



Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, March 17, 2026, 4:31 p.m.
McNaughton Room - 3rd Floor, City Hall**

Present: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
Councillor Rajni Agarwal
Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
Councillor Kasey Etreni
Councillor Brian Hamilton
Councillor Greg Johnsen
Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Krista Power, Director - Legislative Services & City Clerk
John Collin, City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor

1. Special Committee of the Whole - Open Session

1.1 Establishment of Special Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

At the March 3, 2026 City Council meeting, the following resolution was presented to establish the March 17, 2026 Committee of the Whole - Closed Session Meeting:

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen
SECONDED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

THAT a Special Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. in order to receive information pursuant to the Municipal Act (Section 239 (2)) relative to:

- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;

- (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and
- (j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; and
- (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

1.2 Amendment - Establishment of Special Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

The following resolution is presented to amend the purpose of the March 17, 2026 Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting:

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

WITH RESPECT to the resolution to establish the Tuesday March 17, 2026 Committee of the Whole – Closed Session, we recommend that the following reasons be added:

- (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- (h) Information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them; and
- (i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.

CARRIED

1.3 Amended - Establishment of Special Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen
SECONDED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

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- (h) Information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them;
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- (j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; and
- (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

2. Committee of the Whole - Closed Session in the McNaughton Room at 4:33 p.m.

Present:

- Mayor Ken Boshcoff
- Councillor Rajni Agarwal
- Councillor Albert Aiello
- Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
- Councillor Kasey Etrene
- Councillor Brian Hamilton
- Councillor Greg Johnsen
- Councillor Kristen Oliver
- Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
- Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials:

- Krista Power, Director - Legislative Services & City Clerk
- John Collin, City Manager
- Patty Robinet, City Solicitor

3. Disclosures of Interest

4. Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to the March 17, 2026 Special Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including one item of new business, be confirmed;

AND THAT the order of the agenda be altered to add New Business as Item 4 and move Board Appointment to Item 5.

CARRIED

5. Reports of Municipal Officers

5.1 Contract Related Matter - Contribution Agreement

Commissioner-Community Services Kelly Robertson and Commissioner- Keri Greaves entered the meeting room.

Report 2026CLS.006 (Community Services) was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and Commissioner- Corporate Services & City Treasurer only on Friday, March 13, 2026.

Commissioner-Community Services Kelly Robertson provided an overview and responded to questions.

City Manager John Collin responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee to proceed as directed.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution will be presented to City Council to be held later in the evening.

Kelly Robertson left the meeting room.

5.2 Property Related Matter - Art Gallery Update

Director-Development Services Joel DePeuter, Director- Finance Andrea Morrison, Commissioner-Infrastructure & Operations Kayla Dixon, Deputy City Solicitor Cynthia Cline and Acting Commissioner-Growth Cynthia Olsen entered the meeting room.

Report 2026CLS.008 (Corporate Services/Growth) was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, Commissioner- Corporate Services & City Treasurer and Commissioner – Growth only on Friday, March 13, 2026.

Commissioner-Corporate Services and City Treasurer Keri Greaves provided an overview and responded to questions.

Joel DePeuter, Andrea Morrison and Deputy City Solicitor Cynthia Cline responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee to proceed as directed.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution will be presented to City Council to be held later in the evening.

Joel DePeuter and Andrea Morrison left the meeting room.

5.3 Property Tax Related Matter

Director-Revenue Kathleen Cannon and Commissioner-Community Services Kelly Robertson entered the meeting room.

Outside Counsel Allan McKittrick and Annie McKittrick entered the meeting room.

Report 2026CLS.009 (Legal Services/Corporate Services) was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and Commissioner- Corporate Services & City Treasurer only on Friday, March 13, 2026.

Commissioner - Corporate Services and City Treasurer Keri Greaves provided an overview.

Director - Revenue Kathleen Cannon provided an overview and responded to questions.

Allan McKitrick responded to questions.

City Manager John Collin, City Solicitor Patty Robinet and Keri Greaves responded to questions.

A motion recommending an alternate option relative to the property tax related matter was defeated.

Keri Greaves, Cynthia Cline, Kayla Dixon, Kathleen Cannon, Cynthia Olsen, Allan McKitrick and Annie McKitrick left the meeting room.

5.4 New Business - Legal Matter

Deputy City Solicitor Dawne Latta entered the meeting room.

Deputy City Solicitor Dawne Latta provided a verbal overview and responded to questions.

City Solicitor Patty Robinet provided information and responded to questions.

City Manager John Collin responded to questions.

Dawne Latta and Kelly Robertson left the meeting room.

5.5 Board Appointment - Tbaytel Board of Directors

Confidential Memorandum from Councillor Albert Aiello, Chair-Thunder Bay Recruitment Committee, dated March 11, 2026 was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only on Friday, March 13, 2026.

A referral motion recommending an alternate option relative to recruitment was defeated.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution will be presented at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.