

BY-LAW NO. 25-2018

A BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF CARLETON PLACE TO AMEND PROCEDURAL BY-LAW NO. 09-2015

WHEREAS Section 238 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, provides that every municipality and local board shall pass a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of The Town of Carleton Place enacted and passed By-Law No. 09-2015, being a by-law to regulate the proceedings of the Council of the said Corporation;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it expedient to amend By-Law No. 09-2015 to address changes in legislation as a result of *Bill 8, Public Sector and MPP Accountability and Transparency Act, 2014* and *Bill 68, Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017*;

AND WHEREAS Council also deems it appropriate to recognize the neutrality of government in its endeavours;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Town of Carleton Place enacts as follows:

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

1.1. **THAT** Section II – Definitions be amended to read as follows:

"Committee Meeting" or "Council Meeting" means any regular, special or other meeting of a council, of a local board or of a committee of either of them, where,

- a) a quorum of members is present, and
- b) members discuss or otherwise deal with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the Council, local board or committee.

1.2. **THAT** Section III, Part I, #5 (a) be deleted and replaced with the following:

"All Meetings of Council, Standing Committees, and Committee of the Whole, shall be held in public except when considering items in accordance with the criteria for a closed meeting as established by *Section 239 of the Municipal Act*."

1.3. **THAT** Part II – Practices and Procedures be amended to delete the following under "Role of Head of Council":

"(i) to recite with members of Council the Lord's Prayer"

1.4. Part II – Practices and Procedures be amended to add the following under "Role of Head of Council":

"(ii) to ask those present to stand and observe a moment of silence."

1.5. **THAT** Section IV – Disclosure of Interest be deleted and replaced with the following:

“Members shall disclose any pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof in any matter listed on the agenda in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act. It is the responsibility of the Member to identify and disclose any pecuniary interest. Members shall not request the Clerk or other staff member to provide advice or comment on whether a Member has a pecuniary interest.”

1.6. **THAT** Section V - Agenda, #1, be amended to delete the following:

I. Prayer

1.7. **THAT** Section V - Agenda, #1, be amended to add the following:

I. Moment of Silent Reflection

1.8. **THAT** Schedule “A” of Schedule “A” be deleted in its entirety.

2. BY-LAWS AMENDED

2.1. By-Law No. 09-2015 is hereby amended.

3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This by-law shall come into force and take on the date of its passing.

READ A FIRST TIME, SECOND TIME AND A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 10th DAY OF APRIL 2018.

Louis Antonakos, Mayor

D.H. Rogers, Clerk