AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP MINUTES C.O.W./REGULAR MEETING February 12, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at the Municipal Office, 3560 County Road 26

PRESENT

Mayor Shaver Deputy Mayor Wynands Councillor Bowman Councillor Henry Councillor Pape

PRESS

STAFF PRESENT

Shannon Geraghty, Annette Simonian, Mark McDonald, Chief Rob Bowman, Vikki Werner-Mackeler, Karen Morrell

REGRETS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shaver called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for February 12, 2024 be adopted. Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the minutes of the January 29, 2024 Council meeting as distributed to all members. Carried

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Optimist Club – Larry Harper

CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UCLG: Mayor Shaver provided an update

SNCA/RVCA: Deputy Mayor Wynands provided an update

Recreation: Councillors provided an update

Library Board:

EDTAC: Councillor Henry provided an update

PAC: Deputy Mayor Wynands provided an update

Administration: CAO Geraghty provided an update **MECG:** Chief Bowman provided an update

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Report 2024-015

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council receives this report for information purposes. Carried

Report 2024-016

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council direct staff to renew the River Route Transit Partnership Agreement for the period of April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025; and

THAT Council authorize staff to explore funding options that could support the purchase of a new bus and shelters for the program and to report back to Council at a future date.

Deferred

Report 2024-017

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a Purchase and Sale Agreement be executed by the Mayor and Clerk with Corey James Arcand and James Francis Arcand for the purpose of purchasing land described as South Parcel (20 acres) PT LOT 5 CON 1 Augusta and North Parcel (57 acres) PT LT 5 CON 1 Augusta for a total of 77 acres; and

THAT Council authorize the CAO to proceed with the due diligence to be undertaken by Cambium Inc. and Past Recovery Archaeological Services Inc. which is conditional to the purchase.

Carried

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OPERATIONS

PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

Report 2024-013

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council receive the Building Department Activity Report for January 2024 for information. Carried

Report 2024-014

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council direct staff to provide the required 21 days notice to increase building fees as outlined in this report and to schedule the required public meeting on March 11, 2024.

Carried

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law Numbered 3683-2024 being a By-Law to appoint a Rental Property Standards Officer for the Township of Augusta be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read. Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councilor Pape **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law Numbered 3684-2024 being a By-Law to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024 be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read. Carried

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law Numbered 3685-2024 being a By-Law to authorize an interim levy in advance of the adoption of the estimates for 2024 be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read. Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councilor Pape **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law Numbered 3686-2024 being a By-Law to enter into an agreement for the purchase of land be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read. Carried

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Grenville Federation of Agriculture Annual Meeting and Fundraiser will be on March 8, 2024.
- Augusta Fire Rescue will be participating in the Leeds & Grenville Fire Services Food Drive. They will be at O'Reilly's & Giant Tiger in Prescott on March 16, 2024 collecting donations.
- Interim taxes will be due on Thursday, March 28, 2024 due to the Friday being Good Friday.
- Limerick Forest's Doors Open event will be on March 3, 2024 from 10-3pm.
- A reminder: no ice is safe ice. Please keep yourself and our First Responders safe and stay off the ice.

QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PUBLIC

QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PRESS

CLOSED SESSION AS PER SECTION 239 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT 2001

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

BY-LAW TO CONFIRM PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 3687-2024 confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Augusta at its meeting held on February 12, 2024 be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read. Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councillor Pape **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council do now adjourn at 7:00 pm until February 21, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. or until the call of the Mayor subject to need. Carried.