

## **MINUTES**

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

**2007 03 12**

**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, S. Butland, P. Mick

**ABSENT:** Councillors T. Sheehan (out of town), F. Manzo (illness)

**OFFICIALS:** J. Fratesi, D. Irving, P. Tonazzo, L. McCoy, B. Freiburger, L. Bottos, K. Streich-Poser, S. McLellan, J. Dolcetti, P. McAuley, F. Coccimiglio, 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 02 26 be approved. CARRIED.

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

4. **DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

### **PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2007 03 12 - Part One - Consent Agenda, [save and except 5.(t) OFFICIALLY READ NOT DEALT WITH] be approved as recommended. CARRIED.

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

5. (b) The letter from Councillors Steve Butland and James Caicco to the Project Manager North America Construction concerning operations at the East End Water Pollution Control Plant was received by Council.
- (c) The letter from the Ministry of Transportation concerning designation/revocation of connecting link Highway 17 and 550 was received by Council.
- (d) Correspondence from the Municipality of Killarney (concerning controlling the spread of the VHS fish virus) was received by Council.

(e) **Staff Travel Requests**

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

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the Staff Travel Requests contained in the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated 2007 03 12 be approved as requested. CARRIED.

(f) **Proposal for the Supply and Installation of Computer Hardware/Software for Network Server**

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

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2007 03 12 be endorsed and that the proposal for the supply and installation of Computer Hardware/Software for the Civic Centre Network Server, required by the Information Technology Division be accepted as recommended. CARRIED.

(g) **Tender for Supply and Delivery of Sixty (60) Desktop Personal Computers**

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

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2007 03 12 be endorsed and that the tender for the Supply and Delivery of Sixty (60) Desktop Personal Computers, required by the Information Technology Division be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

(h) **Interest Payment Reduction From PUC - Request for a Shareholder Meeting**

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

5. (h) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco  
Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2007 03 12 concerning Interest Payment Reduction From PUC be accepted as information, and further that a PUC Inc. Shareholder Open Meeting be held on 2007 03 26 be approved. CARRIED.
- (i) **Corporate Strategic Plan Refresh/Update**  
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 03 12 concerning Corporate Strategic Plan Refresh/Update be accepted and the recommendation to approve the proposed process to refresh/update the Corporate Strategic Plan with a target date for the approval of the new plan of June 11, 2007 be endorsed. CARRIED.
- (j) **Proposal and Application to the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration for Funding for the Development of “mysaultstemarie.ca” a New Web Portal Principally Developed for the Benefit of Potential and Recent Immigrants to our Community and For Other Development Purposes**  
The reports of the Manager of Information Technology, the Commissioner of Social Services, Employment Resources of City of Sault Ste. Marie and the C.E.O., Economic Development Corporation were accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor P. Mick  
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco  
Resolved that the reports of the Manager of Information Technology, the Commissioner of Social Services, Employment Resources of City of Sault Ste. Marie and the C.E.O., Economic Development Corporation dated March 2007 concerning Application to the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration for the Development and Operation of an Immigration Web Portal for the City of Sault Ste. Marie be accepted and the recommendation that Council authorize financial and in-kind support to the development and implementation of the ‘mysaultstemarie.ca’ project as follows:  
1) Council supports the application to the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture for the Immigration Web Portal; and  
2) Council authorizes \$20,000.00 from the 2006 Economic Diversification Fund to support the sustainability of the Web Portal in the third and fourth year of operation be approved. CARRIED.
- (k) **Community Heritage Ontario Conference**  
The report of the Commissioner of Community Services was accepted by Council.

5. (k) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Community Services dated 2007 03 12 concerning Community Heritage Ontario Conference be accepted and the recommendation that Municipal Heritage Committee member Roger Kinghorn be authorized to attend the Annual CHO/ACO/CAPHC Conference being held in Guelph Ontario in May 2007 at an estimated cost of \$700.00 be approved. CARRIED.

(l) **Steelback Centre - Request From the Sault Area Hospital Foundation**

The report of the Commissioner of Community Services was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Community Services dated 2007 03 12 concerning Steelback Centre Request From the Sault Area Hospital Foundation be accepted and the recommendation that the request from SAH Foundation to have the rental fee for the Steelback Centre waived for their May 2007 Appreciation Function be approved. CARRIED.

(m) **N.O.H.F.C. Application for Youth Internship at the Ermatinger-Clergue National Historic Site**

The report of the Curator, Ermatinger-Clergue National Historic Site was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that the report of the Curator, Ermatinger-Clergue National Historic Site dated 2007 03 12 concerning N.O.H.F.C. Application for Youth Internship at the Ermatinger-Clergue National Historic Site be accepted as information. CARRIED.

(n) **Small Vehicle Purchase - Fire Services**

The report of the Fire Chief was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Fire Chief dated 2007 03 12 concerning Small Vehicle Purchase - Fire Services be accepted and the recommendation that the City purchase the 2003 Ford Windstar from Maitland Lewis Motors for \$10,900.00 plus applicable taxes and that the funds to cover the purchase come from the Fire Capital Equipment Reserve Account be approved. CARRIED.

5. (o) **Amendments to the Procedure By-law Flowing From the Special Council Meeting on January 22, 2007**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2007-31 is listed under Item 10 of the Minutes.
- (p) **Council Resolution Passed January 15<sup>th</sup> Regarding Airport Emergency Response Measures**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2007 03 12 concerning Council Resolution Passed January 15<sup>th</sup> Regarding Airport Emergency Response Measures be accepted as information. CARRIED.
- (q) **Transfer of Property and Chattels From the Federal Government to the City - Bellevue Marina**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council. The relevant By-laws 2007-42 and 2007-43 are listed under Item 10 of the Minutes.
- (r) **Proposed City Sale of 605 Third Line East to 1187839 Ontario Limited**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco  
Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2007 03 12 concerning Proposed Sale of 605 Third Line East to 1187839 Ontario Limited be accepted and the recommendation that Council agree to allow 1187839 Ontario Inc. (or any other purchaser as directed by that numbered company) to have two years to build a building instead of one year and that if the purchaser does not build a building within two years, then the property is conveyed back to the City at the original purchase price be approved. CARRIED.
- (s) **Revised By-law Regarding the Duties of the Chief Administrative Officer**  
The report of the City Solicitor was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2007-48 is listed under Item 10 of the Minutes.
- (t) **Proposed City Sale of Property Located at Rear 71 Old Garden River Road**  
The report of the City Solicitor was received by Council. The relevant By-law 2007-49 is listed under Item 10 of the Minutes. OFFICIALLY READ NOT DEALT WITH.
- (u) **Application No. A-27-06-Z - City of Sault Ste. Marie - Public Notice of Minor Amendments to Zoning By-law 2005-150 and Special Exceptions By-law 2005-151**  
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

5. (u) Moved by Councillor P. Mick  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2007 03 12 concerning Application No. A-27-06-Z - City of Sault Ste. Marie be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council accept the proposed amendments as information and authorize staff to give Public Notice of Council's intent to consider these matters at their April 16, 2007 meeting be endorsed. CARRIED.
- (v) **Free Parking for Veterans**  
The report of the Assistant Manager, Transit/Parking Division was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor P. Mick  
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco  
Resolved that the report of the Assistant Manager, Transit/Parking dated 2007 03 12 concerning Free Parking for Veterans be accepted and the recommendation that two hours of free parking at meters be extended to veterans for a period of five years be approved. CARRIED.
- (w) **Lions Club - Pointe des Chenes Campground**  
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 03 12 concerning Lions Club - Pointe des Chenes Campground be accepted as information. CARRIED.

## **PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA**

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

#### **6. (1) ADMINISTRATIVE**

##### **(a) 2007 Preliminary Budget Presentation**

The Manager of Budgets and Revenue was in attendance with a presentation to Council concerning the 2007 Budget for the information of Council.

7.

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

- (a) Moved by Councillor P. Mick  
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco  
Whereas seniors comprise a larger percentage of the population of Sault Ste. Marie than the provincial average; and  
Whereas many of these seniors want to remain in their own homes; and  
Whereas there is a very low vacancy rate for appropriate seniors housing; and  
Whereas it is both desirable and more economically feasible for seniors to remain in their homes; and  
Whereas one of the biggest deterrents to senior's self-sufficiency is heavy yard work; and  
Whereas many seniors in Northwestern Ontario are receiving assistance in their municipalities (e.g., Schreiber) from the "Home Help Program" subsidized by the Ministry of Long-Term Care;  
Therefore be it resolved that the Commissioner of Social Services and Commissioner of Community Services contacts the Ministry of Long-Term Care to access the "Home Help Program" on behalf of our seniors in Sault Ste. Marie and report back to Council. CARRIED.
- (b) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor P. Mick  
Whereas from time to time significant amounts of snow from plowing operations is stored on property; and  
Whereas dependent upon the amount of snow stored and the proximity to an adjacent property owner, the spring melt may very well cause flooding damage to an adjacent property; and  
Whereas property damage resulting from flooding may result in not only lost income but also expensive civil claims;  
Now therefore be it resolved that City Council request staff to develop a by-law restricting significant amounts of snow from plowing operations from being stored within close proximity to an adjacent property and report back to Council. CARRIED.
- (c) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Turco  
Resolved that Councillor Steve Butland be authorized to travel to Toronto (3 days in March) to meet with two recycling firms: Recycle MBA (plastic bags) and Grace Canada (styrofoam) to discuss the potential to assist Sault Ste. Marie in its Waste Diversion Program (see Toronto Star excerpt and e-mail) at an estimated cost of \$500.00 to the City. CARRIED.

7. (d) Moved by Councillor S. Myers  
Seconded by Councillor D. Celetti  
Resolved that in light of the recent proposed development of "Collegiate Heights Retirement Home" - 33 units; and  
Residents in that immediate area will not be given suitable notice of the planned expansion nor sufficient allotment for parking for these units or visitors; and  
The owners of this retirement home have not entertained any/or all concerns of their immediate neighbour residents on how it will affect their quality of life, parking and total infringement on the lifestyles of the area neighbour residents;  
Be it resolved that the Planning Division review this application and report back to Council with any options for neighbour residents to have input. 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, [save and except By-law 2007-49 - OFFICIALLY READ NOT DEALT WITH] under date 2007 03 12 be approved. CARRIED.

- (a) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-31 being a by-law to amend By-law 99-100 being a By-law to regulate the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.

- (b) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-42 being a by-law to authorize the proposed transfer of the Bellevue Marina to the City by Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.

- (c) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-43 being a by-law to authorize a Bill of Sale between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans concerning the proposed transfer of the Bellevue Marina to the City be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.



10. (d) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-45 being a by-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers to enforce the by-laws on various properties be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.
- (e) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-46 being a by-law to appoint by-law enforcement officers to enforce the by-laws of the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.
- (f) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-47 being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 120 to the Official Plan be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.
- (g) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-48 being a by-law regarding the responsibilities of the Chief Administrative Officer and to repeal By-law 80-380 and 84-56 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. CARRIED.
- (h) Moved by Councillor B. Hayes  
Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico  
Resolved that By-law 2007-49 being a by-law to authorize the sale of a portion of 71 Old Garden River Road be read three times and passed in Open Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007. OFFICIALLY READ NOT DEALT WITH.

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

12.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by Councillor L. Tridico

Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

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"FRANK FATA"

**ACTING MAYOR**

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'DONNA P. IRVING'

**CLERK**