

**City of Port Colborne
Special Council Meeting 19-18
Minutes**

Date: August 27, 2018

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Council Chambers, Municipal Offices, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne

Members Present: R. Bodner, Councillor
B. Butters, Councillor
F. Danch, Councillor
A. Desmarais, Councillor
Y. Doucet, Councillor
D. Elliott, Councillor
B. Kenny, Councillor
J. Maloney, Mayor (presiding officer)

Absent: J. Mayne, Councillor (leave of absence)

Staff Present: D. Aquilina, Director of Planning and Development
A. LaPointe, Manager of Legislative Services/City Clerk
C. Lee, Director of Engineering & Operations
S. Luey, Chief Administrative Officer
P. Senese, Director of Corporate Services

Also in attendance were interested citizens, members of the news media and WeeStream.

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Maloney called the meeting to order.

2. National Anthem:

Joel Longfellow sang O Canada.

3. Confirmation of Agenda:

No. 119 Moved by Councillor Y. Doucet
Seconded by Councillor R. Bodner

That the agenda of the Special Meeting of Council dated
August 27, 2018 be confirmed, as circulated or as amended.

CARRIED.

4. Disclosures of Interest:

None.

5. Public Hearing Under the Development Charges Act:

**Planning and Development, Planning Division, Report 2018-111, Subject:
Public Meeting Report – Proposed Amendment to the Development
Charges By-law 6131/97/14: 1-year Waiving of Charges for Residential and
Non-Residential Uses**

(i) Presentation of Proposed Amendment to Development Charges By-law:

Mr. Aquilina presented a brief power point presentation that first provided what development charges are collected for followed by a history of past

exemptions since 2014, what CIPs have in place regarding development charge waivers and what the applicable charges would be if no waiver is extended.

Mr. Aquilina also informed Council the amount of exempted charges for each year since 2014 being the first year of providing an exemption. Mr. Aquilina concluded by providing comments on the positive impacts since the waiver began and an option to collect 50% of charges that could be used for growth related matters.

Mr. Aquilina advised that Notice of the Public Meeting was administered in Meeting was published in Niagara This Week and no comments have been received.

(ii) Questions of Clarification to Planning Staff:

Councillor Kenny raised that new growth has contributed to the tax base and requested that this amount be calculated. Councillor Butters expressed her interest to know these amounts as well. Councillor Desmarais expressed her interest to know these amounts too and what developments have not occurred well.

Councillor Elliott inquired on how development charges related to growth can be collected and used. Mr. Aquilina mentioned he would provide information from the development charges background on how monies can be. Councillor Elliott inquired to the time when development chargers would be collected and Mr. Aquilina commented they are at time of building permit application.

(iii) Oral Presentations and/or Questions from the Public:

Eric Beauregard, B237 Mitchell Street asked if any other municipalities are involved in the development charges study, if any other municipalities have waived development charges and what has been the impact. Mr. Aquilina responded that almost all municipalities have development charges and locally the City of St. Catharines that has none.


Mr. Aquilina concluded that once all information has been received from staff a future report will return to Council for their consideration.

6. Adjournment:

No.120 Moved by Councillor D. Elliott
Seconded by Councillor R. Bodner

That the Council meeting be adjourned at approximately 6:53 p.m.

CARRIED.



John Maloney
Mayor



Amber LaPointe
City Clerk

Minutes prepared by the Department of Planning and Development.

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