

Economic Development & Planning Committee

Tuesday, September 04, 2018, 4:00 pm
City Hall, Council Chambers

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members Present:

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair
Councillor J. Baker
Councillor L. Bursey
Councillor D. LeSueur
Mayor D. Henderson, Ex-Officio

Other Member Present:

Councillor P. Deery

Staff:

D. Dick, Director of Corporate Services
D. Golledge, Administrative Coordinator (Planning)
S. MacDonald, City Clerk
A. McGinnis, Planner II
L. Murray, Deputy City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
R. Nolan, Director of Economic Development
M. Pascoe Merkley, Interim City Manager

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Amendments to SPCA for Bridlewood Manor John Bonser

J. Bonser addressed the Committee introducing two of his neighbours, J. Dickie and E. LeClair. J. Bonser stated that the homes were built before Bridlewood Manor was constructed. He feels that the site plan shows trees as a buffer between the residential properties and the Manor, and the trees should remain in perpetuity. J. Bonser recited several areas in the Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control Manual that he believes contradict the current situation.

Councillor Baker indicated he had visited the site and feels the hedge should remain.

Councillor Kalivas Chair of the Committee requested that staff speak to the Management of Bridlewood Manor to see if some kind of agreement can be reached and report back to Council next week.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Nil.

STAFF REPORTS

1. **2018-094-09**
Extension of Draft Plan Approval Part Of Lot 11, Concession 2
Rockford Forest Subdivision
Owner: Cathedral Enterprises Ltd.
Agent: Matthew Eyre
File: 08T-14501

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council for the Corporation of the City of Brockville, grants an extension to draft approval of the Rockford Forest Subdivision, being described as Part of Lot 11, Conc. 2, City of Brockville, County of Leeds, to 15 October 2021.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. **2018-021-03**
Municipal Accommodation Tax Allocation

M. Pascoe Merkley stated that this matter has been before the Committee twice before and needs to have a path forward.

Councillor Baker asked if further consultation with the hoteliers had taken place. M. Pascoe Merkley replied that consultation had taken place prior to the initial report but nothing since then to her knowledge.

A small committee will be struck with Councillor Kalivas as Chair; they will revise this proposal and review the allocation of funding.

Councillor Baker would like to see this in place before the next term of Council.

Moved by: Mayor Henderson

THAT a committee be struck with Councillor Kalivas as Chair to revise this proposal and review the allocation of funding.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS - REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

1. Live Streaming of Council and Committee Meetings (Councillor Bursey)

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Whereas our local media's full resources are limited, and can often create or nurture misinformation;

Whereas other municipalities across Ontario and beyond are currently facing similar challenges with how to best articulate their messages, and craft effective means of sharing legislation and data;

And whereas cost effective technology exists which can help this corporation to better share and stream proceedings utilizing a user friendly medium;

Therefore be it resolved that the council of the Corporation of the City of Brockville direct staff to provide options with the direct intention of implementing the most current and cost effective Internet filming and streaming technology to assist our local media in providing coverage of council and committee meetings happening in this chamber.

REFERRED TO 2019 BUDGET

2. **Tiny Homes**
(Councillor Bursey)

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Whereas Tiny Homes have proven to be an economical, environmentally sustainable and easily constructed housing formula by way of lowering building and purchasing costs, and reducing carbon footprints by reducing housing sizes;

Whereas no current procedural bylaw exists under the Official Plan or Planning Act for the City of Brockville;

Whereas Tiny Homes would assist private sector developers and the City of Brockville planning staff in delivering affordable housing and affordable home ownership options for our citizens, which was committed to as part of the 20 Year Official Plan for the City of Brockville;

Whereas the Province of Ontario has recently modernized official plan bylaws to include granny suites and garden suites, creating new opportunities for municipalities to work around square footage zoning restrictions to provide new housing builds;

And whereas our community would take a proactive and progressive step towards potentially modernizing our housing stock by being one of the first municipalities in Ontario to create a new zoning bylaw to incorporate Tiny Homes;

Therefore be it resolved that we direct our planning staff to draft options for us to consider as the Corporation of the City of Brockville, with the intention of adopting Tiny Homes provisions.

CARRIED

3. **National Housing Strategy Review**
(Councillor Bursey)

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT the National housing Strategy Review report as prepared by Councillor Bursey be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

4. **AMO Conference Review
(Councillor Bursey)**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT the AMO 2018 Conference Review report as prepared by Councillor Bursey be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT the following items be placed on Consent Agenda and forwarded to Council for Consideration:

1. 2018-094-09
Extension of Draft Plan Approval Part of Lot 11, Concession 2
Rockford Forest Subdivision
2. National Housing Strategy Review
3. AMO Conference Review

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the Economic Development and Planning Committee adjourned its meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for October 2, 2018

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm.