

**Region of Queens Municipality Regular Council
Tuesday, May 9, 2023 9:38 a.m.**

Minutes

Present: Mayor Darlene Norman, Chair
Deputy Mayor Jack Fancy
Councillor David Brown
Councillor Maddie Charlton
Councillor Ralph Gidney
Councillor Vicki Amirault
Dan MacDougall, Interim CAO
Christine Watson, Admin. Assistant – Planning & Development

Regrets: Councillor Ralph Gidney
Councillor Kevin Muise

1.0 Call to Order

Mayor Norman called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

2.0 Changes / Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Councillor Charlton and seconded by Councillor Hawkes that the Agenda be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

3.0 Presentation

There were no presentations to come before this meeting.

4.0 Tabling of Petitions

There were no petitions to come before this meeting.

5.0 Public Question / Comment Session

There were no public questions or comments to come before this meeting.

6.0 Approval of Minutes

6.1 Regular Council – April 25, 2023

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Amirault:

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held April 25, 2023 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

7.0 Recommendations

7.1 Community Investment Fund – Liverpool Junior Hockey Association

It was moved by Councillor Charlton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Fancy:

THAT Council of the Region of Queens Municipality provide grant funding to Liverpool Junior Hockey Association in the amount up to \$7,215.53 from the 2023-2024 Community Investment Fund to support eligible expenses of the Don Johnson Cup.

Dana Henley, Community Development Coordinator, stated a Community Investment Fund application was received from the Liverpool Junior Hockey Association to help with costs associated with the Don Johnson Cup held on April 25 – 30, 2023. The total projected eligible expenses are \$57,724.25, and funding available is 12.5% of eligible expenses. All criteria have been met.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

7.2 Variance Appeal Respecting Property Identified as PID #70275094
(located at rear of 87 Bristol Avenue)

It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Amirault:

THAT Council of Region of Queens Municipality uphold the decision of the Development Officer to issue a variance for a reduced lot area to facilitate development of either (8) additional apartment units on property identified as PID #70275094.

Wendy Connors, Development Officer, stated the variance was issued for PID #70275094, located behind 87 Bristol Avenue, and is 1.4 acres.

Under the current Land Use Bylaw, 37 units would be permitted by site plan approval and development permit. The owner of the property has the opportunity to apply for a 25% increase in permitted units. A 25% increase would be 49 units. The owners are looking for 8 additional units, so it will be a 45 unit building.

Councillor Brown enquired with the increase in units, if this would change the footprint of the parking lot? Ms. Connors stated there is parking around the building as well as underground parking, which will cover everything required.

Deputy Mayor Fancy stated concerns were raised on parking on the street, the boat launch at the end of Mersey Avenue, and how traffic will be dealt with. Previously, discussions were held on having speed indicators and lights. Recommendations from Council can go to the municipal traffic authority to incorporate the requested changes to deal with these issues.

He requested to bring forward a recommendation at next council meeting on the formation of a committee to make recommendations concerning traffic issues. Mayor Norman stated this can be added under discussion to get other Councillors' points of view.

Councillor Charlton offered comments on the Land Use Bylaw process. There were multiple meetings held throughout different districts in our communities. It was advertised in *Lighthouse Now* and *The South Shore Breaker* to make people aware of these meetings.

She noted when we did the Land Use Bylaw, we anticipated the Coastal Protection Act and the elevation requirements were changed to meet that.

She enquired if we have the capacity to change the speed limits on Municipal roads. Dan MacDougall, Interim CAO, stated the decision could be made through the municipal traffic authority. Mayor Norman stated this will be investigated.

Councillor Amirault stated she agreed with Deputy Mayor Fancy on the creation of a committee and the need for professional help in moving forward especially with the development at Queens Place.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

8.0 Discussions

There were no discussion items brought forward at this meeting.

9.0 In-Camera Items

There were no In-Camera items brought forward at this meeting.

10.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.



Mayor Darlene Norman, Chair



Eric Levy, Municipal Clerk



Christine Watson, Administrative Assistant – Planning & Development

Date Approved: May 23, 2023