

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2001 04 09

5:00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors D. Brandt, D. Jones, P. Vaudry, J. Caicco, T. Ryma, L. Turco, D. Amaroso, B. Irwin, D. Oraziotti, T. Austin, P. Mick

ABSENT: Councillor N. DelBianco

OFFICIALS: J. Fratesi, D. Irving, L. Bottos, R. Avery, D. Bourn, B. Freiburger, M. Brechin, J. Luszka, L. McCoy, D. McConnell, G. Mason, N. Apostle, J. Sniezek

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2001 03 26 be approved. CARRIED.

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

3. **PASSING OF ACCOUNTS**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the accounts of 2001 03 23 in the amount of \$687,076.10 and payrolls properly certified be passed and paid and the payrolls of the periods 2001 03 04 to 2001 03 17 in amounts of Hourly \$1,278,403.64 and Salaried \$272,123.42 as certified and paid be confirmed. CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor D. Amaroso

Seconded by Councillor B. Irwin

Resolved that the accounts of 2001 03 30 in the amount of \$1,312,441.88 be passed and paid. CARRIED.

Mayor J. Rowswell declared a pecuniary interest - R. F. Contracting is a client of Engineering Firm.

4. **DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- (a) Colleen Murphy, Catholic Women's League representative was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Catholic Women's League Week.
- (b) Michael Burtch, Director, Art Gallery of Algoma and Wendy Harrison-Severn were in attendance concerning agenda item 5.(a).
- (c) Chris Tossell and The Very Reverend Allan Reed on behalf of the Cathedral Parish of St. Luke were in attendance concerning agenda item 5.(r).
- (d) Santo Policicchio was in attendance concerning agenda item 6.(6)(a).

PART ONE - CONSENT AGENDA

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

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2001 04 09 - Part One - Consent Agenda, save and except 5.(m); 5.(n) be approved as recommended. CARRIED.

- (a) The letter from the Art Gallery of Algoma and The Downtown Association concerning support for a proposed Animation Centre in Sault Ste. Marie was received by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that City Council receive the Art Gallery of Algoma proposal for an Animation Centre as information, and further that Council approve participation of municipal staff (Manager of Recreation and Culture, Planning Director and Director of Financial Services) on the Art Gallery of Algoma - Animation Centre Task Force to study ways to implement the proposal. CARRIED.

5. (b) Correspondence from the City of Niagara Falls (concerning 10-digit dialling in the 905 and 416 area codes); the City of Cornwall (concerning asking the Provincial and Federal Governments to help fund the cost of improving municipal roads); the City of Guelph (concerning West Nile Virus; funding for health units; the cost of social housing units; regulations regarding disposition of surplus school property; review of funding model for school boards); the Regional Municipality of Durham (concerning MNR notification practices for amendments or new applications for pit or quarry licences); and the City of Welland (concerning support for the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs petitioning the Provincial Government to fund Fire Services Programs) was received by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie supports and endorses the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs in its request to the Provincial Government to implement an adequately funded Provincial Fire Service Program as detailed by the Association in its 2001 Provincial Budget Recommendations. CARRIED.

- (c) Letters requesting permission for a private property liquor licence extension were accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the following requests for a liquor licence extension on private property for outdoor events on the stated dates and times be endorsed by City Council:

- (1) Sault College

June 23, 2001 from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

- (2) Docks Riverfront Grill

July 1, 2001 from 4:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.

July 4, 2001 from 4:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. CARRIED.

- (d) **Council Travel**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that Mayor John Rowswell and Councillor Peter Vaudry be authorized to travel to Sudbury for the "International Symposium on Northern and Rural Medical Education in a New Century" taking place on Friday, April 27th. CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that Mayor John Rowswell be authorized to travel to Toronto on Wednesday, April 11th to meet with Minister Tony Clement regarding the Northern Ontario Rural Medical School (NORMS). CARRIED.

5. (e) **Staff Travel Requests**

The report of the Chief Administrative Officer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the staff travel requests contained in the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated 2001 04 09 be approved as requested. CARRIED.

(f) **Tender for Athletic Field Marking Paint**

The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2001 04 09 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply and delivery of Athletic Field Marking Paint, required by the Parks Division of the Public Works and Transportation Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

(g) **Tender for Video Surveillance System - John Rhodes Centre**

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 9, 2001 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply and installation of a Video Surveillance System at the John Rhodes Community Centre, required by the Community Centres Division of the Community Services Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

(h) **Tender for One (1) 8,800 GVW Truck w/Ext. Cab & Utility Body**

The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 9, 2001 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply and delivery of One (1) 8,800 GVW Truck w/Ext. Cab & Utility Body, required by the Public Works & Transportation Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

(i) **Tenders for One (1) 5 Passenger Mini-Van and One (1) 4 Door Sedan**

The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.

5. (i) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 9, 2001 be endorsed and that the tenders for the Lease of One (1) 5 Passenger Mini-Van required by the Parking Division and One (1) 4 Door Sedan, required by the Engineering and Planning Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.
- (j) **Resident Peddlar Licensing Procedures**
The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council. The relevant by-law 2001-59 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.
- (k) **2001 Interim Tax Billing Adjustments**
The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council. The relevant by-law 2001-60 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.
- (l) **Algoma Health Unit Levy**
The report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Whereas the Ministry of Health and Algoma District municipalities each provides 50% funding to Algoma Health Unit;
And whereas the Province took responsibility for 50% of municipal costs for public health in 1999;
And whereas the Ministry of Health has increased mandated public health standards which will result in higher municipal contributions;
And whereas the Ministry of Health will not confirm 50% funding for the 2001 increases requested by the Algoma Health Unit;
And whereas Algoma District municipalities were levied for 100% of the 2001 budget increases by the Algoma Health Unit;
And whereas the absence of increased budget approval from the Ministry of Health will cost the City of Sault Ste. Marie an additional \$199,495.00 in 2001;
Therefore be it resolved that the Minister of Health be requested to review this matter and provide prompt approval for the Algoma Health Unit 2001 budget increase in order that district municipalities can provide a correct levy to their taxpayers in 2001;
And further be it resolved that the Minister of Health consider 100% funding for increased mandated public health standards;
And further be it resolved that the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be advised of this matter. CARRIED.
- (m) **Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) Coverage**
The report of the Commissioner of Human Resources was accepted by Council.

5. (m) Moved by Councillor P. Vaudry
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that City Council approve the Commissioner of Human Resources making application to the Workplace Safety & Insurance Board (WSIB) to include WSIB coverage for the Mayor and Members of City Council. WITHDRAWN BY THE MOVER.

Moved by Councillor D. Amaroso
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that City Council accept the report of the Commissioner of Human Resources dated 2001 04 09 concerning Workplace Safety & Insurance Board (WSIB) Coverage and further that the Commissioner of Human Resources report further options and details on WSIB Coverage and Accident Insurance Program back to City Council. CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Human Resources dated 2001 04 09 concerning Workplace Safety & Insurance Board (WSIB) Coverage be accepted as information. CARRIED.

(n) **Request for Assistance - Ontario Special Olympics Summer Games (August 2 - 5, 2001)**

The report of the Chief Administrative Officer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Vaudry
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that request for assistance - Ontario Special Olympics Summer Games be accepted and the "in-kind" financial assistance totalling \$26,000.00 be approved for the 2001 Budget. CARRIED.

Recorded Vote

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors D. Brandt, D. Jones, P. Vaudry, J. Caicco, T. Ryma, L. Turco, D. Amaroso, B. Irwin, D. Oraziotti, T. Austin, P. Mick

Against: nil

Absent: Councillor N. DelBianco

5. (n) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated 2001 04 09 concerning Request for Assistance - Ontario Special Olympics Summer Games (August 2 - 5, 2001) be accepted and the request for "in-kind" financial assistance totalling \$24,000.00 be referred to the 2001 Budget Deliberations. OFFICIALLY READ NOT DEALT WITH.
- (o) **Ermatinger/Clergue Heritage Site - Clergue Blockhouse Restoration**
The report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that the report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture dated 2001 04 09 concerning Ermatinger/Clergue Heritage Site - Architectural Services - Clergue Blockhouse Restoration be accepted and the recommendation contained therein, be approved. CARRIED.
- (p) **Sault Cycling Club - Cycling Link Project**
The report of the Director of Engineering Design and Buildings was accepted by Council. This was in response to a Council resolution dated 2001 03 19.
- Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that the report of the Director of Engineering Design and Buildings dated 2001 04 09 concerning Sault Cycling Club - Cycling Link Project be accepted as information. CARRIED.
- (q) **Engineering Services - Reconstruction of Queen Street (between Andrew and Huron Streets)**
The report of the Director of Engineering Design and Buildings was accepted by Council. The relevant by-law 2001-55 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.
- (r) **Request from Cathedral Parish of St. Luke Regarding Constructing a Columbarium**
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council. This was in response to a Council resolution dated 2001 03 19.
- Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2001 04 09 be accepted and that:
1. the City approves the St. Luke's columbarium project and that the project is in the public interest.

5. (r) 2. the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie hereby supports the request of the Cathedral Parish of St. Luke's in its approach to the Cemeteries Branch of the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations to be exempted from Section 2(1) of Ontario Regulation 132/92 on the basis that it is not contrary to the public interest to exempt St. Luke's from the requirement to deposit \$100,000.00 in the Care and Maintenance Fund. CARRIED.

(s) **Release of Easements on St. Mary's Paper Inc. Property**

The report of the City Solicitor is attached for the consideration of Council. The relevant by-law 2001-58 is listed under item 10 of the Minutes.

(t) **Upcoming Ontario Municipal Board Hearings**

The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2001 04 09 concerning Upcoming OMB Hearings be accepted as information. CARRIED.

(u) **Land Ambulance Service Provision**

The report of the Fire Chief was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the report of the Fire Chief dated 2001 04 09 concerning Land Ambulance Service Provision be accepted and the recommendations contained therein, be approved. CARRIED.

Councillor B. Irwin declared a pecuniary interest - employed by Sault Area Hospitals.

(v) **Traffic Concerns - St. George's Avenue Hill**

The report of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation was accepted by Council. This was in response to a Council resolution dated 2001 02 14.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2001 03 26 concerning St. George's Avenue Hill Traffic Concerns be accepted and the recommendations contained therein be approved. CARRIED.

5. (w) **Proposed Renaming of the Sault Ste. Marie Canal National Historic Site**
The report of the Historic Sites Board (deferred on 2001 03 26) and the Chamber of Commerce letter were received by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the recommendation of the Chamber of Commerce (in a letter dated 2001 04 03) to name the Pine Street Marina the "Skipper Manzutti Memorial Marina" be referred to the Historic Sites Board for consideration and recommendation back to City Council. CARRIED.

- (x) **Sault Ste. Marie Growth Mandate - Steering Committee - Purpose, Terms of Reference and Operating Process**

The report of the Sault Ste. Marie Growth Mandate Steering Committee was accepted by Council.

Mover Councillor L. Turco

Seconder Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the report of the Sault Ste. Marie Growth Mandate Steering Committee concerning Purpose, Terms of Reference and Operating Process be accepted as information. CARRIED.

PART TWO - REGULAR AGENDA

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

6. (3) **ENGINEERING**

- (a) **Proposal Call for Engineering Services - Design of Bellevue Park Combined Sewer Overflow Tanks**

The report of the Environmental/Construction Engineer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Amaroso

Resolved that the report of the Environmental/Construction Engineer dated 2001 04 09 concerning Engineering Services (Design of Bellevue Park Combined Sewer Overflow Tanks) be accepted and the recommendation that the Engineering Department proceed with a proposal call for the engineering work related to the design of the CSO tanks at Bellevue Park, be approved. CARRIED.

Mayor J. Rowsell declared a pecuniary interest - Engineering Firm has submitted an expression of interest for the proposal.

6. (6) **PLANNING**

- (a) **Application No. A-9-01-Z - 709 Goulais Avenue - Gino and Maria Policicchio - Request Rezoning for Home Based Business on his Property Include Car Sales with a Limit to the Number of Cars**

The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division under date 2001 04 09 concerning Application No. A-9-01-Z - Gino and Maria Policicchio be accepted and the recommendation that City Council deny the application, be endorsed. CARRIED.

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

- (a) Moved by Councillor D. Brandt

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that appropriate staff report back to Council on the need for traffic lights or stop signs for the Pine/Pleasant intersection. CARRIED.

- (b) Moved by Councillor T. Austin

Seconded by Councillor P. Vaudry

Whereas there have been several serious accidents over the years at the intersection of Douglas Street and Turner Avenue, partially because of the obstructed view at the approaches to Douglas Street;

And whereas there has always been a concern for the speed of traffic on Douglas Street;

Now therefore be it resolved that both the Sault Ste. Marie Police Services and the Department of Public Works and Transportation be requested to comment on improvements or action which might be considered to improve safety at this intersection. CARRIED.

- (c) Moved by Councillor D. Brandt

Seconded by Councillor B. Irwin

Resolved that the Legal Department report back to Council regarding a by-law that would prohibit the placing of municipal election signs on City property until after nominations have closed. CARRIED.

- (d) Moved by Councillor J. Caicco

Seconded by Councillor D. Oraziotti

Whereas the use of the Bondar Tent Pavilion should be maximized for the benefit of the community, and;

Whereas a private sector partner in our community may be able to increase the number of events held at the Pavilion, as well as increase revenue for the City;

7. (d) Therefore be it resolved that appropriate staff provide a report which outlines the financial history of the Pavilion as well as the implications of developing a community operating partnership. In addition, this resolution is also to be referred to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for suggestions and/or comments, regarding a private sector partnership. CARRIED.
- (e) Moved by Councillor T. Austin
Seconded by Councillor P. Vaudry
Resolved that the petition from residents of Sussex Road requesting that the concrete base on Sussex Road from Korah Road to Prentice Avenue be removed and replaced with asphalt base be referred to the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation for review and report back to City Council. CARRIED.
- (f) Moved by Councillor B. Irwin
Seconded by Councillor P. Vaudry
Resolved that the sum of \$2,000.00 be provided to the International Relations Committee from the Economic Development Fund for the purpose of retaining services relating to the development of a FEDNOR application. CARRIED.

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 D. Brandt
Resolved that all the by-laws listed under item 10 of the Agenda under date 2001 04 09 be approved.
- (a) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-55 being a by-law to authorize an agreement between the City and Totten Sims Hubicki to provide engineering services for the reconstruction of Queen Street between Andrew Street and Huron Street be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (b) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-56 being a by-law to amend By-law 2000-147 as amended, being a by-law to establish non-union job classifications and to fix the remuneration therefor, be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.

10. (c) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-57 being a by-law to authorize an agreement for a three year period, at a cost of \$15,000.00 per year between the City and David Monaghan and Associates concerning nuisance bear control be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (d) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-58 being a by-law to authorize the removal from title to the property owned by St. Mary's Paper Inc. at 75 Huron Street, designation By-law 80-113 and Easement Document By-law 88-311 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (e) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-59 being a by-law to amend By-law 84-195 (Pedlars) be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (f) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-60 being a by-law to provide for 2001 Interim tax levy adjustments for the properties listed in Schedule "A" to the by-law be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (g) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-61 being a by-law to continue the Parks and Recreation Committee be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (h) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-62 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-laws 4500 and 4501 concerning 1177 and 1183 Great Northern Road be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.
- (i) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-63 being a by-law to establish as streets and assume for public use various parcels of land conveyed to the City be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.

10. (j) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that By-law 2001-64 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-laws 4500 and 4501 concerning 117 Spring Street be read three times and passed in Open Council this 9th day of April, 2001. CARRIED.

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

- (a) Moved by Councillor T. Austin
Seconded by Councillor P. Vaudry
Whereas other municipalities have “experimented” with alternate waste collection methods in attempts to reduce costs in providing this service to residents;
And whereas these have included amongst other efforts, collection on one side of the street only, alternating sides regularly so that residents on both sides of the street are equally required during the year to place their refuse across the street;
Now therefore be it resolved that the Department of Public Works and Transportation contact other municipalities about the success of such experiments and report back to Council with any recommendations that might result in significant savings in our refuse collection costs. CARRIED.

- (b) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor D. Brandt
Resolved that this Council shall now go into Caucus to discuss one legal (solicitor-client privilege) and one labour relations matter. CARRIED.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

“JOHN ROWSWELL”
MAYOR

“MALCOLM WHITE”
DEPUTY CITY CLERK