

## **MINUTES**

### **REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

**2003 04 28**

**5:00 P.M.**

### **COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors D. Jones, J. Caicco, P. Mick, L. Turco, J. Curran, B. Hayes, N. DelBianco, D. Oraziotti, B. Irwin, D. Amaroso

**OFFICIALS** J. Fratesi, M. White, L. Bottos, P. McAuley, N. Apostle, B. Freiburger, M. Brechin, D. McConnell, L. McCoy

**ABSENT:** Councillors P. Vaudry, F. Manzo

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2003 04 14 be approved. CARRIED.

2. **QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION ARISING OUT OF MINUTES AND NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA**

3. **PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the accounts of 2003 04 11 in the amount of \$1,526,467.46 be passed and paid. CARRIED.

Councillor D. Amaroso declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by Algoma Steel Inc.

Councillor L. Turco declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by the Police Service.

3. Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the accounts of 2003 04 18 in the amount of \$2,244,690.98 and payrolls properly certified be passed and paid and the payrolls of the periods 2003 03 30 to 2003 04 12 in amounts of Hourly \$1,390.076.98 and Salaried \$324,986.09 as certified and paid be confirmed. CARRIED.

Councillor D. Amaroso declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by Algoma Steel Inc.

Councillor L. Turco declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by the Police Service.

4. **DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- (a) Joanne Cain, Team MS Coordinator, Multiple Sclerosis Society was in attendance concerning Proclamation – MS.
- (b) Captain Stephen McNeilly, Salvation Army was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal.
- (c) Romuald F. Kwolek, President, Algoma District Law Association was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Mousetrap Week.
- (d) Jean Trudelle, Chair, Volunteer Sault Ste. Marie Advisory Board was in attendance concerning Proclamation – National Volunteer Week.
- (e) Don McDonald, Member at Large and Melissa Pulente, Treasurer, Child Find Executive was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Green Ribbon of Hope Month.
- (f) Ben Pascuzzi, representative of Chamber of Commerce was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Customer Service Week.
- (g) Michael Gaudette, Vice-President, Safe Community was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Health and Safety.
- (h) Cal Lamming, Bishop, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Family Unity Month.
- (i) Art Callegari and Michael Paluzzi, Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board were in attendance concerning Proclamation – Catholic Education Week.
- (j) Michael O'Neill of the Sault Youth Sports Association was in attendance concerning agenda item 5.(a).

4. (k) Doug Belanger of Chi Makwa Enterprises was in attendance concerning agenda item 5.(l).

### **PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA**

5. **COMMUNICATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS OF  
CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2003 04 28 - Part One - Consent Agenda and Addendum #1 be approved as recommended. CARRIED.

- (a) Correspondence from Michael O'Neill concerning a proposal for the creation of a Sault Ste. Marie Scholarship Endowment Fund was received by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the correspondence from Michael O'Neill be endorsed in principle and further that this item be referred to appropriate staff to assist with the development of federal funding applications and the endowment fund proposal. CARRIED.

- (b) Correspondence from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario concerning the Community Rental Housing Pilot Program was received by Council.
- (c) The letter from the Chairman, World Health Organization Collaborating Centre concerning Safe Community Designation was received by Council.
- (d) Correspondence from the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation concerning a quarterly payment of the 5% slot revenue to the City in the amount of \$455,897.00 was received by Council.
- (e) The news release from the Ministry of Enterprise, Opportunity and Innovation concerning the Ontario Global Traders Awards was received by Council.

5. (e) Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that City Council congratulate the following award winners from Sault Ste. Marie:  
Innovation Award – Award of Merit – Algoma's Water Tower Inn  
Market Expansion Award – Product – Honourable Mention – Teleflex-Advanced Thermodynamics  
Leadership Award – Regional Award – David Ellis, ellis pastore oswin consultants inc.; and  
Further that the hosting of the Ontario Global Traders Awards Northern Region in 2004 be referred to the Economic Development Corporation. CARRIED.
- (f) **Tender for Personal Computer Equipment**  
The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.  
  
Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 28, 2003 be accepted and that the tender for the supply and delivery of Personal Computer Equipment, required by the Information Systems Division, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.
- (g) **Tender for the Supply and Delivery of a Cremator**  
The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.  
  
Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 28, 2003 be accepted and that the tender for the supply and delivery of a Cremator and Associated Equipment, required by the Cemeteries Division of the Public Works and Transportation Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.
- (h) **Contract 2003-1E – Reconstruction of McGregor Avenue**  
The report of the Manager of Construction and Environmental Engineering was accepted by Council. The relevant By-laws 2003-98 and 2003-99 are listed under item 10 of the Minutes.
- (i) **Sault Ste. Marie Truck Route Class Environmental Assessment and Transportation Planning Study**  
The report of the Director of Engineering Design and Buildings was accepted by Council.

5. (i) Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the Director of Engineering Design and Buildings dated 2003 04 28 concerning Sault Ste. Marie Truck Route Class Environmental Assessment and Transportation Planning Study be accepted, and the recommendation to authorize staff to proceed with the Federal/Provincial funding request be approved. CARRIED.
- (j) **2002 Annual Report – Sault Ste. Marie Fire Services**  
The report of the Fire Chief was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the Fire Chief dated 2003 04 28 concerning 2002 Annual Report be accepted as information. CARRIED.
- (k) **City p/f Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board – 445 Albert Street West**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2003 04 28 concerning City p/f Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board – 445 Albert Street West be accepted as information. CARRIED.
- Councillor T. Turco declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by the Police Service.
- (l) **Trapping of Nuisance Bears**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2003 04 28 concerning Trapping of Nuisance Bears be accepted, and the recommendation to accept the proposal of Chi Makwa Enterprises for the provision of nuisance bear trapping and relocation services for 2003 be approved. CARRIED.
- (m) **Licence of Occupation Renewal – Chris Madsen, c.o.b. Kaddy Shak Driving Range – 2269 Queen Street East**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2003-101 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.
- (n) **Application No. A-2-01-Z – Carl Bumbacco – 216 Wellington Street West**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

5. (n) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2003 04 28 concerning Application No. A-2-01-Z – Carl Bumbacco be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation be endorsed. CARRIED.
- (o) **Amendment to Signs Section (10) of By-law 76-185 – Kim Erb – 101 Hudson Street – File No. B.3.1.12**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2003 04 28 concerning an Amendment to the Signs Section (10) of By-law 76-185 – Kim Erb be accepted and the recommendation that City Council approve the proposed signs located as submitted be endorsed. CARRIED.
- (p) **Amendment to the Signs Section of By-law 76-185 – Crimson Ridge Golf Course**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2003 04 28 concerning an Amendment to the Signs Sections of By-law 76-185 – Crimson Ridge Golf Course be accepted and the recommendation that City Council approve the amendment to permit a solid base sign on the property be endorsed. CARRIED.
- (q) **Sault Ste. Marie's New Comprehensive Zoning By-law Status Report – Goals and Objectives**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2003 04 28 concerning Sault Ste. Marie's New Comprehensive Zoning By-law be accepted as information. CARRIED.
- (r) **Leigh's Bay Road Industrial Land Project Update**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

5. (r) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2003 04 28 concerning Leigh's Bay Road Industrial Land Project Update and the recommendation that City Council accept this report as information be endorsed. CARRIED.

Councillor D. Amaroso declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by Algoma Steel Inc.

- (s) **Industrial Land Development – FedNor Funding**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2003-102 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.

Councillor D. Amaroso declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by Algoma Steel Inc.

- (t) **Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee – L.A.C.A.C.**  
The report of the L.A.C.A.C. Chairperson was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes  
Resolved that the report of the L.A.C.A.C. (M.H.C.) Chairperson dated 2003 04 15 concerning the proposed revised Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee (L.A.C.A.C.) by-law be accepted and the recommendations contained therein be approved. CARRIED.

- (u) **2002 Annual Report – Sault Ste. Marie Police Service**  
The report of the Chief of Police was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that the report of the Chief of Police dated 2003 04 28 concerning 2002 Annual Report be accepted as information. CARRIED.

Councillor T. Turco declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by the Police Service.

- (v) **Sale of 326 Sixth Avenue – Property Vested Pursuant to Tax Sale**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2003-95 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.

- (w) Correspondence from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario concerning Support for Municipalities Affected by SARS and Electricity Update was received by Council.

## **PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA**

### **6. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

#### **6. (3) ENGINEERING**

##### **(a) 2003/04 Connecting Link Program**

The report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Planning was accepted by Council.

#### **6. (3)**

(a) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Planning dated 2003 04 28 concerning 2003/04 Connecting Link Program be accepted, and the recommendation to proceed with the Connecting Link Program and the tendering/advertising and awarding of contracts, subject to MTO funding approval be approved. CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor D. Amaroso  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jones

Whereas the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario has decided not to include the Second Line project (Korah Road to Peoples Road) in the 2003/2004 Connecting Link Program despite the fact that this project has been deemed by City Council to be its highest priority, serving among other users, several major industries; and

Whereas the condition of this important highway has deteriorated to the point of serious disruption and vibration to residential neighbours in the area, all of whom have been patiently awaiting reconstruction; and

Whereas any further delay in reconstruction will require major temporary repair work to the roadway to make for at least minimum and tolerable driving conditions;

Now therefore be it resolved that Engineering staff be asked to prepare for Council's consideration, a report on the cost to do appropriate full temporary repair or resurfacing of Second Line and further that a request be made immediately to the MTO to consider increasing Sault Ste. Marie's allocation for the 2003/2004 Connecting Link Program to do this necessary (albeit avoidable) repair to this important street in our community to allow the reasonable use of this Provincial Connecting Link Highway until MTO approves its reconstruction. CARRIED.

#### **6. (6) PLANNING**

##### **(a) Air Cargo Feasibility Study Implementation Phase I**

The report of the Planning Division and correspondence from the Mayor was accepted by Council.



6. (6)  
(a)

Moved by Councillor B. Irwin

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that agenda item 6.(6)(a) be amended by inserting the following clause:

Further be it resolved that City Council will authorize no further activity on the transpolar aspect of the air cargo initiative (Phase Two), until such time that:

a) City Council deems that Phase One of the air cargo initiative has been substantively implemented; and

b) Phase One implementation demonstrates an opportunity to proceed with Phase Two. CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2003 04 14 concerning the Air Cargo Feasibility Study Implementation Phase I be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation be endorsed as amended. CARRIED.

Recorded Vote:

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors D. Jones, P. Mick, L. Turco, J. Curran, B. Hayes, N. DelBianco, D. Oraziotti, B. Irwin, D. Amaroso

Against: Nil

Absent: Councillors P. Vaudry, J. Caicco, F. Manzo

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS, NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS PLACED ON AGENDA BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

8. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUCH MATTERS AS ARE REFERRED TO IT BY THE COUNCIL BY RESOLUTION**

9. **ADOPTION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

10. **CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that all the by-laws listed under item 10 of the Agenda under date 2003 04 28 and Addendum #1 be approved. CARRIED.

10. (a) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2002-65 being a by-law to stop up, close and authorize the conveyance of lanes in the Hudson Bay Subdivision, Plan 4175 be read a third time in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003 after notice had been published once a week for four consecutive weeks and after Council had met to hear every person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the by-law and who had applied to be heard. CARRIED.
- (b) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-93 being a by-law to allow the construction of a sidewalk on North Street from Pardee Avenue to St. George's Avenue under Section 3 of the Municipal Act, Ontario Regulation 119/03, be read a first and second time this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.
- (c) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-95 being a by-law to authorize the sale of 326 Sixth Avenue be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.
- (d) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-97 being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 65 to the Official Plan be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. (Stephen Fosberg) CARRIED.
- (e) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-98 being a by-law to authorize an agreement between the City and General Contracting for the reconstruction of McGregor Avenue from Queen Street to Wellington Street commencing May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003 to October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2003 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.
- (f) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-99 being a by-law to authorize the temporary street closing of McGregor Avenue from Queen Street to Wellington Street commencing May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003 to October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2003 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.

10. (g) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-100 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-law 4500 and 4501 concerning lands located at 254 and 258 Wallace Terrace be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. (Michael Mahn) CARRIED.
- (h) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-101 being a by-law to authorize a Licence of Occupation Renewal Agreement between the City and Chris Madsen the current owner of the Kaddy Shak Driving Range at 2269 Queen Street East be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.
- (i) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-102 being a by-law to authorize an agreement between the City and FedNor for funding assistance with respect to industrial land development for the City of Sault Ste. Marie be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.
- (j) Moved by Councillor L. Turco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that By-law 2003-103 being a by-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers to enforce the by-laws on various properties and to amend Schedule "A" to By-law 90-305 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003. CARRIED.

11. **QUESTIONS BY, NEW BUSINESS FROM, OR ADDRESSES BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL CONCERNING MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA**

- (a) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Whereas several million dollars in projected expenditure increases to the 2003 approved budget have already been identified for the 2004 budget year in terms of OMERS, wage and benefit contract agreements, mandated increases to D.S.S.A.B. and the Algoma Health Unit; and  
Whereas there is a fiscally responsible direction to reduce reliance on prior period reserves and surplus as a source of revenue to the point where the intent is to eliminate their use as a revenue source completely in 2004; and  
Whereas the aforementioned items will necessitate a significant property tax increase in 2004;  
Now therefore be it resolved that Council direct the CAO to prepare an expenditure reduction plan that focuses on efficiencies and best practices as opposed to staffing cutbacks; and

11. (a) Furthermore that the plan should be a two-part plan - the first part of which represents an expenditure reduction of 2.5% of the 2003 budgeted expenses and the second part representing an expenditure reduction of 5% of the 2003 budgeted expenses; and  
Furthermore that the plan should identify the impact of the reductions on the current level of service provided; and  
Finally that Council request this report in time for the September 8, 2003 Council Meeting. CARRIED.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

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"JOHN ROWSWELL"

**MAYOR**

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"DONNA P. IRVING"

**CLERK**