



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 3, 2023, 9:49 p.m.

S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium

Present:

- Mayor Ken Boshcoff
- Councillor Rajni Agarwal
- Councillor Mark Bentz
- Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
- Councillor Kasey Etrene
- Councillor Andrew Foulds
- Councillor Trevor Giertuga
- Councillor Brian Hamilton
- Councillor Greg Johnsen
- Councillor Kristen Oliver
- Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
- Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials:

- Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
- Norm Gale, City Manager
- Patty Robinet, City Solicitor
- Emma Westover, Acting General Manager - Corporate Services & Long-Term Care, Treasurer
- Kerri Marshall, General Manager - Infrastructure & Operations
- Kelly Robertson, General Manager - Community Services
- Karie Ortgiese, Director - Human Resources & Corporate Safety
- Joel Depeuter, Acting General Manager – Development & Emergency Services
- Gordon Stover, Committee & Meeting Management System Coordinator

1. City Council

Chair: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

2. Opening Ceremonies

One Minute of Silence.

3. Disclosures of Interest

Aside from those disclosures already recorded in the previous minutes as presented here, no additional disclosures of interest were announced.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

WITH RESPECT to the April 3, 2023 City Council, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

5.1 City Council

The Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on March 27, 2023 were distributed separately on Thursday, March 30, 2023.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT the Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council meeting held on March 27, 2023.

CARRIED

6. Reports of Committees, Boards, and Outside Agencies

6.1 Committee of the Whole Minutes

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. March 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole were distributed separately on Thursday, March 30, 2023.

Correspondence was received from Carol Grieve, Thunder Bay Public Library Board Chairperson on Friday, March 31, 2023 requesting that Council reconsider the recommendation relative to the Thunder Bay Public Library Board Composition as contained in the March 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole Minutes.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

THAT the Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:

1. March 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole.

6.2 Amended – Thunder Bay Public Library – Request to Amend Board Composition

A re-vote was requested relative to the above noted amendment as contained in the March 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole minutes.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated March 15, 2023, we recommend that the composition of the Thunder Bay Public Library Board include one (1) representative from the Lakehead Public Schools and one (1) representative from the Thunder Bay District Catholic School Board;

AND THAT one (1) additional member of City Council be added;

AND THAT the total composition of the Library Board remain at ten (10) members appointed by City Council;

AND THAT the amendment to By-law 182-1985 and any necessary Chapters of the Municipal Code to be repealed be presented to City Council for ratification on April 24, 2023.

Amendment - Paragraph 1 - Thunder Bay Public Library - Request to Amend Board Composition

A re-vote was requested on paragraph 1.

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated March 15, 2023, we recommend that the composition of the Thunder Bay Public Library Board include one (1) representative from the Lakehead Public Schools and one (1) representative from the Thunder Bay District Catholic School Board;

LOST

Amended – Thunder Bay Public Library – Board Composition

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated March 15, 2023, we recommend that one (1) additional member of City Council be added;

AND THAT the total composition of the Library Board remain at ten (10) members appointed by City Council;

AND THAT the amendment to By-law 182-1985 and any necessary Chapters of the Municipal Code to be repealed be presented to City Council for ratification on April 24, 2023.

Amendment 1 – Amended - Thunder Bay Public Library – Board Composition

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the motion relative to Thunder Bay Public Library - Request to Amend Board Composition, we recommend that the following paragraph be added after paragraph 1:

AND THAT the two (2) vacant positions established by the removal of the two (2) school board representatives be replaced with two (2) citizen representatives;

Amendment to Amendment 1 – Amended - Thunder Bay Public Library – Board Composition

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni
SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

WITH RESPECT to the motion relative to Thunder Bay Public Library - Request to Amend Board Composition, we recommend paragraph 2 be amended to one (1) citizen representative

AND THAT paragraph 3 be amended to confirm the total composition of the Library Board be nine (9) members appointed by City Council.

CARRIED

Amended - Thunder Bay Public Library – Final Board Composition

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated March 15, 2023, we recommend that one (1) additional member of City Council be added;

AND THAT one (1) additional citizen representative be added;

AND THAT the total composition of the Library Board be changed to nine (9) members appointed by City Council;

AND THAT the amendment to By-law 182-1985 and any necessary Chapters of the Municipal Code to be repealed be presented to City Council for ratification on April 24, 2023.

CARRIED

6.3 Referral - Work Life Initiatives Policy Update (Work from Home Program)

It was requested that the above noted referral as contained in the March 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole minutes be voted on separately.

MOVED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

WITH RESPECT to Report 113-2023-City Manager's Office-Human Resources & Corporate Safety, we recommend that the report be referred to Administration to provide more information relating to liabilities and risk for employees working from home, including processes for addressing workplace injuries and violence in the workplace;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before June 26, 2023.

Amendment – Referral - Work Life Initiatives Policy Update (Work from Home Program)

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz

THAT the referral motion be amended to include the following after the first paragraph:

"AND THAT the report coincide with the WSIB (corporate safety) report scheduled for April 24, 2023;

AND THAT the report include the cities that have chosen not implement a work from home program."

LOST

Referral - Work Life Initiatives Policy Update (Work from Home Program)

MOVED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

WITH RESPECT to Report 113-2023-City Manager's Office-Human Resources & Corporate Safety, we recommend that the report be referred

to Administration to provide more information relating to liabilities and risk for employees working from home, including processes for addressing workplace injuries and violence in the workplace;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before June 26, 2023.

LOST

6.4 Work Life Initiatives Policy Update (Work from Home Program)

It was requested that the above noted resolution as contained in the March 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole minutes be re-voted on separately.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etrene

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to Report 113-2023-City Manager's Office-Human Resources & Corporate Safety, we recommend that the amended Corporate Policy 06-01-36 Work Life Initiatives, appended to this report, be approved;

AND THAT Outstanding Item 2021-104-ADM Work Life Initiatives - Policy (Work from Home) be removed from the Outstanding List;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

7. Ratifying Resolution

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolutions previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the following required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

MOVED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT the following ratifying resolutions be introduced, read, dealt with individually:

1. Report 112-2023 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) Contract 7, 2023 – Northcore Streetscape Renewal – Court Street/Red River Road.

2. Committee & Board Appointments

CARRIED

8. By-laws and By-law Resolution

8.1 By-Law 116-2023 – Appointment of Persons to Enforce Parking

A By-law to amend By-law Number 99-2005, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay for the enforcement of Municipal Parking By-laws.

8.2 By-law Resolution

By-law Resolution - April 3, 2023 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

THAT the following By-laws be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

By-law Number: BL 116-2023

1. A By-law to amend By-law Number 99-2005, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay for the enforcement of Municipal Parking By-laws.

CARRIED

9. Confirming By-law and Confirming By-law Resolution

9.1 By-law 108-2023 – Confirming By-law – April 3, 2023

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 3rd day of April 2023.

9.2 Confirming By-law Resolution

Confirming By-law Resolution - April 3, 2023 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

By-law Number: BL 108-2023

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 3rd day of April, 2023.

CARRIED

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:49 p.m.

Mayor

Deputy City Clerk