

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2008 12 15

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. Apostle, B. Freiburger, L. Bottos, P. McAuley, J. Dolcetti, S. Hamilton-Beach, D. McConnell

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2008 12 01 be approved. CARRIED.

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

3. **APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that the Agenda for the 2008 12 15 City Council Meeting as presented be approved. CARRIED.

4. **DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- (a) Cheryl Linklater-Halverson, Supervisor of Volunteer Sault Ste. Marie, United Way was in attendance concerning Proclamation - Community Christmas for Children
- (b) Proclamation - International Sault Ste. Marie Night – December 31st
- (c) Paul Beach and Jason Collins, representatives of the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre GIS Division were in attendance concerning agenda item 6.(8)(a).

PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA

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

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2008 12 15 - Part One - Consent Agenda be approved as recommended. CARRIED.

- (a) Correspondence from AMO and OGRA was received by Council.
- (b) Correspondence from the City of Oshawa (concerning developing province-wide recreation, parks and sport infrastructure funding); City of Cambridge (concerning property tax assessment); and Township of South Stormont (concerning Bill 50 the Provincial Animal Welfare Act 2008) was received by Council.

(c) Staff Travel Requests

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

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that the Staff Travel Requests contained in the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated 2008 12 15 be approved as requested. CARRIED.

(d) Tender for Oils, Greases and Gear Lubricants (2008WA26)

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

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2008 12 15 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply and delivery of Oils, Greases and Gear Lubricants, required by the various City Departments and cooperatively Public Utilities Inc. be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

(e) Tender for Padded Folding Chairs – Essar Centre

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

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2008 12 15 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply and delivery of 1,000 Padded Folding Chairs and Chair Carts, required by the Community Services Department be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

5. (f) **Tender for Roof Replacement – Seniors Drop-In Centre**
The report of the Manager of Purchasing was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2008 12 15 be endorsed and that the tender for Roof Replacement at the Seniors Drop-In Centre, required by the Community Services Department be awarded as recommended. CARRIED.

- (g) **Borrowing By-laws for 2009**
The report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer was accepted by Council. The relevant By-laws 2008-214 and 2008-222 are listed under Item 10 of the Minutes.

- (h) **Stormwater Investigative Study – Consultant Selection**
The report of the Director of Engineering Services was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that the report of the Director of Engineering Services dated 2008 12 15 concerning Stormwater Investigative Study – Consultant Selection be accepted and the recommendation that the team of Dennis (R. V. Anderson)/Wm. R. Walker Engineering/Hydro-Com be retained to conduct the Stormwater Investigative Study be approved. CARRIED.

- (i) **Liquidated Damages on City Construction Projects**
The report of the Design and Construction Engineer was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco

Resolved that the report of the Design and Construction Engineer dated 2008 12 15 concerning Liquidated Damages on City Construction Projects be accepted as information. CARRIED.

- (j) **Annual Report – Downtown Development Initiative**
The report of the Planning Division was accepted by Council.

5. (j) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor S. Butland
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2008 12 15 concerning the Annual Report – Downtown Development Initiative be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council accepts this report as an update to the ongoing implementation of the Downtown Development Initiative, and that City staff initiate an amendment to the OMAFRA agreement requesting that funds for Project Feasibility be shifted to Building and Facade Improvements be endorsed; and
Further that City Council authorizes an application to FedNor for additional funding in the amount of \$240,000.00 to continue the Downtown Development Initiative. CARRIED.

Councillor L. Tridico declared a pecuniary interest – family member has applied for a Downtown Development Initiative Grant.

- (k) **Free Bus Service in the City on the Evening of December 31st**
The report of the Transit Manager was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco
Resolved that the report of the Transit Manager dated 2008 12 15 concerning Free Bus Service in the City on the Evening of December 31st be accepted and the recommendation that Transit Services provide free conventional and para bus service in the City on the evening of December 31st (from 6:00 p.m. until the last run leaving the bus terminal at 11:45 p.m. - coming off the road at 12:30 a.m.) be approved. CARRIED.

- (l) **Wilcox Avenue Sidewalk Plowing**
The report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation was accepted by Council.

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor S. Butland
Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2008 12 15 concerning Wilcox Avenue Sidewalk Plowing be accepted and the recommendation that:
1. sidewalk plowing NOT take place on Wilcox Avenue over the winter of 2008-09 due to the lateness in the year and the amount of snow already on the ground; and
2. sidewalk plowing be added for the south side of Wilcox Avenue starting in the winter of 2009-10; and
3. an all-day 'no parking' zone be put in place from November 1st to March 31st along the south side of Wilcox Avenue starting in the fall of 2009 to permit snow storage in the parking lane, be approved. CARRIED.

5. (m) **Police Service Fee Schedule**
The report of the Chief of Police was accepted by Council. The relevant By-law 2008-225 is listed under Item 10 of the Minutes.
- Councillor L. Turco declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by Police Services.
- (n) **Conferences and Major Special Events Committee Update to Council**
The report of the Chair, Conferences and Major Special Events Committee was accepted by Council.
- Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor S. Butland
Resolved that the report of the Chair, Conferences and Major Special Events Committee dated 2008 12 15 concerning Update to Council be accepted as information. CARRIED.

PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA

6. **REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**
6. (6) **PLANNING**
- (a) **Application No. A-32-08-Z – City of Sault Ste. Marie Planning Division – 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.
- Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco
Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2008 12 15 concerning Application No. A-32-08-Z – City of Sault Ste. Marie Planning Division be accepted and the Planning Director's recommendation that City Council approve Application 32-08-Z, Minor Amendments to Zoning By-law 2005-150 and Special Exceptions By-law 2005-151 be endorsed. CARRIED.
6. (8) **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**
- (a) **Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre – A Proposal for the Youth Crime Committee**
The report of the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre was accepted by Council.

6. (8)
(a)

Moved by Councillor B. Hayes

Seconded by Councillor F. Fata

Whereas the Municipal Performance Measurement Program results of 2007 indicated a 28.9% increase in youth crime versus the 2006 results with 1,219 youth involved in criminal instances in 2007 versus 946 in 2006; and

Whereas this program also reported that in 2007 the youth crime rate was 204.4 per 1,000 youths; and

Whereas on the surface these results are substantially higher than other Northern Municipalities; and

Whereas as a result of the above-mentioned statistics City Council formed a committee to better understand the statistics and depending on the analysis to perhaps take a leadership role in coordinating a community-wide approach to providing services to youth in an effort to reduce youth crime and violence and provide better quality of life to youth in general; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario recently spent \$2 million on a study released this November on the root causes of youth violence in Ontario, the study of which provides many guidelines and recommendations the council committee intends to follow as we move forward; and

Whereas in order to clearly understand the Municipal Performance Measurement Program results, the Council Committee on Youth Crime and Violence has requested the professional assistance of the GIS Division of the Innovation Centre to compile and map three years worth of relevant data, as well as to solicit assistance from their many established contacts in the Social Services sector in terms of providing input on the mapped results;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council authorize the disbursement of \$29,750.00 (\$25,000.00 from 2008 fund – remainder from 2009 fund) to the GIS Division of the Innovation Centre to fulfill the obligation identified within their proposal with funds to come from the Community Development Fund established by City Council. CARRIED.

Recorded Vote

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

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

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

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

- (a) Moved by Councillor S. Myers
Seconded by Councillor T. Sheehan
Whereas due to a near miss employee safety incident last week; and
Whereas due to this incident Canada Post has ceased door to door mail delivery to 22 residents on the south side of Queen Street between Lake Street and Shannon Road;
Therefore be it resolved that the CAO and appropriate Public Works staff meet with Canada Post to seek possible solutions to restore winter door delivery service to those residents and report back to Council on this matter. CARRIED.
- (b) Moved by Councillor S. Butland
Seconded by Councillor B. Hayes
Whereas circumstances appear to indicate that the Sault Area Hospital is at a critical stage as it pertains to staffing, services, programs and financing; and
Whereas operations at the present facility must necessarily be formulated to effect a smooth transition to the new hospital; and
Whereas the public is generally unaware of these difficulties and should be mindful of potential consequences; and
Whereas the citizens of Sault Ste. Marie as well as the Corporation have been major contributors to the new facility;
Be it resolved that David Oraziotti, M.P.P. be requested to convene a joint meeting of the Sault Area Hospital Board and City Council as well as the Northeastern LHIN to discuss the present situation as well as to how we could proceed cooperatively for our mutual benefit and for the residents of Sault Ste. Marie. CARRIED.
- (c) Moved by Councillor L. Tridico
Seconded by Councillor F. Fata
Whereas there has been considerable interest in using a portion of the hub trail, specifically the asphalt section of the boardwalk from residents and tourists;
Therefore be it resolved that City Council request the Public Works and Transportation Department begin snowplowing the portion of the hub trail in an effort of ensuring quality of life for those wishing to utilize our waterfront year round (from 49 St. Mary's River Drive to Holiday Inn driveway). OFFICIALLY READ NOT DEALT WITH. (RULED AS A RECONSIDERATION BY MAYOR ROWSWELL.)

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 O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that all the by-laws listed under Item 10 of the Agenda under date 2008 12 15 be approved. CARRIED.

(a) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that By-law 2008-210 being a by-law to stop up, close and authorize the conveyance of a portion of Paradise Avenue and Peach Drive road allowance being parts 16, 17, 57 and 58 Plan 1R11522 be read a third time and passed in Open Council this 15th day of December, 2008. CARRIED.

(b) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that By-law 2008-214 being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of \$10,000,000.00 to meet current expenditures until taxes are collected be read three times and passed in Open Council this 15th day of December, 2008. CARRIED.

(c) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that By-law 2008-222 being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of \$10,000,000.00 to finance capital expenditures for short and long-term purposes for The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie and \$2,500,000.00 for the Public Utilities Commission of the City of Sault Ste. Marie be read three times and passed in Open Council this 15th day of December, 2008. CARRIED.

(d) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that By-law 2008-223 being a by-law to amend Schedule "A" of Traffic By-law 77-200 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 15th day of December, 2008. CARRIED.

(e) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti

Seconded by Councillor S. Butland

Resolved that By-law 2008-225 being a by-law to authorize the charging of fees for services and activities provided by the Police Services Board and to amend Schedule "A" to By-law 2002-28 be read three times and passed in Open Council this 15th day of December, 2008. CARRIED.

10. (e) Councillor L. Turco declared a pecuniary interest – spouse employed by Police Services.

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

- (a) Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor J. Caicco
Resolved that Council shall now go into Caucus for the purpose of:
1. considering one matter concerning identifiable individuals - 2009 Appointments to Boards and Committees; and
Further resolved that Council shall go into Caucus on 2008 12 16 for the purpose of:
1. considering one matter concerning Performance Appraisal/Corporate KRA's; and
Further be it resolved that should the said Caucus meetings be adjourned, Council may reconvene in Caucus to continue to discuss the same matters without the need for a further authorizing resolution. CARRIED.

Mayor J. Rowswell and Councillor L. Turco each declared a pecuniary interest concerning identifiable individuals at the 2008 12 15 Council Caucus Meeting.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor O. Grandinetti
Seconded by Councillor S. Butland
Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn. CARRIED.

"John Rowswell"

MAYOR

"Donna P. Irving"

CLERK