



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

Monday, February 22, 2016

4:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

Civic Centre

Present: Mayor C. Provenzano, Councillor S. Butland, Councillor P. Christian, Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor J. Hupponen, Councillor L. Turco, Councillor R. Niro, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor F. Fata, Councillor J. Krmpotich, Councillor R. Romano

Absent: Councillor S. Myers, Councillor M. Shoemaker

Officials: A. Horsman, R. Tyczinski, L. Girardi, S. Schell, P. Niro, J. Dolcetti, M. Nadeau, M. Figliola, S. Hamilton Beach, M. Borowicz-Sibenik, D. McConnell, V. McLeod, F. Coccimiglio, T. Dodds

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### **1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2016 02 08 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 R. Niro – Administration of the Retiree Death Benefit**

Brother is employed by Sault Ste. Marie Fire Services

**3.2 Councillor L. Turco – Administration of the Retiree Death Benefit**

Spouse is employed by Sault Ste. Marie Police Service

**3.3 Councillor J. Krmpotich – Retention of Restructuring Lawyer**

Employed by Essar Steel Algoma Inc.

**3.4 Councillor R. Romano – Property Tax Appeals**

One of the applicants is a client

**4. APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the Agenda for 2016 02 22 City Council Meeting as presented be approved.

**Carried**

**5. PROCLAMATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

**5.1 2015 Heritage Award Presentation**

Mayor Provenzano and L. Beilhartz, Chair, Municipal Heritage Committee presented the 2015 Heritage Award to Cindy Parniak, 1164 Queen Street East.

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2016 02 22 – Part One – Consent Agenda save and except Agenda item 6.4 be approved as recommended.

**Carried**

**6.1 2016 Budget Deliberation**

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated 2016 02 22 concerning 2016 Budget Deliberations be received and that the staff recommendation of Option 1 be approved.

**Carried**

## **6.2 Retention of Restructuring Lawyer**

Councillor J. Krmpotich declared a conflict on this item. (Employed by Essar Steel Algoma Inc.)

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the joint report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer and Acting City Solicitor dated February 22, 2016 regarding the approval of a \$175,000 upset limit for the services of a restructuring lawyer to represent the City's interest in the CCAA protection proceedings of Essar Steel Algoma be approved and that these services be funded from the Contingency Reserve.

**Carried**

## **6.3 Property Tax Appeals**

Councillor R. Romano declared a conflict on this item. (One of the applicants is a client)

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the City Tax Collector dated 2016 02 22 concerning Property Tax Appeals be received and the recommendation that the tax records be amended pursuant to Section 357 of the Municipal Act be approved.

**Carried**

## **6.5 Request for Financial Assistance for National/International Sports Competitions-Kieran Desjardins-Speed Skating**

The report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture dated 2016 02 22 concerning Request for Financial Assistance for National/International Sports Competitions – Kieran Desjardins – Speed Skating be received and that Council approve a \$200 financial assistance grant for participation at the Canadian Age Class Long Track Speed Skating Championships, February 6 & 7, 2016 in Quebec City be approved.

**Carried**

**6.6 RFP for Sensory Play Equipment (2016CSD-PK-01-P)**

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated 2016 02 22 be received and that the proposal submitted by A.B.C. Recreation Ltd. to supply and deliver Sensory Play Equipment, as required by the Recreation & Culture Division of the Community Services Department, be approved.

**Carried**

**6.7 Request for Financial Assistance for National/International Sports Competitions- Richard MacLennan-Speed Skating**

The report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture dated 2016 02 22 concerning Request for Financial Assistance for National/International Sports Competitions – Richard MacLennan – Speed Skating be received and that Council approve a \$200 financial assistance grant for participation at the International Skating Union's World Cup Championships to be held from January 29 to January 31, 2016 in Stavanger, Norway be approved.

**Carried**

**6.8 West End Sewage Treatment Plant – Phase 1 Upgrades Request for Proposal**

The report of the Land Development and Environmental Engineer was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Land Development and Environmental Engineer dated 2016 02 22 concerning the West End Sewage Treatment Plant Phase 1 Upgrades be received and that issuance of a Request for Proposal for consulting services be approved.

**Carried**

**6.9 Queen Street Tree Replacement Strategy**

The report of the Planning Division was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2016 02 22 concerning a Queen Street tree replacement strategy be received and that Council refer the recommendation to replace all the trees on Queen Street (\$2 million) and the installation of pedestrian scale lights (\$1.2 million) to the 2016 budget deliberations.

**Carried**

#### **6.10 Gateway Signature Park – Preliminary Steps**

The report of the Planning Division was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2016 02 22 concerning the preliminary steps required to investigate the redevelopment of the easterly section of the Gateway site for the purposes of a signature park be received and that Council refer the recommendation to conduct a Phase One and Phase Two environmental assessment, as well as an overall park design, at an estimated cost of \$150,000, to the 2016 budget deliberations.

**Carried**

#### **6.11 Downtown Community Improvement Plan – Financial Incentive Applications**

The report of the Planning Division was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the Planning Division dated 2016 02 22 concerning the Downtown Community Improvement Plan Financial Incentive applications be received and the grant applications listed in this report be approved.

**Carried**

#### **6.12 Household Special Waste ('HSW') Facility – Relocation to the Landfill Site**

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2015 02 22 concerning Household Special Waste Facility – Relocation to the Landfill Site be received and that Council approve the relocation of the Household Special Waste

Facility to the former Elementa building and furthermore that the capital costs of \$180,000 be referred and considered in the 2016 budget deliberations.

**Carried**

#### **6.13 Landfill Operations – Effects of Free Week**

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2016 02 22 concerning Landfill Operations – Effects of Free Week be received and that Council approve discontinuing the practice of free week; and furthermore that Council refer the \$5,000 advertising budget request for organizations that encourage the 3R's (reduce, reuse and recycle) in the 2016 budget deliberations.

**Carried**

#### **6.14 PWT – Operations – Sidewalk Winter Maintenance Policy**

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

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation dated 2016 02 22 concerning PWT – Operations – Sidewalk Winter Maintenance Policy be received and that Option 2 be endorsed by Council; and further that Council direct staff to prepare a new policy based on the framework outlined in Option 2.

**Carried**

#### **6.15 Healthy Kids Community Challenge – Contract Amendment**

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

The relevant By-law 2016-29 is listed under item 11 of the Minutes.

#### **6.4 Administration of the Retiree Death Benefit**

Councillor R. Niro declared a conflict on this item. (Brother is employed by Sault Ste. Marie Fire Services)

Councillor L. Turco declared a conflict on this item. (Spouse is employed by Sault Ste. Marie Police Service)

The report of the Commissioner of Human Resources was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Human Resources dated 2016 02 22 concerning Administration of the Retiree Death Benefit be received and the recommendation that staff begin the necessary steps required to discontinue the practice of issuing the "Retiree Death Benefit" be approved.

<b>Recorded</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>
Mayor C. Provenzano	X	
Councillor S. Butland	X	
Councillor P. Christian	X	
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X	
Councillor J. Hupponen	X	
Councillor M. Bruni	X	
Councillor F. Fata	X	
Councillor J. Krmpotich		X
Councillor R. Romano	X	
<b>Results</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Carried</b>		

For	Mayor C. Provenzano, Councillor S. Butland, Councillor P. Christian, Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor J. Hupponen, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor F. Fata, and Councillor R. Romano
Against	Councillor J. Krmpotich
Conflict	Councillor R. Niro and Councillor L. Turco
Absent	Councillor S. Myers and Councillor M. Shoemaker
<b>Carried</b>	

## **7. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

### **7.1 ADMINISTRATION**

#### **7.1.1 Council Board and Committee Appointments**

The report of the City Clerk was received by Council.

No member of Council was nominated for:

Cultural Advisory Board

Municipal Environmental Initiatives Committee (Green Committee)

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that the report of the City Clerk dated 2016 02 22 concerning Council Board and Committee Appointments be received as information.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that Councillor J. Hupponen be appointed as a member of the Algoma District Municipal Association from February 22, 2016 to December 31, 2016 with Councillor S. Hollingsworth as alternate.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that Councillor F. Fata be appointed as a member of the Dangerous Dog Committee from February 22, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor M. Bruni

Seconded by: Councillor F. Fata

Resolved that Councillor S. Hollingsworth be appointed to the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors from February 22, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that Councillor P. Christian be appointed as a member of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Head) from February 22, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

**Carried**

## **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 Notice of Motion – Economic Development Review Motion**

Moved by: Mayor C. Provenzano

Seconded by:

Whereas the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie (City) has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sault Ste. Marie Economic Development Corporation (SSMEDC) dated September 28, 2009 naming the EDC as the City's lead agency on economic development; and

Whereas the City provides annual funding to the SSMEDC in the approximate amount of \$1.7 million per annum; and

Whereas the City has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre (SSMIC) dated April 12, 2010 that identifies the mission of SSMIC as, "to drive business growth, facilitate research, and commercialize innovation in globally significant areas of science and technology"; and

Whereas the City provides annual funding to the SSMIC in the amount of \$277,890 per annum; and

Whereas the City allocates an additional \$500,000.00 per annum to the Economic Development Fund (EDF) for the purposes of supporting new job creation, tax assessment and economic development projects; and

Whereas the funds allocated to the SSMEDC, SSMIC and the EDF represents the majority of the City's investment in economic development; and

Whereas the City recognizes the importance of effective economic development and the need to diversify its economy and grow its assessment base; and

Whereas the City has a responsibility to ensure that it is making the most effective and efficient use of its economic development funds;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that City Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to undertake an assessment, either directly and/or with the assistance of an independent third party, of the City's economic development and provide a report to Council outlining the following:

1. Best practices and models for effective economic development;
2. How the City's economic development model compares to best practices; and
3. Recommendations on what the City could and/or should be doing to ensure that its economic development efforts are producing the best results.

**8.2 Notice of Motion – Committee to Review Winter Maintenance, Parks Maintenance and Waste Collection**

Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker

Seconded by:

Whereas the 2016 proposed budget for the Public Works Department contains cost increases for the Winter Maintenance, Parks Maintenance and Waste Collection divisions; and

Whereas in the last three years, the costs for Winter Maintenance, Parks Maintenance and Waste Collection have increased more than \$1 million; and

Whereas in 2015 the budgets for Winter Maintenance, Parks Maintenance and Waste Collection represented a total cost to City taxpayers of over \$11 million; and

Whereas the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie must determine how to most effectively deliver services; and

Whereas the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie is committed to finding cost savings in the delivery of services in order to maintain a level of service that residents deem appropriate; and

Whereas it is essential for the City of Sault Ste. Marie to be a leader in the delivery of services in Ontario;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie strike a committee consisting of three councillors, being Councillor Shoemaker, Councillor \_\_\_\_\_, and Councillor \_\_\_\_\_, with appropriate staff acting as resources to the committee, to:

1. Review the existing cost of delivering Winter Maintenance, Parks Maintenance and Waste Collection services and how, if at all, costs can be reduced while maintaining the same or a similar level of service;
2. Provide information to any service provider who requests information regarding winter maintenance, parks maintenance and waste collection in order for providers to estimate the costs of delivering the same level service as is currently provided;
3. Ensure that Sault Ste. Marie taxpayer dollars are being maximized by making the City a leader in the delivery of municipal services.

**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 S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that all By-laws under item 11 of the Agenda under date 2016 02 22 be approved.

**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**

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

**11.1.1 By-law 2016-23 (Finance) Amend By-law 2016-3 (User Fees)**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that By-law 2016-23 being a by-law to amend By-law 2016-3 (User Fees and Service Charges by-law) be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2016.

**Carried**

**11.1.2 By-law 2016-24 (Council Procedure) Amend By-law 2014-250 Acting Mayor Rotation**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that By-law 2016-24 being a by-law to amend By-law 2014-250 being a by-law to adopt the rotation list for Acting Mayor for the current Council session be passed in open Council this 22nd of February, 2016.

**Carried**

**11.1.3 By-law 2016-25 (Street Assumption) Various**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that By-law 2016-25 being a by-law to assume for public use and establish as public streets various parcels of land conveyed to the City be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2016.

**Carried**

**11.1.4 By-law 2016-28 (Zoning) 57 Market Street (Chilelli)**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that By-law 2016-28 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-laws 2005-150 and 2005-151 concerning lands at 57 Market Street (Chilelli) be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2016.

**Carried**

**11.1.5 By-law 2016-29 (Agreement) Ontario Healthy Kids Community Challenge**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that By-law 2016-29 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an Amending Services Agreement between the City and The Board of Health for the District of Algoma Health Unit operating as Algoma Public Health regarding the Ontario Healthy Kids Community Project be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2016.

**Carried**

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

**13. CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that this Council proceed into closed session to one item concerning collective bargaining;

Further be it resolved that should the said closed session be adjourned, the Committee may reconvene in closed session to continue to discuss the same matter without the need for a further authorizing resolution.

*(Labour relations or employee relations – section 239(2)(d))*

**Carried**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that this Council now adjourn.

**Carried**

Christian Provenzano

Mayor

Malcolm White

City Clerk