



The Corporation of the City of Stratford Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Sub-committee MINUTES

Date: June 26, 2024
Time: 4:30 P.M.
Location: Council Chamber, City Hall

Sub-committee Present: Councillor Burbach - Chair Presiding, Councillor Nijjar - Vice Chair, Councillor Beatty, Councillor McCabe

Regrets: Councillor Hunter

Staff Present: Taylor Crinklaw - Director of Infrastructure Services, Neil Anderson - Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief, Audrey Pascual - Deputy Clerk, Miranda Franken - Council Clerk Secretary

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the Meeting to Order.

Councillor Hunter provided regrets for this meeting.

Land Acknowledgment

Moment of Silent Reflection

Respectful Workplace Policy Statement

2. Disclosure 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

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from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and otherwise comply with the *Act*.

Name, Item and General Nature of Pecuniary Interest

No disclosures of pecuniary interest were made by a Member at the June 26, 2024 Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Sub-committee meeting.

3. Delegations

None scheduled.

4. Report of the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services

4.1 Stratford Landfill Public Input Invite June 2024 (ITS24-012)

Staff Recommendation: THAT Council consider any comments received as part of the Stratford Landfill Public Input June 2024;

AND THAT the report titled Stratford Landfill Public Input Invite June 2024 (ITS24-012) be received for information.

Sub-committee Discussion: The Director of Infrastructure Services provided an overview of the report, highlighting the following:

- Environmental Compliance Approval for the Stratford Landfill Site requiring the public to be invited to provide feedback twice annually;
- one response having been received regarding compost at the Landfill;
- staff aiming to make compost available to residents for the spring gardening session;
- 2024 spring dates not having been met as the compost had not met temperature requirements for safe residential use;
- the contract with TRY Recycling, the company screening the Cities compost, stipulating that compost be provided to the City in the interim should our compost not meet requirements for public use;
- compost having been provided and being available to the general public at the Landfill now; and

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- staff anticipating the City's compost being ready for public use in the coming weeks.

It was noted this year's compost is good quality.

Motion by Councillor McCabe

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AND THAT the report titled Stratford Landfill Public Input Invite June 2024 (ITS24-012) be received for information.

Carried

5. Report of the Director of Community Services

5.1 Exemption to Noise Control By-law 113-79 for a private event held at Memorial Baptist Church in Stratford (ITS24-011)

Staff Recommendation: THAT approval be granted to the event organizers from Memorial Baptist Church, located at 113 Bruce Street, Stratford for an exemption to Noise Control By-law 113-79 for a private event to be held on Saturday, August 10, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. from the following provisions:

- Unreasonable noise [Schedule 1 clause 8]
- The operation of loudspeakers and amplification of sound [Schedule 2 Clause 2]

Sub-committee Discussion:

Motion by Councillor Beatty

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Carried

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6. Department Update

Sub-committee Discussion: The Director of Infrastructure Services provided the following highlights from the department update:

- parking concerns on Well Street having been received from members of the public;
- Well Street being a narrower street and limits to parking may negatively impact parking in the general area due to intensification initiatives such as secondary and garden suites;
- staff not changing parking on streets unless associated with a reconstruction project, as it enables a review of parking and any potential impacts;
- staff recommending that if a review of parking on Well Street were to be completed that the review be completed for the entire neighbourhood as conditions are similar;
- the broader review being more extensive as staff would need to review from a planning perspective how much parking is available for the amount of residents in the area; and
- a further review not being completed unless directed by Council.

Discussion on this matter took place between Sub-committee and staff.

Highlights of the discussion included;

- there being no plan to reconstruct Well Street in the next 5 years and staff intending for the current parking plan to remain unless directed otherwise;
- parking being permitted on some collector streets;
- staff having completed an extensive review of parking signage in 2020 and found the by-law did not align with what was observed on the streets;
- staff having rectified areas where signage should be permitted; and
- staff currently addressing parking concerns as they arise and verify if the concern has been stipulated in the by-law.

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The Director of Infrastructure Services highlighted the following additional items from the department update:

- Erie Street resurfacing project anticipated to start mid July;
- Huron Street line painting anticipated to start near the end of July;
- Perth Line 36 has re-opened as the construction ceased due to higher than anticipated ground water, and work is to be continued at a later date with a road closure anticipated in the fall;
- staff having addressed concerns regarding water security prompted by the Calgary water situation which relies on a single feeder main;
- Stratford having several pumping stations and wells throughout the city which supply water, as well as locations which have redundancy, if a main break were to occur;
- if a main break were to occur staff would isolate the break location, approximately 12 houses would be impacted, and the remainder of the City would have the remaining pumping stations supplying water and pressure;
- staff having several procedures in place to ensure water will continue throughout the City and the risk being low;
- approximately one month ago, the water pollution control plant having encountered higher than anticipated pressure and the emergency release valve, which is connected to avoid pressure buildup, having failed which staff are reviewing;
- two digestives in the facility remaining operational however staff advise this item will have to be addressed before winter 2024 when it will become difficult to manage the sludge coming out of the facility;
- the plant operator, Ontario Clean Water Agency, having engaged contactors to start the preliminary work required to undertake an investigation determining the damage, how to navigate the repair, the cost and extent of repair,
- the work to be done and cost will be dependent on what is observed however the damage is likely to cost a minimum of \$60,000 - \$100,000, with final numbers being included in the consultation report;

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- a Management Report outlining the findings and an action plan being expected to be provided to Council late summer or early fall; and
- staff reviewing the draft Community Climate Action Plan with a Management Report being finalized and expected to be made public for the July 24, 2024 meeting.

7. Advisory Committee/Outside Board Minutes

The following Advisory Committee Minutes were provided for the information of Sub-committee:

- Active Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes of April 24, 2024
- Energy and Environment Advisory Committee Minutes of May 2, 2024
- Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes of May 7, 2024

8. Next Sub-committee Meeting

The next Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Sub-committee meeting is July 24, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Councillor McCabe

Sub-committee Decision: THAT the Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Sub-committee meeting adjourn.

Carried

Meeting Start Time: 4:30 P.M.

Meeting End Time: 4:45 P.M.