



REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 7, 2014

4:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

Present: Mayor D. Amaroso, Councillor L. Turco, Councillor S. Butland, Councillor S. Myers, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor J. Krmpotich, Councillor B. Watkins, Councillor R. Niro, Councillor P. Christian, Councillor F. Fata, Councillor P. Mick, Councillor T. Sheehan

Absent: Councillor F. Manzo

Officials: M. White, N. Kenny, L. Girardi, B. Freiburger, J. Dolcetti, N. Apostle, J. Bruzas, M. Zuppa

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2014 03 24 be approved.

Carried

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

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3.1. Councillor L. Turco – Parking on Roadways During Winter Months

Spouse employed by Police Services

3.2. Councillor L. Turco – Crime Prevention/Community Safety

Spouse employed by Police Services

3.3. Councillor R. Niro – By-law 2014-69 – Official Plan Amendment – 1044 Great Northern Road

Daughter employed in design work for property owner.

3.4. Councillor R. Niro – By-law 2014-70 – Zoning – 1044 Great Northern Road

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4. APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that the Agenda and the Addendum for 2014 04 07 City Council Meeting as presented be approved.

Carried

5. PROCLAMATIONS/DELEGATIONS

5.1. Parkinson's Awareness Month

Janice Pettalia and Evelyn Horner were in attendance representing the Parkinson's Support Group.

5.2. Red Cross – Rescuer Awards

Diane Lajambe, District Branch Manager, Sault Ste. Marie and District Canadian Red Cross was in attendance.

5.3. Asset Management Study

Amy Heppler, P. Eng., Morrison Hershfield Limited was in attendance.

5.4. Crime Prevention/Community Safety

Councillor L. Turco declared a conflict on this item. (Spouse employed by Police Services)

6. COMMUNICATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2014 04 07 – Part One – Consent Agenda and the Addendum, save and except item 6.11 be approved as recommended.

Carried

6.1. Correspondence

AMO – Bill 69, The Prompt Payment Act Put Aside

6.2. Street Closing – "Passport To Unity"

The letter of request for a temporary street closing in conjunction with "Passport to Unity" was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2014-73 is listed under item 11 of the Minutes.

6.3. Liquor License Extension Request

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that City Council has no objection to the proposed extended licensed area as detailed in the written request for a liquor license extension on private property for an outdoor event on the following date and time:

Docks Riverfront Grill

89 Foster Drive

- July 1 – Canada Day – 12 noon to 2:00 a.m.
- July 2 – 12 noon to 2:00 a.m.
- July 3 – 12 noon to 2:00 a.m.
- July 4 – Independence Day – 12 noon to 2:00 a.m.

Carried

6.4. Council Travel

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that Mayor Amaroso be authorized to travel to:

- NOLUM Meetings with Minister Gravelle (MNDM) – held in Thunder Bay (2 days in April) at a cost of \$650;
- The Gold Standard Event – invitation to speak by Tourism Sault Ste. Marie – held in Toronto (2 days in May) at no cost to the City;

- Seniors Summit – as a speaker – held in Peterborough (3 days in May) at no cost to the City;
- Influential Women Awards Luncheon – held in Sudbury (2 days in June) at a cost of \$500.

Carried

6.5. Tender for Selected Granular Materials

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

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the Report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2014 04 07 be endorsed and that the tender for the supply of Selected Granular Materials, as required by the City Corporation, be awarded as recommended.

Carried

6.6. Asset Management Plan

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

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that the the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2014 04 07 concerning Asset Management Plan be received as information.

Carried

6.7. Revised Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act (PSSDA)

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

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2014 04 07 concerning revised Public Sector Salary Disclosure for 2013 be received as information.

Carried

6.8. 2014 Application for Financial Assistance – Scouts Canada

The report of the Manager of Audits and Capital Planning was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Audits and Capital Planning dated 2014 04 07 concerning a 2014 application for financial assistance for Scouts Canada be received and the recommendation that the request be denied based on the application not meeting the eligibility criteria of the Financial Assistance Policy for Sustaining and Other Grants, be approved.

Carried

6.9. 2014 Application for Financial Assistance – Pauline's Place Non-Profit Homes Inc.

The report of the Manager of Audits and Capital Planning was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Audits and Capital Planning dated 2014 04 07 concerning a 2014 application for financial assistance for Pauline's Place Non-Profit Homes Inc. be received and the recommendation that the request be denied based on the application not meeting the eligibility criteria of the Financial Assistance Policy for Sustaining and Other Grants, and with funding already being provided through the DSSAB levy, be approved.

Carried

6.10. 2014 Municipal Election – MPAC Voter Lookup

The report of the City Clerk was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the City Clerk dated 2014 04 07 concerning 2014 Municipal Election – MPAC Voter Lookup be received as information.

Carried

6.11. Pumptrack at Esposito Park

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

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Community Services dated 2014 04 07 concerning Pumptrack at Esposito Park Update be received as information.

Carried

a. Motion

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor L. Turco

Whereas Council has authorized moving forward with the Bicycle Pump Track at Esposito Park; and

Whereas the preliminary design estimate for the Pump Track by the consultant is \$250,000 including a contingency amount; and

Whereas Council has committed a financial contribution of \$50,000 towards its construction; and

Whereas the group has raised \$75,000 towards the proposed hard surfaced Pump Track; and

Whereas the Pump Track is referred to in the City's Corporate Strategic Plan under "Strategic Direction 3, Enhancing Quality of Life";

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the remaining cost of \$125,000 for the Pump Track be referred to budget deliberations to consider funding this amount from the City's 5% Subdivider Reserve Fund; and

Further Be It Resolved that the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer provide Council with an update of the said Reserve Fund including projects to be funded and its present balance available.

Referred

6.12. Parking on Roadways During Winter Months

Councillor L. Turco declared a conflict on this item. (Spouse employed by Police Services)

The report of the Solicitor/Prosecutor was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the Solicitor/Prosecutor dated 2014 04 07 concerning Parking on Roadways During Winter Months be accepted and further that the Police Services be requested to enforce Section 8 of Traffic By-law 77-200 if vehicles are parked on the City roadways at night in a way that interferes with snow clearing activities.

Carried

6.13. 184 Queensgate Boulevard – Ontario Municipal Board

The report of the City Solicitor was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Resolved that the report of the City Solicitor dated 2014 04 07 concerning 184 Queensgate Boulevard – Ontario Municipal Board be received as information.

Carried

7. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

7.1. ADMINISTRATION

7.2. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

7.3. ENGINEERING

7.4. FIRE

7.5. LEGAL

7.6. PLANNING

7.7. PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION

7.8. BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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

8.1. East End Residents – Brown Water Occurrence March 1-2

Moved by: Councillor S. Butland

Seconded by: Councillor P. Christian

Whereas east end residents have experienced brown water events on numerous occasions over a two year period with multiple reasons for these occurrences (introduction of free chlorine, unidirectional flushing, Lorna St. well start up, watermain break, hydrant flushing, construction, after power outages, illegal use of a fire hydrant, a fire hydrant blow out, etc.); and

Whereas the communications to residents as to the latest brown water event (March 1-2) was again less than satisfactory; and

Whereas these events have become much more than an inconvenience (continuous flushing, stains to sinks and toilets, soiled clothing, necessity to purchase bottled water);

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council request of PUC Services to consider a tangible gesture of goodwill to these aggrieved and many angry residents in the form of a rebate, reimbursement, compensation for the ongoing inconvenience.

Amended

Moved by: Councillor S. Butland

Seconded by: Councillor P. Christian

Resolved that agenda item 8.1 be amended by deleting the following words 'to those aggrieved and many angry residents in the form of a rebate, reimbursement, compensation'

Carried

Moved by: Councillor S. Butland

Seconded by: Councillor P. Christian

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Whereas the communications to residents as to the latest brown water event (March 1-2) was again less than satisfactory; and

Whereas these events have become much more than an inconvenience (continuous flushing, stains to sinks and toilets, soiled clothing, necessity to purchase bottled water);

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council request of PUC Services to consider a tangible gesture of goodwill for the ongoing inconvenience.

Carried

8.2. Crime Prevention/Community Safety

Councillor L. Turco declared a conflict on this item. (Spouse employed by Police Services)

Moved by: Councillor P. Mick

Seconded by: Councillor B. Watkins

Whereas the City of Sault Ste. Marie recognizes that community safety and wellbeing is critical to the quality of life expected (and deserved) by its residents, businesses and visitors; and

Whereas crime prevention is a significant element of community safety, and is the responsibility of the entire community; and

Whereas a successful crime prevention program requires sustained investment, a strong commitment and widespread engagement across all sectors and by all levels of government; and

Whereas City Council supports agencies and organizations that focus on identifying risks and threats to community safety; and

Whereas City Council recognizes that social development can be a cost-effective path to crime prevention and community safety;

Now Therefore Be it Resolved that City Council commits to capitalizing and building on municipal expertise, embracing innovations in policing and social services with the goal of socially inclusive community development, and supports partnerships that promote the improvement of community safety and crime prevention.

Carried

9. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUCH MATTERS AS ARE REFERRED TO IT BY THE COUNCIL BY RESOLUTION

10. ADOPTION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

11. CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY- LAWS

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that all by-laws under item 11 of the Agenda under date 2014 04 07, save and except 2014-69 and 2014-70, be approved.

Carried

11.1. By-laws before Council TO BE PASSED which do not require more than a simple majority

c. By-law 2014-73 – Temporary Street Closing – Passport to Unity Event

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that By-law 2014-73 being a by-law to permit the temporary closing of Queen Street East from Spring Street to March Street to facilitate the Passport to Unity Event be passed in open Council this 7th day of April, 2014.

Carried

a. By-law 2014-69 – Official Plan Amendment – 1044 Great Northern Road

Councillor R. Niro declared a conflict on this item. (Daughter employed in design work for property owner.)

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that By-law 2014-69 being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 198 to the Official Plan for the City of Sault Ste. Marie (Guy's Auto Body) be passed in open Council this 7th day of April, 2014.

Carried

b. By-law 2014-70 – Zoning – 1044 Great Northern Road

Councillor R. Niro declared a conflict on this item. (Daughter employed in design work for property owner.)

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that By-law 2014-70 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-laws 2005-150 and 2005-151 concerning lands located at 1044 Great Northern Road (Guy's Auto Body) be passed in open Council this 7th day of April, 2014.

Carried

11.2. By-laws before Council for FIRST and SECOND reading which do not require more than a simple majority

11.3. By-laws before Council for THIRD reading which do not require more than a simple majority

a. By-law 2014-4 – Streets – Fairview Avenue

Moved by: Councillor R. Niro

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that By-law 2014-4 being a by-law to rename Fairview Avenue east of Peoples Road, and a portion of Sherwood Parkway to St. Patrick Street be read the third time and finally passed in open Council this 7th day of April, 2014.

Carried

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

13. CLOSED SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor L. Turco

Seconded by: Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that this Council now adjourn.

Carried

Mayor

City Clerk