



Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 5, 2023

Committee of the Whole – Open Special Session in the McNaughton Room at 4:34 p.m.

Present: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Kasey Etrene
Councillor Andrew Foulds
Councillor Trevor Giertuga
Councillor Greg Johnsen
Councillor Kristen Oliver
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Kelly Robertson, Acting City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor

1. Committee of the Whole - Open Special Session

Chair: Councillor Andrew Foulds

1.1 Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

At the May 15, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting the following resolution was passed to establish the Committee of the Whole - Closed Session for August 8, 2022.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etrene
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, June 5, 2023 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;
- (d) labour relations or employee negotiations;
- (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by on be half of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

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

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT the resolution relative to the Establishment of the Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting scheduled for Monday, June 5, 2023 passed at the Monday, May 15, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting, be amended to include the following reason:

- (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 Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, June 5, 2023 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;

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(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; and

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by on be half of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

Committee of the Whole – Closed Session in the McNaughton Room at 4:35 p.m.

Present: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
Councillor Rajni Agarwal
Councillor Albert Aiello
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
Kelly Robertson, Acting City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor

2. Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor Andrew Foulds

2.1 Disclosures of Interest

2.2 Reports of Municipal Officers

2.2.1 Council Appointments - Mayor

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated May 26, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

Tina Larocque, Coordinator – Boards, Committees, Special Projects entered the meeting room.

Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk provided an overview and responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

2.2.2 Committee & Board Appointments

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated May 23, 2023 relative to Thunder Bay Public Library was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated 15, 2023 relative to Tbaytel Board of Directors distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolutions relative to the above noted will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

2.2.3 Appointment to 2024 Ontario Winter Games Organizing Committee

Confidential Memorandum from Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor, dated May 31, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

Leah Prentice, Director - Recreation & Culture and Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor entered the meeting room.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

Tina Larocque, Coordinator – Boards, Committees, Special Projects entered the meeting room.

2.2.4 Contract Related Matter

Confidential Memorandum from Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor, dated May 31, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and General Manager – Community Services only.

Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor provided an overview and responded to questions.

Leah Prentice, Director - Recreation & Culture responded to questions.

Kelly Robertson, General Manager - Community Services responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

Leah Prentice, Director - Recreation & Culture and Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor left the meeting room.

2.2.5 Labour Relations Matter

Report 2023CLS.015 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, Acting General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care and Director – Human Resources & Corporate Safety and City Solicitor only.

Karie Ortgiese, Director - Human Resources & Corporate Safety, Erin Anderson, Manager - Labour Relations, Steve Harkness, Senior Labour Relations Consultant and Kerri Marshall, General Manager - Infrastructure & Operations entered the meeting room.

Erin Anderson provided an overview and responded to questions.

Karie Ortgiese responded to questions.

Kerri Marshall responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

Committee of the Whole – Open Session in the S. H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
Councillor Rajni Agarwal
Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Mark Bentz
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
Councillor Kasey Etrei
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
Kelly Robertson, Acting City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor
Karen Lewis, General Manager - Development & Emergency Services
Kerri Marshall, General Manager - Infrastructure & Operations
Emma Westover, Acting General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care, Treasurer
Cory Halvorsen, Manager – Parks & Open Spaces
Werner Schwar, Supervisor – Parks & Open Spaces
Leah Prentice, Director – Recreation & Culture
Gordon Stover, Committee & Meeting Management System Coordinator

3. Open Session - Operations

Chair: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

4. Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Kristen Oliver declared a conflict relative to Report 88/2023 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) Mayor's Mulligan Golf Tournament: PRO Kids Designation as her employer is a sponsor of the golf tournament.

5. Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the Monday, June 5, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

6. Presentations

6.1 Monthly Awards - Citizens of Exceptional Achievement Awards - June 5

Memorandum from Deputy City Clerk Dana Earle dated May 23, 2023 requesting that the Citizens of Outstanding Achievement Monthly Awards be presented to Sarah Jones for being awarded a Bronze medal at the Ontario High School Wrestling Championships. To the St. Patrick's High School Girls Curling Team for being awarded Gold medal at the 2023 OFSAA Curling Championships and to Matthew Belda-Wright for being awarded a Gold medal at the Ontario High School Wrestling Championships.

Anthony Foglia, Member - Official Recognition Advisory Committee appeared before Committee provided an overview of the recipient's accomplishments. Mayor Ken Boshcoff presented the students and coaches with the Citizens of Outstanding Achievement Awards.

7. Deputations

7.1 Thunder Bay Pickleball Club

Correspondence received from Tudor Nisioiu, President - Thunder Bay Pickleball Club, dated April 24, 2023 requesting to appear before Committee relative to examining the feasibility of a Pickleball Facility at Northwood Park.

Tudor Nisioiu, President - Thunder Bay Pickleball Club and Kasper Wabinski, Vice-President - Thunder Bay Pickleball Club appeared before Committee, provided a deputation and responded to questions.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

WITH RESPECT to the Deputation by the Thunder Bay Pickleball Club on June 5, 2023, we recommend that Administration review the feasibility of a introducing public and/or private pickleball facilities in the City, including but not limited to Northwood Playfield;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before December 4, 2023;

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

CARRIED

7.2 Rising 2SLGBTQIA+ Hate and Reaffirming Support in Pride Month

Correspondence received from Jason Veltri, President - Rainbow Collective of Thunder Bay on May 8, 2023 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted.

Jason Veltri, Donna Nagy, Treasurer - Rainbow Collective of Thunder Bay appeared before Committee joined by Jessy Bogacki, Vice-President of Inclusion - Rainbow Collective of Thunder Bay and Scotia-leigh Kauppi, Chair - Thunder Pride, both via MS Teams.

Jason Veltri, Scotia-leigh Kauppi and Jessy Bogacki provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

WITH RESPECT to the Deputation by Rainbow Collective on June 5, 2023, we recommend that requests 2-6 from the deputation be referred to Administration for review;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before December 18, 2023;

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

CARRIED

7.3 Year-end Variance and Reserve Fund Update - May 15, 2023

At the May 15, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting, Report 165-2023 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) was passed recommending approval of year end reserve fund transfers from the Winter Roads Reserve Fund, Insurance Reserve Fund, Stabilization Reserve Fund, WSIB Reserve Fund, and Legal Fees Reserve Fund, and contribution to the Building Permit Reserve Fund. The resolution is scheduled for ratification at the June 5, 2023 City Council Meeting.

Correspondence received from Andre Gagne on May 30, 2023 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, June 2, 2023.

Andre Gagne appeared before Committee, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

8. Items Arising from Closed Session

The following resolutions were previously presented in Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

8.1 Council Appointments

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated May 26, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etrene

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to the Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated May 26, 2023, we recommend that the City Manager and City Clerk begin the

recruitment process for a Member of Administration to be appointed to the Thunder Bay District Health Unit – Board of Health;

AND THAT Administration present their recommendation for appointment for Council's consideration upon completion of the recruitment process;

AND THAT the terms of reference for the Clean, Green & Beautiful Advisory Committee and the Waterfront Development Committee be amended to remove the position of Mayor (ex-officio) for the committees' composition;

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

CARRIED

8.2 Committee & Board Appointments - Thunder Bay Public Library Board

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated May 23, 2023 relative to Thunder Bay Public Library was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

WITH RESPECT to the confidential memorandum from Krista Power, City Clerk, dated May 23, 2023, we recommend that the following Member of Council be appointed to the Thunder Bay Public Library:

1. One member of council to serve for the remainder of a 4 year term expiring November 14, 2026, or as soon as a replacement has been appointed:

Councillor Trevor Giertuga

CARRIED

Amendment:

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etrene

WITH RESPECT to the confidential memorandum from Krista Power, City Clerk, dated May 23, 2023, we recommend that the following person be appointed to the Thunder Bay Public Library:

1. One (1) citizen to serve for the remainder of a 4 year term expiring November 14, 2026, or as soon as a replacement has been appointed:

George Saarinen

CARRIED

8.3 Committee & Board Appointments - Tbaytel Board of Directors

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated 15, 2023 relative to Tbaytel Board of Directors was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

WITH RESPECT to the recruitment of one individual to serve as Director on the Tbaytel Board of Directors, we recommend that the following be appointed:

Paul Fitzpatrick be appointed for a 3 year term, expiring June 30, 2026 or until such time as a replacement has been appointed.

CARRIED

8.4 Appointment to 2024 Ontario Winter Games Organizing Committee

Confidential Memorandum from Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor, dated May 31, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the Confidential Memorandum from Sport & Community Development Supervisor Paul Burke dated May 31, 2023, notwithstanding the Council and Citizen appointment process as outlined in Corporate Policy 08-01-01, we recommend that the following be appointed to the 2024 Ontario Winter Games Organizing Committee (Special Purpose Committee of Council):

1. Laurel Knowles, Sport Technical Chair
2. Robert (Bob) Edwards, Municipality of Shuniah Representative
3. John Cameron, CEDC Representative

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

CARRIED

8.5 Contract Related Matter

Confidential Memorandum from Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor, dated May 31, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and General Manager – Community Services only.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

WITH RESPECT to the Confidential Memorandum Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor, dated May 31, 2023 relative to the above noted, we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

8.6 Labour Relations Matter

Report 2023CLS.015 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and Director – Human Resources & Corporate Safety only.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

WITH RESPECT to Report 2023CLS.015 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety), we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

9. Petitions and Communications

9.1 Federal Freshwater Investments and the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative

Memorandum from Councillor Andrew Foulds, Chair - Earthcare Advisory Committee, dated May 18, 2023 containing a motion recommending that the City of Thunder Bay acknowledges the Government of Canada's commitment to investing in the Great Lakes.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

WITH RESPECT to the \$650 million in Federal Freshwater Funding commitments made in March 2023, the City of Thunder Bay acknowledges the Government of Canada's commitment to investing in the Great Lakes;

AND THAT the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative's advocacy supports EarthCare's work in achieving the City's environmental sustainability goals;

AND THAT the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative be referred to the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee of Council for further discussion and advocacy;

AND THAT the City of Thunder Bay continue to honour its commitment to participate in the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative;

AND THAT the City of Thunder Bay continue to seek our further funding opportunities to support strategic sustainability projects that will help the City address source water protection, stormwater management, and its climate change targets;

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

CARRIED

10. Outstanding Items

10.1 Outstanding List for Operations Session as of May 23, 2023

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated May 23, 2023 providing the Operations Session Outstanding Items List, for information.

11. Open Session - Community Services

Chair: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

12. Reports of Committees, Boards and Outside Agencies

12.1 The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board

Minutes of Meeting 08/2023 (Open) and 09/2023 (Closed) of The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board held on April 20, 2023, for information was distributed separately on Friday, June 2, 2023.

13. Reports of Municipal Officers

13.1 Sponsorship & Naming Rights Policy

Report 102-2023 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) recommending that the Sponsorship & Naming Rights Policy as attached be approved.

Councillor Kristen Oliver declared a conflict and refrained from discussing or voting on the following resolution.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

WITH RESPECT to Report 102-2023 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture), we recommend that the Sponsorship & Naming Rights Policy as attached be approved;

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

CARRIED

13.2 Algoma Child Care Centre – Enabling Accessibility Funding

Report 125-2023 (Community Services - Central Support) recommending approval to increase the 2023 Algoma Renovation Project capital budget by \$90,947 in order to reflect the full value of the funding awarded by the Employment and Social Development Canada through the Enabling Accessibility Fund.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

WITH RESPECT to Report 125-2023-Community Services-Central Support we recommend that Appropriation 2 be approved to increase the existing 2023 capital budget in order to record \$90,947 of grant funding awarded by Employment and Social Development Canada from the Enabling Accessibility Fund;

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

CARRIED

13.3 Mayors Mulligan Golf Tournament: PRO Kids Designation

Report 088-2023 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) recommending that PRO Kids be designated as the sole recipient of tournament proceeds from this point forward.

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to Report 088-2023-Community Services-Recreation & Culture, we recommend that PRO Kids be designated as the sole charitable recipient of the Mayor's Mulligan Golf Tournament henceforth;

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

CARRIED

14. Petitions and Communications

14.1 Community, Youth and Cultural Funding Appeals Committee – Evergreen A United Neighbourhood

Memorandum from Councillor Andrew Foulds, Chair – Community, Youth & Cultural Funding Appeals Committee, dated May 25, 2023 containing a motion recommending that \$10,000 in emergency funding be provided to Evergreen A United Neighbourhood for Council’s consideration.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Andrew Foulds, Chair - Community, Youth & Cultural Funding Program Appeals Committee, dated May 25, 2023, we recommend that \$10,000 in emergency funding be provided to Evergreen A United Neighbourhood for Council’s consideration;

AND THAT gap funding be subject to the conditions outlined in this memorandum;

AND THAT the \$10,000 be funded from the Community, Youth & Cultural Funding Program 2023 Operating Budget, and any resulting variance be reported in Q4 variance reporting;

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

CARRIED

15. Outstanding Items

15.1 Outstanding List for Community Services Session as of May 23, 2023

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated May 23, 2023 providing the Community Services Session Outstanding Items List, for information.

16. New Business

16.1 Resolution to Establish June 19, 2023 Closed Session Meeting

The following resolution was presented to Committee of the Whole, for consideration:

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, June 19, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in order to receive information pursuant to the Municipal Act (Section 239 (2)) relative to:

(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

CARRIED

17. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.