

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD

April 16, 2015

A Special meeting of the Prince Edward County Committee of the Whole was held on April 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Shire Hall, Picton with the following members present:

Mayor	Robert L. Quaiff
Ward 1 (Picton) Councillor	Lenny Epstein
Ward 1 (Picton) Councillor	Treat Hull
Ward 2 (Bloomfield) Councillor	Barry Turpin, Vice Chair
Ward 3 (Wellington) Councillor	Jim Dunlop
Ward 4 (Ameliasburgh) Councillor	Janice Maynard
Ward 4 (Ameliasburgh) Councillor	Dianne O'Brien, Chair
Ward 4 (Ameliasburgh) Councillor	Roy Pennell
Ward 6 (Hallowell) Councillor	Gordon Fox
Ward 7 (Hillier) Councillor	Steven Graham
Ward 8 (North Marysburgh) Councillor	David Harrison
Ward 9 (South Marysburgh) Councillor	Steve Ferguson
Ward 10 (Sophiasburgh) Councillor	Kevin Gale
Ward 10 (Sophiasburgh) Councillor	Bill Roberts

Regrets:

Ward 5 (Athol) Councillor	Jamie Forrester
Ward 6 (Hallowell) Councillor	Brad Nieman

Staff Present:

Acting Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Finance	James Hepburn
Commissioner of Corporate Services and Finance	Susan Turnbull
Clerk	Kim White

1. Call to Order

The Chair advised that this Special Committee of the Whole meeting has been called to initiate discussion on the review of size of Council.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

2.1 Motion to Confirm Agenda

Motion CW-90-2015

Moved by Councillor Pennell

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

THAT the agenda for the Special Committee of the Whole meeting of April 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. be confirmed.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared at this time.

4. Deputations - Listed - None

5. Comments from the Audience (on items on the agenda)

5.1 Gary Mooney addressed Committee regarding the size of Council and the N.E.W. Plan for restructuring Prince Edward County Council version 5. Mr. Mooney provided a copy of the N.E.W. Plan.

5.2 Kathy Vowinckle addressed Committee regarding the size of council. Ms. Vowinckle provided a copy of her comments.

5.3 John Thompson addressed Committee regarding the size of council. Mr. Thompson provided a copy of his comments.

5.4 Bill McMahon addressed Committee regarding the size of council. Mr. McMahon provided a copy of his comments.

5.5 Monica Alyea addressed Committee regarding the size of council. Ms. Alyea provided a copy of her comments.

Motion CW-91-2015

Moved by Councillor Epstein

Seconded by Councillor Hull

THAT the comments from Gary Mooney, Kathy Vowinckle, John Thompson, Bill McMahon and Monica Alyea regarding the size of council and electoral districts be received.

CARRIED

6. Items for Consideration

6.1 Report of Mayor Quaiff dated April 16, 2015 regarding the Review of Size of Council

Motion CW-92-2015

Moved by Mayor Quaiff

Seconded by Councillor Graham

THAT the report of Mayor Quaiff dated April 16, 2015 regarding the Review of Size of Council be received.

CARRIED

Motion CW-93-2015

Moved by Mayor Quaiff

Seconded by Councillor Gale

THAT the creation of two (2) new electoral districts for election purposes for the County of Prince Edward be considered, as follows:

Electoral District 1 – comprising of Ward 3-Wellington, Ward 4-Ameliasburgh, Ward 7-Hillier and Ward 10- Sophiasburgh, and

Electoral District 2 – comprising of Ward 1-Picton, Ward 2-Bloomfield, Ward 5-Athol, Ward 6-Hallowell, Ward 8-North Marysburgh and Ward 9-South Marysburgh;

THAT five (5) Councillors be elected to represent each new electoral ward and a Mayor at large; and

THAT this option be presented at a special public meeting to be held in each current Ward.

WITHDRAWN

Motion CW-94-2015

Moved by Councillor Gale

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

THAT public meetings be held in each ward for the purpose of examining the three options put forward to restructure the size of council, being:

- 1. The 2 Electoral District Option**
- 2. The N.E.W. Plan Option – version 5**
- 3. The Option presented by John Thompson on April 16, 2015; and**

THAT Council, following these public meetings, bring forward a recommendation to implement one of these options, or leave the structure as it is currently.

Prior to voting on **Motion CW-94-2015**, the following Deferral Motion was put forward:

Deferral Motion CW-95-2015

Moved by Councillor Hull

Seconded by Councillor Fox

THAT Committee defer the decision on a best option or options to take forward to the public until there has been a Council discussion on the various options.

CARRIED

7. Adjournment

7.1 Motion to Adjourn

Motion CW-96-2015

Moved by Councillor Gale

Seconded by Councillor Hull

THAT this meeting now adjourn at 11:40 a.m.

CARRIED

Kim White, CLERK

Robert L. Quaiff, MAYOR