Special Council Minutes April 24, 2019 - 5:00 PM Council Chambers Whitby Town Hall

Present: Mayor Mitchell

Councillor Alexander
Councillor Leahy
Councillor Lee
Councillor Mulcahy
Councillor Newman
Councillor Roy
Councillor Shahid
Councillor Yamada

Also Present: M. Gaskell, Chief Administrative Officer

H. Ellis, Executive Assistant to the Mayor

K. Nix, Commissioner of Corporate Services/Treasurer

D. Speed, Fire Chief C. Harris, Town Clerk

L. MacDougall, Temporary Legislative Coordinator (Recording

Secretary)

Regrets: None noted

Mayor Mitchell advised that the purpose of the Special Council meeting was to honour Commissioner LeBel's 27-year legacy with the Town of Whitby.

- 1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
 - **1.1** There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.
- 2. Presentations
 - **2.1** Bill Sidsworth, Executive Director, Whitby Iroquois Soccer Club Re: Naming of the Rossland Soccer Fields

Bill Sidsworth, Executive Director, Whitby Iroquois Soccer Club, appeared before Council and stated that he has known Commissioner LeBel for 15 to 20 years and that he was a huge supporter of the Club. He further stated that Commissioner LeBel was instrumental in developing the public-private partnership that led to the development of the Whitby Soccer Domes. He advised that the Board of Directors of the Whitby Iroquois Soccer Club was in support of and would be honoured

to have the Rossland Soccer Fields named 'Peter LeBel Fields'.

Discussion ensued between Members of Council regarding:

- Commissioner LeBel's drive and determination with respect to the development of the soccer dome; and,
- the development of various partnerships within the community throughout Commissioner LeBel's tenure with the Town.

Resolution # 145-19

Moved By Councillor Roy Seconded By Councillor Mulcahy

Whereas Commissioner Peter LeBel has made substantial contributions to the Town of Whitby through the growth and development of community services, recreational programs, and facilities during his 27 years of service to the Town;

Whereas Commissioner LeBel was instrumental in developing the innovative public-private partnership that led to the expeditious development of the Whitby Soccer Domes; and,

Whereas the Board of Directors of the Whitby Iroquois Soccer Club strongly supports recognizing Commissioner LeBel's contributions to the Town of Whitby through the naming of the Rossland Soccer Fields in his honour.

Now Therefore be it Resolved:

That notwithstanding the Municipal Property and Facility Naming Policy, that the Rossland Soccer Fields be named 'Peter LeBel Fields' in honour of Commissioner LeBel's contributions to the Town of Whitby.

Carried unanimously on a recorded vote as follows:

	For	Against	Abstained
Councillor Alexander	X		
Councillor Leahy	Х		
Councillor Lee	Х		
Councillor Mulcahy	Х		
Councillor Newman	Х		
Councillor Roy	X		
Councillor Shahid	Х		

Councillor Yamada	Х		
Mayor Mitchell	Х		
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2.2 Jason Atkins, Chair of 1855 Board of Directors Re: Naming of the Main Hall at 1855 Whitby

Jason Atkins, Chair of 1855 Board of Directors, appeared before Council and stated that he met Commissioner LeBel 10 years ago and approached him with the idea of developing a technology center in Whitby to create future jobs and build a community where people could work, live and play. He advised that Commissioner LeBel was a driving force behind his idea and that he played an integral part in collaborating with 360insights for the development of 1855 Whitby. Mr. Atkins further advised that Commissioner LeBel provided guidance with respect to politics and protocol and that he was always about collaboration and innovation. He stated that there was no better way to honour Commissioner LeBel then to name the main hall where all of the collaboration and innovation takes place 'LeBel Hall'.

Discussion ensued between Members of Council regarding:

- Commissioner LeBel's passion and pride with respect to the development of 1855 Whitby, his capacity to work on numerous projects and advance them into accomplishments, and his investment in the community to bring community partners, community members and staff together; and,
- acknowledgement and testimony to Commissioner LeBel's energy, vision, and collaboration associated with the various economic development and recreational contributions he has made to the community.

Resolution # 146-19

Moved By Councillor Newman Seconded By Councillor Lee

Whereas Commissioner Peter LeBel has made substantial contributions to the Town of Whitby through the growth of community services and successful economic development during his 27 years of service to the Town;

Whereas in collaboration with 360insights, Commissioner LeBel was instrumental in developing 1855 Whitby, Durham Region's first and only technology accelerator; and,

Whereas the Board of Directors of 1855 Whitby strongly supports recognizing Commissioner LeBel's contributions to the Town of Whitby through the naming of the main hall at 1855 Whitby in his honour.

Now Therefore be it Resolved:

That Council endorses the proposal by the Board of Directors of 1855 Whitby to name the main open space area at the facility 'LeBel Hall' in honour of Commissioner LeBel's contributions to the Town of Whitby.

Carried

- Confirmatory By-law
 - 3.1 Confirmatory By-law

Resolution # 147-19

Moved By Councillor Yamada Seconded By Councillor Leahy

That leave be granted to introduce a by-law and to dispense with the reading of the by-law by the Clerk to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Town of Whitby at its special meeting held on April 24, 2019 and the same be considered read and passed and the Mayor and Clerk sign the same and the Seal of the Corporation be thereto affixed.

Carried

- 4. Adjournment
 - **4.1** Motion to Adjourn

Moved By Councillor Shahid Seconded By Councillor Alexander

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

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Christopher Harris, Town Clerk	 Don Mitchell, Mayor	