

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2005 04 25

5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, P. Mick, L. Turco, J. Curran, D. Celetti, J. Collins, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, B. Hayes, F. Manzo, N. DelBianco, D. Amaroso

OFFICIALS: J. Fratesi, M. White, L. Bottos, P. McAuley, N. Apostle, B. Freiburger, J. Luszka, J. Dolcetti, K. Streich-Poser, D. McConnell

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2005 04 11 be approved. CARRIED.

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

4. **DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- (a) Denise Hugli, Volunteer Co-Chair, Sault Ste. Marie Chapter of Child Find Ontario was in attendance concerning Proclamation – Green Ribbon of Hope Month.
- (b) Major and Mrs. Paul Wood, Salvation Army were in attendance concerning Proclamation – Red Shield Month.
- (c) Joanne Cain, Multiple Sclerosis Society, was in attendance concerning Proclamation – MS Month of May.
- (d) Students from St. Mary's College were in attendance concerning Proclamation – Catholic Education Week.
- (e) Pierrette Brown and Jill Zago, Chair - Dragon Boat Festival Committee 2005 were in attendance concerning agenda item 5.(a).

- 4. (f) Andre Riopel was in attendance concerning agenda item 6.(6)(a).
- (g) Peter Bortolussi was in attendance concerning agenda item 6.(6)(b).

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 2005 04 25 - Part One - Consent Agenda and Addendum #1 be approved as recommended. CARRIED.

- (a) The letter from the Chair - Dragon Boat Festival Committee 2005 was received by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the request of the Dragon Boat Festival Committee 2005 concerning the waiving of fees for the use of Top Sail Island BE REFERRED to the Finance Department for review and further report to Council. CARRIED.

- (b) Correspondence from AMO was received by Council.

Moved by Councillor D. Amaroso

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that City Council express its support for trail development as outlined in the recent correspondence from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and for the concerns AMO has outlined regarding the continued burden that Section 20 of the Line Fences Act places on municipalities attempting to develop abandoned railways into usable trails. CARRIED.

- (c) Correspondence from the City of Ottawa (concerning Retirement Farm Lots); the City of Timmins (concerning childhood obesity) and the County of Prince Edward (concerning MNR strategy for wolves) was received by Council.

- (d) Correspondence concerning a request to hold a Special Occasion permit event at an outdoor municipal facility was accepted by Council.

5. (d) Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that the following request to hold a Special Occasion permit event at a municipal facility on the stated date and times be endorsed by City Council:
Roberta Bondar Pavilion
Evoy/Conway Wedding
July 23, 2005 - 5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. CARRIED.
- (e) **Council Travel**

Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes
Resolved that Councillors Lou Turco and Frank Manzo be authorized to attend FONOM/NEOM Conference to be held in Parry Sound, May 2005 at an estimated cost of \$1,920.00. CARRIED.
- (f) **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 2005 04 25 be approved as requested. CARRIED.
- (g) **Tender for Traffic Marking Paint**
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 2005 04 25 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply and delivery of Traffic Marking Paint, required by the Public Works and Transportation Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.
- (h) **Quotation for Acoustic Treatment - Rhodes Centre 2nd Floor Meeting Room**
The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2005 04 25 be endorsed and that the quotation for Acoustic Treatment of the 2nd Floor Meeting Room at the John Rhodes Centre, required by the Community Services Department, be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

5. (i) **Vacant Unit Tax Rebate Program - Commercial and Industrial Properties**
The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that pursuant to Section 364 of the Municipal Act, 2001, the adjustments, under the vacant unit tax rebate program, for tax accounts outlined on the City Tax Collector's report of 2005 04 25 be approved and the tax records be amended accordingly. CARRIED.

- (j) **Tax Registration and Tax Sale**
The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the City Tax Collector be accepted to commence Tax Sale Proceedings in accordance with the report. CARRIED.

- (k) **Property Tax Appeals**
The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that pursuant to Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001, the adjustments for tax accounts outlined on the City Tax Collector's report of 2005 04 25 be approved and the tax records be amended accordingly. CARRIED.

- (l) **Contract 2005-3E - Transportation Corridor - Part A - International Bridge Plaza to Wellington Street West**
The report of the Manager of Construction and Environmental Engineering was accepted by Council. The relevant By-laws 2005-76 and 2005-77 are listed under item 10 of the Minutes.

- (m) **Proposed Intermodal Facility**
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 2005 04 25 concerning the Proposed Intermodal Facility be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council authorize applications for funding to both FedNor and NOHFC in the amount of \$476,000.00 and further that staff be authorized to negotiate an agreement for City Council approval with TSH Engineers Ltd. for the required environmental assessment studies, detailed design and construction supervision associated with this project be endorsed. CARRIED.

5. (n) Correspondence from AMO concerning Federal gas tax revenue was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor T. Sheehan

Seconded by Councillor J. Curran

Whereas municipalities across Ontario and across Canada have been working toward the implementation of new fiscal arrangements with the Government of Canada; and

Whereas municipal associations and municipalities have been successful in securing a commitment from the Federal Government to provide greater help in ensuring the financial sustainability of our communities, large and small; and

Whereas the 2005 Federal Budget promised to deliver critically important gas tax revenues to municipalities for investment in municipal infrastructure, including water and wastewater systems, waste management, transit and the rehabilitation of bridges and roads; and

Whereas the Federal Budget allocated \$224 million in federal gas tax funding for Ontario municipalities in 2005/06 growing to \$746 million in 2009/10, subject to the passage of the Budget Bill. Passage of the Bill is vitally important for municipalities; and

Whereas if the Parliament of Canada does not pass the Budget Bill, municipalities risk loss or delay of hundreds of millions of dollars in new federal funding;

Therefore be it resolved that the Mayor of Sault Ste. Marie on behalf of City Council immediately write to the Prime Minister of Canada, Paul Martin and to the other opposition leaders urging them to pass a Budget Bill which contains gas tax revenues for Ontario Municipalities, including Sault Ste. Marie, prior to an election call; and

Further that this resolution be forwarded to Tony Martin, Member of Parliament for Sault Ste. Marie and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and

Further that City Council allocate any gas tax revenue received towards road work improvements. CARRIED.

- (o) Correspondence from Sault Area Hospital concerning the New Hospital Project Functional Program Approval was accepted by Council.

PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA

6. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

6. (6) PLANNING

(a) Application No. A-14-05-Z.OP – 162 Old Garden River Road – Andre Riopel – Request to Develop a Multiple Unit Commercial Strip Plaza, a Hiker/Biker Campground and Manufacture Bicycle Frames

The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor D. Amaroso

Seconded by Councillor J. Collins

Resolved that condition #4 of Application No. A-14-05-Z.OP BE AMENDED to reflect a parking ratio of 2 spaces per 100 m². CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2005 04 25 concerning Application No. A-14-05-Z.OP - Andre Riopel be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council approve the rezoning of the subject property from "R-5" (Single Detached Residential) zone, "R-7" (Semi Detached Residential) zone and "M-2" (Light Industrial) zone to "B-3" (General Business) zone subject to the 7 conditions contained in the report AS AMENDED be endorsed. CARRIED.

(b) Application No. A-15-05-Z – 2125 Great Northern Road – Brandes Aggregates Limited – Request to add a Composting Yard for Leaf and Yard Waste

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 2005 04 25 concerning Application No. A-15-05-Z - Brandes Aggregates Limited be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council DEFER this application until such time as the environmental impact report is received and reviewed be endorsed. CARRIED.

(c) Application No. A-16-05-Z – 15 Lethbridge Crescent – Scott Kennedy and Patricia Evans – Request to Allow a Home-Based Business (Recording Studio) in an Accessory Building

The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

6. (6)
(c) Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2005 04 25 concerning Application No. A-16-05-Z - Scott Kennedy be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council accept this report as information be endorsed. CARRIED.

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

- (a) Moved by Councillor F. Manzo
Seconded by Councillor D. Celetti
Resolved that City Council formally congratulate former Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger on his election as Pope Benedict XVI; and
Further that this resolution be communicated to the Vatican through Jean-Louis Plouffe, Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie. CARRIED.

(b) Notice of Motion

Mover Councillor S. Butland
Seconder Councillor J. Caicco

Whereas the functional plan for the new hospital has been approved; and
Whereas any infrastructure improvement funds have already been allocated;
Be it resolved that Council request staff to proceed with the necessary infrastructure preparations (eg., roadways, sewers, etc.) to complement whatever other immediate infrastructure initiatives may be taken by the Sault Area Hospitals.

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 2005 04 25 be approved. CARRIED.

10. (a) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that By-law 2005-62 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the City, PUC Services Inc. and the Innovation Centre for the provision of integrated geomatics services be read three times and passed in Open Council this 25th day of April, 2005. CARRIED.
- (b) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that By-law 2005-74 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-law 4500 and 4501 concerning lands located at 7 North Eden Street be read three times and passed in Open Council this 25th day of April, 2005. (Lucas) CARRIED.
- (c) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that By-law 2005-75 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-law 4500 and 4501 regarding the lands located at 114 Tancred Street be read three times and passed in Open Council this 25th day of April, 2005. (Marecki) CARRIED.
- (d) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that By-law 2005-76 being a by-law to authorize an agreement between the City and Palmer Construction Group for the reconstruction of underground services, excavation, grading, paving and surface works for the Transportation Corridor from the International Bridge Plaza to Wellington Street West (Contract No. 2005-3E) be read three times and passed in Open Council this 25th day of April, 2005. CARRIED.
- (e) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that By-law 2005-77 being a by-law to permit the temporary closing of various streets to facilitate the construction of the Transportation Corridor be read three times and passed in Open Council this 25th day of April, 2005. CARRIED.
- (f) Moved by Councillor L. Turco
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick
Resolved that By-law 2005-78 being a by-law to assume for public use and establish as public street various parcels of land conveyed to the City be read three times and passed in Open Council this 25th day of April, 2005. CARRIED.

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

12.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor N. DelBianco

Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

"John Rowswell"

MAYOR

"Donna P. Irving"

CLERK