



## **Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, March 10, 2025**

**Committee of the Whole – Closed Session in the McNaughton Room at 5:30 p.m**

Present:

- Mayor Ken Boshcoff
- Councillor Rajni Agarwal
- Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
- Councillor Trevor Giertuga
- Councillor Brian Hamilton
- Councillor Greg Johnsen
- Councillor Kristen Oliver
- Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
- Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials:

- Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
- John Collin, City Manager
- Patty Robinet, City Solicitor
- Keri Greaves, Commissioner - Corporate Services & City Treasurer

### **1. Committee of the Whole – Closed Session**

Vice-Chair: Councillor Brian Hamilton

#### **1.1 Disclosures of Interest**

#### **1.2 Reports of Municipal Officers**

##### **1.2.1 Tbaytel Shareholder Update**

Paul Norris, President & CEO – Tbaytel and Scott Potts, Chair – Tbaytel Board entered the meeting room.

Confidential 2024 Q4 Financial Update was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and Commissioner – Corporate Services & City Treasurer only.

Paul Norris and Scott Potts provided an overview and responded to questions.

Paul Norris, President & CEO – Tbaytel and Scott Potts, Chair – Tbaytel Board left the meeting room.

John Collin, City Manager provided an overview and responded to questions.

Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk responded to questions.

Keri Greaves, Commissioner - Corporate Services & City Treasurer responded to questions.

#### **1.2.2 Property Related Matter - Letter of Intent - The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay re: SNEMS Base**

Kerri Marshall, Commissioner - Infrastructure & Operations, Kelly Robertson, Commissioner - Community Services, Joel DePeuter, Director - Development Services, Deanna Walker, Manager - Realty Services, Shane Muir - Chief of SNEMS and Kelvin Jankowski, Manager - Capital Facilities Construction entered the meeting room.

2024CLS.004 (Realty Services) was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, Commissioner – Growth, Commissioner – Community Services and Commissioner – Corporate Services & City Treasurer only.

Deanna Walker and Keri Greaves provided an overview.

Shane Muir, Deanna Walker, Joel DePeuter and Keri Greaves responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the amended 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 Auditorium at 6:39 p.m.**

Present: Mayor Ken Boshcoff  
Councillor Rajni Agarwal  
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng  
Councillor Trevor Giertuga  
Councillor Brian Hamilton  
Councillor Greg Johnsen  
Councillor Kristen Oliver  
Councillor Dominic Pasqualino  
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk  
John Collin, City Manager  
Kayla Dixon, Commissioner - Infrastructure & Operations  
Keri Greaves, Commissioner - Corporate Services & City  
Treasurer  
Kerri Marshall, Commissioner - Growth  
Kelly Robertson, Commissioner - Community Services  
Brad Loroff, Manager – Transit Services  
Matthew Furioso, Supervisor Operations – Transit Services  
Gordon Stover, Committee & Meeting Management System  
Coordinator

**2. Open Session (Community Services)**

Chair: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

**3. Disclosures of Interest**

**4. Confirmation of Agenda**

MOVED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to the March 10, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

## **5. Items Arising from Closed Session**

### **5.1 Property Related Matter - Letter of Intent - The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay re: SNEMS Base**

Report 2025CLS.004 (Realty Services) was previously presented in Committee of the Whole – Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

WITH RESPECT to Report 2025CLS.004 (Realty Services) we recommend that the City enter into a Letter of Intent with The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay relating to the construction of a new ambulance base facility (the “**LOI**”);

AND THAT Budget Appropriation #02-2025 be approved;

AND THAT the Director – Development Services be authorized to execute the LOI and all other required documentation in form and content satisfactory to the Manager – Realty Services and the Chief of SNEMS;

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

CARRIED

## **6. Reports of Municipal Officers**

### **6.1 Transit Operator Safety Update**

Report 59-2025 - Community Services - Transit Services providing an annualized summary of safety-related incidents and negative interactions experienced by transit operators for a three-year period from 2022 to 2024, for information only.

Memorandum from Commissioner - Community Services Kelly Robertson, dated February 20, 2025 requesting that Manager - Transit Services Brad Loroff provide a presentation.

Manager - Transit Services Brad Loroff and Supervisor - Operations Matthew Furioso appeared before Committee, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

## **7. Petitions and Communications**

### **7.1 Green Municipal Fund Application for the Renewal of the City of Thunder Bay Climate Adaptation Strategy Renewal**

Memorandum from Jacob Porter, Climate Adaptation Coordinator, dated February 25, 2025 containing a recommendation that Administration apply for a funding opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation initiative.

MOVED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from J. Porter, Climate Adaptation Coordinator dated February 25, 2025, we recommend that Administration apply for a funding opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation initiative for the project titled City of Thunder Bay Climate Adaptation Strategy Renewal;

AND THAT if successful the Commissioner Infrastructure & Operations be authorized to sign all documentation related to this matter;

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

CARRIED

### **7.2 Request for Redistribution Funding for Sustainable Infrastructure**

Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver, Chair - Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee, dated February 11, 2025 containing a motion requesting support for the redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and Goods and Services Tax to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding from the Province of Ontario.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver, Chair – Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee, dated February 11, 2025, we support, in principle, the request for redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and Goods and

Services Tax to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding from the Province of Ontario;

AND THAT the City of Thunder Bay express its willingness to work collaboratively with the Province in an effort to realize any and all opportunities that may be available with respect to support for long term planning and sustainable infrastructure funding for municipalities in Ontario that result in overall community benefit;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be provided to the Prime Minister of Canada, Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Thunder Bay - Superior North, MPP Thunder Bay - Atikokan, MPP Thunder Bay - Superior North, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all 444 municipalities in Ontario;

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

CARRIED

### **7.3 Survey Launching - City Council Governance Review**

Memorandum from Director - Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated March 1, 2025 advising City Council and the public of an upcoming survey with respect to the work of the City Council Governance Review, for information only.

## **8. Outstanding Items**

There are currently no listed Outstanding Items for the Community Services Session.

## **9. New Business**

### **9.1 Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session - March 17, 2025**

The following resolution will be presented to establish Committee of the Whole - Closed Session Meeting on March 17, 2025:

MOVED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

THAT a Committee of the Whole Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, March 17, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. in order to receive information pursuant to the Municipal Act (Section 239 (2)) relative to:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;

(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

## **10. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.