



Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

**Monday, September 11, 2023, 5:02 p.m.
McNaughton Room**

1. Open Special Session

Chair: Councillor Andrew Foulds

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 Greg Johnsen
Councillor Kristen Oliver
Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Norm Gale, City Manager
Cynthia Cline, Deputy City Solicitor

1.1 Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session Meeting

At the August 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting the following resolution was passed to establish a Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 4:30 pm:

Moved: Councillor Greg Johnsen

Seconded: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. in order to receive information pursuant to the Municipal Act relative to Section 239:

(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

(3.1) the purpose of educating or training the members relative to City Council orientation.

CARRIED

Amendment – Establishment of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT the resolution relative to the Establishment of the Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023 passed at the Monday, August 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting, be amended to change the start time to 5:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Amended – Establishment of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in order to receive information pursuant to the Municipal Act relative to Section 239:

(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

(3.1) the purpose of educating or training the members relative to City Council orientation.

CARRIED

2. Closed Session
McNaughton Room 5:03 p.m.

Chair: Councillor Andrew Foulds

Present: Mayor Ken Boshcoff
Councillor Rajni Agarwal
Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Mark Bentz
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
Councillor Kasey Etreni
Councillor Andrew Foulds
Councillor Trevor Giertuga
Councillor Greg Johnsen
Councillor Brian Hamilton
Councillor Kristen Oliver
Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Norm Gale, City Manager
Cynthia Cline, Deputy City Solicitor

2.1 Disclosures of Interest

None

2.2 Reports of Municipal Officers

2.2.1 Board Appointment - Thunder Bay Police Services Board

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated September 1, 2023 relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only.

Coordinator - Boards/Committees & Special Projects Tina Larocque entered the meeting room.

It was the consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

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 left the meeting room.

2.2.2 Accessibility Training

Municipal Accessibility Specialist Scott Garner to provide information relative to the above noted.

General Manager - Corporate Services Karen Lewis, City Treasurer Keri Greaves and Municipal Accessibility Specialist Scott Garner entered the meeting room.

Scott Garner provided a PowerPoint Presentation relative to the above noted and responded to questions.

Deputy City Clerk Dana Earle responded to questions.

City Manager Norm Gale responded to questions.

3. Open Session (Operations) S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium 6:34 p.m.

Chair: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

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
Norm Gale, City Manager
Cynthia Cline, Deputy City Solicitor

Kerri Marshall, General Manager - Infrastructure, Development & Operations
Karen Lewis, General Manager - Corporate Services
Kelly Robertson, General Manager - Community Services
Doug Glena, Manager - Fleet Services
Keri Greaves, City Treasurer
Cory Halvorsen, Manager – Parks & Open Spaces Section
Jason Sherband, Manager -Solid Waste and Recycling Services
Louisa Costanzo, Supervisor - Cultural Development & Events
Kelvin Jankowski, Supervisor – Construction Services
Aaron Ward, Project Engineer - Infrastructure & Operations
Flo-Ann Track, Council & Committee Clerk

4. Disclosures of Interest

None

5. Confirmation of Agenda

The Deputy City Clerk Dana Earle advised that Report 271-2023 Infrastructure, Development & Operations - Engineering & Operations has been withdrawn by Administration and will be re-presented at a future date.

Chair Councillor Trevor Giertuga advised that the Memorandum from Councillor Trevor Giertuga dated June 15, 2023 relative to Waterfront Trail Funding Commitment - Renew Thunder Bay has been withdrawn and will be re-presented at a future date.

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

WITH RESPECT to the September 11, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed as amended.

CARRIED

6. Presentations

6.1 Fall & Winter Events

Memorandum from Director, Recreation & Culture Leah Prentice dated August 29, 2023 requesting an opportunity to provide a presentation relative to the above noted.

Supervisor, Cultural Development & Events Louisa Costanzo appeared before Committee, provided a PowerPoint Presentation relative to the above noted and responded to questions.

7. Items Arising from Closed Session

7.1 Board Appointment - Thunder Bay Police Services Board

Confidential Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated September 1, 2023 relative to the above noted was previously presented at the Committee of the Whole - Closed Session Meeting held earlier in the evening.

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 Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the vacancy on the Thunder Bay Police Services Board as a result of the resignation of Councillor Shelby Ch'ng we recommend that Councillor Kasey Etreni be appointed to fill this role;

AND THAT notice of this change be provided to the Administrator of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board following ratification of this decision.

CARRIED

8. Reports of Municipal Officers

8.1 Architectural Services Award - Archives, Transit - Preferred Vendor

Report 271-2023 Infrastructure, Development & Operations - Engineering & Operations providing a recommendation relative to the award of Request for Proposal No. 2023-42 to Critchley Hill Architecture Ltd. for Architectural Services for the Archives Addition and Renovation, and Water Street Transit Terminal Addition and Rehabilitation.

Report 271-2023 Infrastructure, Development & Operations - Engineering & Operations was withdrawn from the agenda to be re-presented at a future date.

9. Petitions and Communications

9.1 Waterfront Trail Funding Commitment - Renew Thunder Bay

Memorandum from Councillor Trevor Giertuga dated June 15, 2023 providing a motion relative to the above noted.

Memorandum from Councillor Trevor Giertuga dated June 15, 2023 relative to the above noted was withdrawn from the agenda to be re-presented at a future date.

9.2 Stakeholder Engagement Feedback Results - Outdoor Rinks

At the June 26, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting a resolution was passed directing Administration to report back on or before August 28, 2023 relative to the above noted.

At the August 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting a resolution was passed directing Administration to create a new outstanding item number for the consultation on outdoor rinks, and that it be brought forward on September 11, 2023.

Memorandum from Manager, Parks and Open Spaces Cory Halvorsen dated August 30, 2023 providing a recommendation relative to outstanding item 2023-103-INO.

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Cory Halvorsen, Manager – Parks and Open Spaces dated August 30, 2023, we recommend that Outstanding List Item 2023-103-INO be removed from the outstanding list;

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

CARRIED

10. Outstanding Items for Operations as at August 29, 2023

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated August 29, 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 2024 Ontario Winter Games Organizing Committee

Minutes of meeting 06-2023 of the 2024 Ontario Games Organizing Committee meeting dated July 13, 2023, for information.

13. Reports of Municipal Officers

13.1 Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept - Review Update

Report 254-2023 Community Services providing a recommendation relative to the preferred site for a proposed multi-use indoor turf facility.

Memorandum from Manager - Community Services Kelly Robertson dated August 25, 2023 requesting an opportunity to provide a presentation relative to the above noted.

Memorandum from Councillor Andrew Foulds, Chair - EarthCare Advisory Committee dated September 6, 2023 relative to the above noted, for information.

Correspondence dated September 7, 2023 from Soccer Northwest Ontario Michael Veneziaie requesting an opportunity to provide a deputation relative to the above noted.

Matt Vodrey and Taylor Clarkson, Consultants - Stantec Inc. appeared before Committee, provided a PowerPoint Presentation relative to the above noted and responded to questions.

Michael Veneziaie, Soccer Northwest Ontario appeared before Committee, provided a deputation relative to the above noted and responded to questions.

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

WITH RESPECT to Report 254-2023 Community Services, we recommend that Council re-affirm Chapples Park as the preferred site for a proposed multi-use indoor turf facility to respond to the community's need for indoor turf;

AND THAT Council direct Administration to proceed to develop a proposed financing strategy to support a Request for Proposal to solicit interest from potential interested proponents to offer services to advance the realization of the project, as outlined in Scenario 1 of this report;

AND THAT Administration report back on the proposed financing strategy on or before November 6, 2023;

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

Amendment – Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept – Review Update

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

WITH RESPECT to Report 254-2023 Community Services, we recommend that the words “re-affirm Chapples Park” be deleted from paragraph 1 and replaced with “confirm the city-owned lands/park lands west of the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium”;

AND THAT “Scenario 1” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with “Scenario 3”;

AND THAT “project” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with "SNO Option (OBC Compliant);

AND THAT the following paragraph be added after paragraph 3

“AND THAT Administration report back in Q1 2024 with the results of the public engagement”

Amendment to Amendment – Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept – Review Update

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT “SNO Option (OBC Compliant)” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with “SNO Option (CTB Facility Design Standard)”;

CARRIED

Amended - Amendment – Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept – Review Update

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

WITH RESPECT to Report 254-2023 Community Services, we recommend that the words “re-affirm Chapples Park” be deleted from paragraph 1 and replaced with “confirm the city-owned lands/park lands west of the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium”;

AND THAT “Scenario 1” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with “Scenario 3”;

AND THAT “project” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with “SNO Option (CTB Facility Design Standard)”;

AND THAT the following paragraph be added after paragraph 3

“AND THAT Administration report back in Q1 2024 with the results of the public engagement”

Amendment to Amended – Amendment - Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept - Review Update

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

SECONDED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz

THAT the following be added as paragraph 5;

AND THAT Administration explore capital funding partnership opportunities with stakeholders in the education field in our community, where appropriate and practical;

LOST

Amended – Amendment - Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept - Review Update

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

WITH RESPECT to Report 254-2023 Community Services, we recommend that the words “re-affirm Chapples Park” be deleted from paragraph 1 and replaced with “confirm the city-owned lands/park lands west of the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium”;

AND THAT “Scenario 1” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with “Scenario 3”;

AND THAT “project” be deleted from paragraph 2 and replaced with “SNO Option (CTB Facility Design Standard)”;

AND THAT the following paragraph be added after paragraph 3

“AND THAT Administration report back in Q1 2024 with the results of the public engagement”

CARRIED

Amended – Soccer Northwest Ontario (SNO) Turf Facility Concept - Review Update

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

WITH RESPECT to Report 254-2023 Community Services, we recommend that Council confirm the city-owned lands/park lands west of the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium as the preferred site for a proposed multi-use indoor turf facility to respond to the community's need for indoor turf;

AND THAT Council direct Administration to proceed to develop a proposed financing strategy to support a Request for Proposal to solicit interest from potential interested proponents to offer services to advance the realization of the SNO Option (CTB Facility Design Standard), as outlined in Scenario 3 of this report;

AND THAT Administration report back on the proposed financing strategy on or before November 6, 2023;

AND THAT Administration report back in Q1 2024 with the results of the public engagement;

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

CARRIED

13.2 Fleet Services -Purchase of Tandem Trucks Tender Award

Report 274-2023 Community Services - Fleet Services recommending that Tender No. 2023-47 for the Supply and Delivery of eight new Tandem Trucks with Side Load Waste Packers be awarded to FST Canada Inc.

Pending the passage of the resolution at the Committee of the Whole meeting, the resolution will be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and will require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to Report 274-2023-Community Services-Fleet Services, we recommend that Tender No. 2023-47 for the Supply and Delivery of eight (8) new Tandem Trucks with Side Load Waste Packers in the amount of \$5,121,503.05 (inclusive of HST and Contingency) be awarded to FST Canada Inc. of Winnipeg, Manitoba;

AND THAT the Manager – Supply Management be authorized to issue any purchase orders related to this tender;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to these matters;

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

CARRIED

13.3 11:00 P.M. Resolution

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT the hour being 11:00 p.m., we continue with the business at hand.

CARRIED

13.4 2023 Accessibility Progress Report

At August 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting the City Clerk advised that this item was withdrawn from the agenda to be re-presented at a later date.

Report 210-2023 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk) providing an update of the City's progress on achieving the compliance required through the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, re-presented for information.

14. Outstanding Items for Community Services Session as of August 29, 2023

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power dated August 29, 2023 providing the Community Services Session Outstanding Items List, for information.

15. New Business

15.1 NOHFC Funding award for the Northcore Streetscape Project

Memorandum from Director - Engineering & Operations Kayla Dixon dated September 6, 2023 providing a recommendation relative to the above noted.

Pending the passage of the resolution at the Committee of the Whole meeting, the resolution will be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and will require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal
SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Kayla Dixon, Director Engineering & Operations, dated September 6, 2023, we recommend that pavement rehabilitation of Memorial Ave from Central Avenue to Harbour Expressway budgeted at \$1,200,000 proceed in 2023 in conjunction with the traffic signal reconstruction of the Harbour Expressway and Memorial Avenue intersection budgeted at \$300,000;

AND THAT that funds in the amount of \$300,000 for the Traffic Signal Communications project and \$200,000 for Storm Sewer Lining be returned to these line items in the 2023 capital budget;

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

CARRIED

15.2 Establishment of Closed Session

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

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, September 18, 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;
- (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (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;
- (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

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:04 p.m.