.

	For	Against
Mayor Dave Bylsma	Х	
Councillor Shelley Bradaric	Х	
Councillor Cheryl Ganann	Х	
Councillor Harold Jonker	Х	
Councillor Mike Rehner	Х	
Councillor William Reilly	Х	
Councillor Jason Trombetta	Х	
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Carried (7 to 0)

15.4 Members of Council Re: Council Remarks

- (1) Councillor William Reilly Re: Various Items
 - (i) United Way Flag Raising Ceremony

Councillor Reilly advised that he, as Acting Mayor and Councillor Ganann had attended a Flag Raising Ceremony to raise the United Way Flag.

(ii) New Bandshell at West Lincoln Community Centre

Councillor Reilly advised that he wished to acknowledge the construction of the new bandshell at the West Lincoln Community Centre which was currently underway and he hoped that that the use of the bandshell can be incorporated as part of the Farmers' Market to showcase local talent.

- (2) Councillor Cheryl Ganann Re: Various Matters
 - (i) Fundraising Efforts for West Lincoln Memorial Hospital

Councillor Ganann stated that the Smithville Tim Hortons had raised \$13,000 through their "Smile Cookie" Campaign which will be donated to the WLMH Foundation to be used as part of the new hospital construction project.

(ii) West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Services

Councillor Ganann advised that notice had recently been provided by Hamilton Health Sciences that Obstetrics services at WLMH will resume starting October 1st and that Dr. Andrea Mosher, was joining the hospital as WLMH's newest obstetrician and gynecologist.

(iii) Harvest Routes

Councillor Ganann reminded everyone of Harvest Routes which will host a number of workshops on Friday, October 1st and Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 and it was her understanding that there was a few spots available if there was someone that still wanted to sign up for a workshop.

(iv) Wayne Schilstra's Pumpkin Give Away

Councillor Ganann advised that Wayne Schilstra's Pumpkin Give Away will be held this Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 with all financial and food donations being given to West Lincoln Community Care (WLCC) and Mr. Schilstra has stated that he will be matching, dollar for dollar, any financial donations that are given to WLCC at the event.

(3) Councillor Shelley BradaricRe: Canada's First Truth and Reconciliation Day

Councillor Bradaric advised that this Thursday will be Canada's first day of Truth and Reconciliation where we recognize the ongoing trauma caused by residential schools and remember those that have been lost and their families. It will also be an opportunity to commit to the process of Truth and Reconciliation and justice with First Nation and take action to heal and build a better future together. Councillor Bradaric advised that the community can join an event sponsored by the West Lincoln Public Library on Thursday, September 30th, 2021 at 6 pm to learn more about residential schools and how to support and be a supportive allied. Councillor Bradaric advised that registration to attend the event was limited and advised anyone interested in attending the event to visit the West Lincoln Public Library website for more information.

16. NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

There were no new items of business brought forward by any Member of Council in attendance.

17. BY-LAWS

Moved By Councillor Shelley Bradaric **Seconded By** Councillor Harold Jonker

That, leave be granted to introduce By-laws # 2021-74, 2021-75, 2021-76, 2021-77, 2021-78, 2021-79, 2021-80, 2021-81, 2021-82, 2021-83 and 2021-84 and that the same shall be considered to have been read a first, second, and third time with one reading, and are hereby adopted; and,

That, the Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to sign and affix the Corporate Seal thereto, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding. **Carried**

SUMMARY OF BY-LAWS

17.1 BY-LAW 2021-74

A By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln at its regular meeting held on the 26th day of July, 2021.

17.2 BY-LAW 2021-75

Being a By-law to amend Schedule G of By-law 2018-114 which confirmed various appointments to Boards and Committees Amends By-law 2018-114 Christmas Parade Comm. (remove Bev Packham and add Deanne MacIntosh)

17.3 BY-LAW 2021-76

A By-law to authorize an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln and Griffin Construction for 2021 Hot Mix Spot repair at various locations

17.4 BY-LAW 2021-77

A By-law to authorize an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln and Play Power for the supply and installation of the Dennis Drive Playground equipment

17.5 BY-LAW 2021-78

A By-law to amend By-law 2004-42, as amended, which regulates the supply of water and provides for the imposition and collection of water and wastewater rates - Schedule B Water on Construction Fee

17.6 BY-LAW 2021-79

A By-law to authorize a Site Plan Agreement with Niagara Regional Sportsman Club and any Mortgagees, if applicable, on lands described as Concession 4 Part Lot 15; West Lincoln this plan is not a plan of subdivision with the meaning of the Planning Act.

17.7 BY-LAW 2021-80

Being a By-law to adopt Amendment No. 61 Temporary Use By-law and Garden Suites Policies to the Official Plan for the Township of West Lincoln

17.8 BY-LAW 2021-81

A By-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 2017-70, as amended, of the Township of West Lincoln - Merritt

17.9 BY-LAW 2021-82

A By-law to revoke an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln and Anthony Schipper and Lois Schipper, authorized by By-law 2017-03, for Temporary Residency during construction of a replacement dwelling

17.10 BY-LAW 2021-83

A By-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 2017-70, as amended, of the Township of West Lincoln - Giro

17.11 BY-LAW 2021-84

A By-law to establish a system of Administrative Penalties for Non-Parking Offences within the Township of West Lincoln

18. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

There were no confidential matters.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at the hour of 8:35 p.m.

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JOANNE SCIME, CLERK

MAYOR DAVE BYLSMA

Regional Councillors Report: September 27, 2021 Good evening Mayor, members of council, staff and members of the public. I would like to start by giving you an update on the producer responsibility program for recyclables. The Niagara Region will be transitioning into the new program no later than Jan 1, 2024. From till the transitioning date definition and scope of designated materials will be identified. Collection and accessibility requirements will be identified, management requirements that producers must meet and the transition schedule. During this transitional time (Jan 1,2023-Dec 31, 2025) producers are obligated to maintain existing service levels in Niagara. Post-transition (starting Jan 1 2024) Niagara Region will have no operational program or financial control over the residential Blue-Box program. This new program designed by the Province is estimated based on 2021 funding model to save the Niagara Region 7.8 million annually. Some unknowns are if producers are going to support our Municipal Recycling facility and retain the 100 or so employees that are currently operation the facility in Niagara Falls. I'm sure the Niagara Region waste management staff will be making presentations to Local are municipalities as more is know and we get closer to the transitional dates. In early Aug both Linhaven and Gilmore redevelopment building were

contracted to both be completed by the winter of 2023. This will be great for the citizens of Niagara to have modern facilities for our seniors. In a post COVID situation plenty has been learned and will be incorporated into the new build to protect residences and staff.

Earlier this month we had a presentation to talk about Health Impact Assessment within the region. It was explained how the health of a population is closely tied to the conditions in which people live+work, Two concepts that were explained further were Social Determinants of Health, which in its definition are factors in your life that affect how healthy or sick you are, including your race/ethnicity, gender, sexuality, level of social supports, working and housing conditions, your education, income and more. A Health Impact Assement consists of screening, scoping, assessment, recommendation and monitoring which equals, Health Equity. This again shows the importance of West Lincoln Community care and the services it provides to the vulnerable people in our community as one component. Having access to medical services is very high on the list to monitor and help citizens with there health concerns. As a new Hospital is in the Horizon to again provide these essential services.

In July we had a presentation on the Niagara Region Incentive Review, at

this time there are 150 programs allocating 14million annually. This program

needs to be aligned with regional priorities and responsibilities. It needs to be more reflective to address current and future goals and must be sustainable, clear and accountable. The four priority areas are affordable housing, employment, brown field remediation and the public realm spaces. Though this review of the program it will open up opportunities for West Lincoln as we continue to plan our community moving forward. Earlier Sept I attended a Niagara Conservation open house addressing the flood plain mapping for Beaver Creek and Big Forks water shed. Staff presented to us some preliminary ideas and concepts on the flood plain, with coming back in the springtime with a comprehensive mapping, residences were encouraged to comment but the challenge will in the mapping.

And late last week I had the opportunity to have a tour of Robert Land Academy, Headmaster Ryan Sm id gave me a full tour and showed me a tower that has been built for repelling and climbing, work being done for a fitness trail and other outdoor experiences. A much enjoyed tour and conversation with staff. The academy is a great asset to our community.

And councillors this is my report for September, if any members have any questions I will answer them to the best of my abilities.

Thank-you,

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