

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2007 09 10

4:30 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, L. Turco, B. Hayes, D. Celetti, O. Grandinetti, S. Myers, L. Tridico, F. Fata, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, F. Manzo, P. Mick

OFFICIALS: J. Fratesi, D. Irving, N. Kenny, B. Freiburger, P. McAuley, N. Apostle, J. Dolcetti, L. Rosso, D. McConnell, M. White

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2007 08 27 be approved. CARRIED.

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

3. **APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the Agenda for the 2007 09 10 City Council Meeting as presented be approved. CARRIED.

4. **DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- (a) Bill Durnford, 2007 Campaign Cabinet Chair, United Way of Sault Ste. Marie was in attendance concerning Proclamation 2007 - United Way Campaign.
- (b) Robin Kerr, Executive Director, Victim Crisis Assistance and Referral Service was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Victim Services Day.
- (c) Marilyn MacBeth, Campaign Assistant, Kidney Foundation Sault Unit and Patty Jo Duggan, Organ Recipient were in attendance concerning Proclamation - Be a Lifesaver Walk Day.

4. (d) Lou St. Jules, Oncology Program Coordinator was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Elks and Royal Purple Oncology Van Program Week.
- (e) Udo Rauk, CAO Downtown Association was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Walk of Fame Day.
- (f) Walter Wallace, President, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 25 was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Veterans Appreciation Day.
- (g) Donna Mansfield, Chairperson for Women for Social Justice was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Take Back The Night.
- (h) Joel Lafrance, Sault Ste. Marie Canal Site Manager was in attendance concerning a verbal update of the operation and maintenance of the Sault Ste. Marie Canal (Locks) Parks Canada site.
- (i) Chris Bazinet 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 P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2007 09 10 - Part One - Consent Agenda be approved as recommended. CARRIED.

- (a) Correspondence from AMO was received by Council.
- (b) The Outstanding Council Resolutions List dated 2007 08 27 was received by Council.
- (c) Correspondence from the Township of Tyendinaga (concerning land claim negotiations); and the City of Guelph (concerning provincial transportation standards developed under the Accessibility for Ontarians With Disabilities) was received by Council.
- (d) **Staff Travel Requests**
The report of the Chief Administrative Officer was accepted by Council.

5. (d) Moved by Councillor P. Mick
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco
Resolved that the Staff Travel Requests contained in the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated 2007 09 10 be approved as requested. CARRIED.

(e) **Council Travel**

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico
Resolved that Councillor Lou Turco be authorized to travel to a FONOM Board Meeting and Northern Summit being held in Timmins, Ontario (4 days in October) at no cost to the City. CARRIED.

(f) **Council Travel Budget**

The memo from Mayor John Rowswell was received by Council.

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco
Resolved that the request from Mayor John Rowswell in a memo dated 2007 08 24 for authorization from Council that the 2007 International Travel Budget allocation for members of Council in the amount of \$7,000.00 be transferred to the Mayor's 2007 Travel Budget to cover expenses incurred for his international travel to China in April 2007 be approved. CARRIED.

Recorded Vote

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, L. Turco, B. Hayes, O. Grandinetti, S. Myers, S. Butland, P. Mick

Against: Councillors D. Celetti, L. Tridico, F. Fata, T. Sheehan, F. Manzo

Absent: Nil

(g) **Property Tax Appeals**

The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico
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 2007 09 10 be approved and the tax records be amended accordingly. CARRIED.

(h) **Vacant Unit Tax Rebate Program - Commercial and Industrial Properties**

The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council.

5. (h) Moved by Councillor P. Mick
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco
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 2007 09 10 be approved and the tax records be amended accordingly. CARRIED.

(i) **254-258 Queen Street East Readvertise for Public Tax Sale**

The report of the City Tax Collector was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the report of the City Tax Collector dated 2007 09 10 concerning 254-258 Queen Street East to Readvertise for Public Tax Sale be approved. CARRIED.

(j) **Proposed Debenture Issue for the Steelback Centre**

The report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2007 09 10 concerning Proposed Debenture Issue for the Steelback Centre be accepted and the recommendation that the City's fiscal agents be authorized to proceed with the debenture sale of \$11.22 million for the Steelback Centre be approved. CARRIED.

(k) **Accessibility Plan 2007 Second Quarter Implementation Status Report April to June 2007**

The report of the Policy and Implementation Manager, Social Services was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the report of the Policy and Implementation Manager, Social Services dated 2007 09 10 concerning Accessibility Plan 2007 - Second Quarter Implementation Status Report (April to June 2007) be accepted as information. CARRIED.

(l) **Smoking in Entranceways**

The report of the Assistant City Solicitor was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2007-154 is listed under Item 10 of the Minutes.

5. (m) **Tabled Resolution From August 27th Asking the Engineering Department to Review and Report Back to Council on a Letter Which Proposes the Extension of Willow Avenue**

The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2007 09 10 concerning Tabled Resolution From August 27th Asking the Engineering Department to Review and Report Back to Council on a Letter Which Proposes the Extension of Willow Avenue be accepted as information. CARRIED.

(n) **School Loading and Unloading Zones**

The report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2007 09 10 concerning School Loading and Unloading Zones be accepted as information and the recommendation that staff from both school boards, Laidlaw Transportation, Police Services and Public Works and Transportation continue to monitor the various school zones, continue to communicate with each other, and to meet as required to ensure school zones traffic issues are addressed as they arise be approved. CARRIED.

(o) **Eastern Avenue**

The report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2007 09 10 concerning Eastern Avenue be accepted and the recommendation that when the various sections of Eastern Avenue are surface treated in the future that the City continue to use the standard 7.0 metres width for this type of local road be approved. CARRIED.

PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA

6. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

6. (1) ADMINISTRATIVE

(a) Corporate Strategic Plan

The report of the Deputy City Clerk and Manager of Quality Improvement was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the report of the Deputy City Clerk and Manager of Quality Improvement dated 2007 09 10 concerning Corporate Strategic Plan be accepted and the recommendation that Council agree to proceed with the development of the corporate strategic plan as originally outlined; and Further that a Special Committee of the Whole Council Meeting be held for the purpose of developing the Corporate Strategic Plan be approved. CARRIED.

6. (6) PLANNING

(a) Application No. A-17-07-Z - Chris Bazinet, Waste Management of Canada Corporation - 120 Industrial Court "A" - Request to Facilitate the Development of a Waste Transfer and Recycling Facility to be Located at the Rear of the Property

The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2007 09 10 concerning Application No. A-17-07-Z - Chris Bazinet, Waste Management of Canada Corporation be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council approve the rezoning of the subject property from M2, Medium Industrial Zone, to M2 with a Special Exception to permit a waste transfer and recycling facility, subject to the following:

1. That no outside storage of waste materials is permitted.
2. That the storage of hazardous waste materials is not permitted.
3. That for the proposed 15.26m x 18.29m building only, the rear yard setback be reduced to 1.5 meters, and the easterly side yard setback be reduced to 3.5 meters 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 L. Tridico
Resolved that the letter from the resident of 431 Old Garden River Road dated 2007 08 27 concerning access through the MTO property from Willow Avenue BE REFERRED to Engineering Department staff for review and report back to Council. CARRIED.
- (b) Moved by Councillor S. Myers
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes
Whereas in January of this year, a survey was undertaken to determine the equipment needs of City Council members for effective and timely communication with staff, business and constituents; and
Whereas each member of City Council indicated their preferred technology tool for use and to be accessible; and
Whereas most business communications today are via e-mail; and
Whereas \$39,000.00 was approved in the 2007 budget for thirteen members of Council to receive such;
Now therefore be it resolved that staff be directed to proceed with the purchase of computer equipment based upon the need of each member, staying within the approved budget of \$39,000.00. CARRIED.

Recorded Vote

For: Mayor J. Rowswell, Councillors J. Caicco, L. Turco, B. Hayes, O. Grandinetti, S. Myers, T. Sheehan, S. Butland, P. Mick

Against: Councillors D. Celetti, L. Tridico, F. Fata, F. Manzo

Absent: Nil

- (c) Moved by Councillor P. Mick
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco
Whereas we, as a Council and also as citizens, are being challenged to reduce our CO² emissions; and
Whereas all levels of government are becoming more involved in environmental awareness; and
Whereas many citizens are inquiring about the City of Sault Ste. Marie's action plan on the environment; and
Whereas many municipalities are touting their environmental initiatives;
Therefore be it resolved that Council asks for an update report from staff on current practices and future plans to reduce municipal CO² emissions. CARRIED.

7. (c) Background material as well as the resolution dated 2006 01 23 was received by Council.
- (d) Moved by Councillor F. Manzo
Seconded by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Resolved that City Council accept the letter and petition from the residents of the area of Prentice Avenue and Second Line West regarding traffic lights at the intersection of Prentice Avenue and Second Line West, due to several accidents in the past; and
Further be it resolved that this letter and petition be forwarded to the Engineering and Traffic Department for a report back to City Council.
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 B. Hayes
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico
Resolved that all the by-laws listed under Item 10 of the Agenda under date 2007 09 10 be approved. CARRIED.
- (a) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico
Resolved that By-law 2007-154 being a by-law to amend Smoking By-law 2003-7 concerning regulating smoking in public places be read three times and passed in Open Council this 10th day of September, 2007. 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 L. Turco
Resolved that this Council shall now go into Caucus to discuss one property (possible land acquisition) and one legal (solicitor-client privilege) matter; and
Further be it resolved that should the said Caucus meeting be adjourned, Council may reconvene in Caucus prior to the next meeting of Council to discuss the same matter(s). CARRIED.
- Mayor John Rowswell and Councillor Ozzie Grandinetti each declared a pecuniary interest concerning one matter at the 2007 09 10 Council Caucus Meeting.

12.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

"John Rowswell"

MAYOR

"Donna P. Irving"

CLERK