



City of Port Colborne
Special Meeting of Council Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 27, 2026
Time: 5:00 pm
Location: Committee Room 3-City Hall
66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario, L3K 3C8

Members Present: M. Aquilina, Councillor
M. Bagu, Councillor
E. Beauregard, Councillor
R. Bodner, Councillor
G. Bruno, Councillor
F. Danch, Councillor
D. Elliott, Councillor
T. Hoyle, Councillor
W. Steele, Mayor (presiding officer)

Staff Present: E. Acs, Chief Planner (Item 4.3)
B. Boles, Chief Administrative Officer
G. Long, Director of Development and Government Relations (Item 4.3)
C. Madden, City Clerk
K. Martel, Manager of Planning (Item 4.3)
M. Murray, Chief Human Resources Officer (Items 4.2, 4.4. and 4.5)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Prior to the Adoption of the Agenda, Item 4.1 – Council Training was withdrawn, as the Training Instructor was unable to attend due to illness. Consequently, three items were added to the agenda. These items were taken from the Regular Council Meeting agenda and advanced to this agenda for consideration prior to the commencement of the Regular Council Meeting.

C-25- 005

Moved by Councillor M. Bagu

Seconded by Councillor E. Beauregard

That the Special Council agenda dated January 27, 2026, be confirmed, as amended.

Carried

3. Disclosures of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

4. Closed Session

C-25- 006

Moved by Councillor R. Bodner

Seconded by Councillor F. Danch

That Council do now proceed to meet in Closed Session at 5:02 p.m. under the *Municipal Act, 2001*:

- Subsection 239(2)(b), where a closed session meeting is held if the subject matter being considered are personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- Subsection 239(2)(d) where a closed session meeting is held if the subject matter being considered is labour relations or employee negotiations;
- Subsection 239(2)(e) where a closed session meeting is held if the subject matter being considered is litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- Subsection 239(2)(f) where a closed session meeting is held if the subject matter being considered is advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

Carried

4.1 — Council Training

4.2 Confidential Human Resources Employee Negotiations Update

4.3 Confidential Memorandum from the Director of Development and Government Relations Regarding Potential Litigation

4.4 Office of the Chief Administrative Officer Report 2026-15 - Status Update on Legal Matters , 2026-15

4.5 CAO 2026 Goals and Development Plan - Report 1, 2026-01 , 2026-01, 2026-01

5. Back to Open Session

C-25- 007

Moved by Councillor R. Bodner
Seconded by Councillor T. Hoyle

That Council rise and reconvene from Closed Session at 6:22 p.m. with report:

4.4 That confidential Office of the Chief Administrative Officer Report 2026-15 be received for information.

4.5 That confidential Chief Administrative Officer Report 2026-01 be received;
and

That the Chief Administrative Officer follow the direction provided by Council in closed session.

Carried

6. By-laws

6.1 By-law No. 7418/02/26

C-25- 008

Moved by Councillor F. Danch
Seconded by Councillor D. Elliott

That By-law No.7418/02/26 be enacted and passed, as presented.

Carried

7. Adjournment

Mayor Steele adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

William C. Steele, Mayor

Charlotte Madden, City Clerk