



Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 21, 2025, 5:00 p.m.
McNaughton Room

Present: Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Mark Bentz
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
Councillor Kasey Etreni
Councillor Trevor Giertuga
Councillor Brian Hamilton
Councillor Greg Johnsen
Councillor Kristen Oliver
Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Dana Earle, Manager-Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
Jeff Walters, Manager-Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
John Collin, City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor

1. Open Session

Vice-Chair: Councillor Brian Hamilton

2. Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

At the July 14, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, the following resolution was presented to establish the July 21, 2025 Committee of the Whole - Closed Session Meeting:

MOVED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, July 21, 2025 at 5:00 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;
- (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;
- (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 or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239.

3. Amendment - Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

WITH RESPECT to the resolution to establish the Monday, July 21, 2025 Committee of the Whole – Closed Session, we recommend that the following reasons be added:

(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

(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 THAT the following reasons be removed:

(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;

(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

4. Amended - Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

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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. 2001, c. 25, s. 239.

CARRIED

5. Closed Session in the McNaughton Room at 5:01 p.m.

Vice-Chair: Councillor Brian Hamilton

Present:

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

Officials: Dana Earle, Manager-Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
Jeff Walters, Manager-Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
John Collin, City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor

6. Disclosures of Interest

7. Reports of Municipal Officers

7.1 Board Appointments - Waterfront District BIA

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

Confidential Memorandum from Director – Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated June 23, 2025 was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only on Friday, July 18, 2025.

Deputy City Clerk Dana Earle responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to the Confidential Memorandum from Director-Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated June 23, 2025 would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

7.2 Board Appointment - Tbaytel Board of Directors

Confidential Memorandum from Councillor Albert Aiello, Chair -Thunder Bay Recruitment Committee, dated July 14, 2025 was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager and City Solicitor only on Friday, July 18, 2025.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to the Confidential Memorandum from Councillor Albert Aiello, Chair - Thunder Bay Recruitment Committee, dated July 14, 2025 would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

Tina Larocque left the meeting room.

7.3 Property Related Matter - Waterfront

Deputy City Solicitor Cynthia Cline, Commissioner-Corporate Services & City Treasurer Keri Greaves, Commissioner-Infrastructure & Operations Kayla Dixon, Acting Commissioner-Growth Joel DePeuter and Manager-Realty Services Deanna Walker entered the meeting room.

Report 2025CLS.030 (Realty Services) was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, Commissioner – Growth, Commissioner – Corporate Services and Commissioner – Infrastructure & Operations only on Friday, July 18, 2025.

Joel DePeuter provided an overview and responded to questions.

City Manager John Collin and Keri Greaves responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report 2025CLS.030 (Realty Services) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

At 5:48 p.m. the Closed Session concluded. It was the consensus of Committee that Open Session reconvene at 6:30 p.m.

8. Open Session (Planning Services/Growth) in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:31 p.m.

Vice-Chair: Councillor Brian Hamilton

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, Manager-Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
Jeff Walters, Manager-Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
John Collin, City Manager
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor
Kayla Dixon, Commissioner – Infrastructure & Operations
Joel DePeuter, Acting Commissioner – Growth
Keri Greaves, Commissioner – Corporate Services & City
Treasurer
Cynthia Olsen, Director – Strategy & Engagement
Kelly Robertson, Commissioner – Community Services
Rilee Willianen, Specialist - Drug Strategy
Katie Piché, Council & Committee Clerk

9. Disclosures of Interest

10. Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to the July 21, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

Amendment – Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to the confirmation of the agenda, notwithstanding Section 5.08 (e) (6) of Procedural By-law 51/2021, we recommend that the deputation, previously denied by the City Clerk, relating to Report 239-2025 Temporary Village Initiative-Alternate Locations be heard from Fort William BIA Member Steven Scollie;

AND THAT the agenda be amended accordingly.

CARRIED

Amended – Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to the July 21, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

11. Presentations

11.1 2024 Thunder Bay Police Service Annual Report

Memorandum from Chief of Police Darcy Fleury dated July 11, 2025 requesting to provide a presentation relative to the 2024 Thunder Bay Police Service Annual Report.

Chief of Police Darcy Fleury and Director-Corporate Communications-Thunder Bay Police Service Tracie Smith appeared before Committee, provided a presentation and responded to questions.

12. Deputations

12.1 Temporary Shelter Village Initiative

Correspondence received from Lorraine Wilson dated July 18, 2025 requesting to provide a deputation relative to Report 239-2025 -Temporary Shelter Village Initiative.

Lorraine Wilson and Elyse Elvish appeared before Committee, provided a deputation and responded to questions.

12.2 Temporary Shelter Village Initiative

Steven Scollie appeared before Committee, provided a deputation and responded to questions.

13. Items Arising from Closed Session

13.1 Board Appointments - Waterfront District BIA

Confidential Memorandum from Director – Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated June 23, 2025 was previously presented in Committee of the Whole - Closed Session held earlier this evening.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution will 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 Etreni

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to the Confidential Memorandum from Director-Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated June 23, 2025 relative to appointments to the Waterfront District BIA Board of Directors, we recommend that Frank Marino and Connor Remus be appointed for the remainder of 4 year terms expiring November 14, 2026 or until such time as replacements have been appointed.

CARRIED

13.2 Board Appointment - Tbaytel Board of Directors

Confidential Memorandum from Councillor Albert Aiello, Chair -Thunder Bay Recruitment Committee, dated July 14, 2025 was previously presented in Committee of the Whole -Closed Session held earlier this evening.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution will 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 Trevor Giertuga

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the Confidential Memorandum from Councillor Albert Aiello, Chair - Thunder Bay Recruitment Committee, dated July 14, 2025, we recommend that Murray Walberg be appointed to the Tbaytel Board of Directors;

AND THAT Murray Walberg's term of office shall be 3 years, expiring June 30, 2028 or until such time as a replacement has been appointed.

CARRIED

13.3 Property Related Matter - Waterfront

Report 2025CLS.030 (Realty Services) was previously presented in Committee of the Whole - Closed Session held earlier this evening.

MOVED BY: Mayor Ken Boshcoff

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to Report 2025CLS.030 (Realty Services) we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

14. Outstanding Items

14.1 Outstanding Items List for Planning Services/Growth as of July 8, 2025

Memorandum from Director-Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated July 8, 2025, for information.

15. Open Session (Administrative Services)

Chair: Councillor Mark Bentz

16. Reports of Committees, Boards and Outside Agencies

16.1 Anti-Racism & Equity Advisory Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 04-2025 of the Anti-Racism & Equity Advisory Committee, held on May 27, 2025, for information.

16.2 Clean, Green & Beautiful Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 04-2025 of the Clean, Green & Beautiful Committee, held on May 28, 2025, for information.

16.3 Community Communications Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 01-2025 of the Community Communications Committee, held on February 20, 2025, for information.

16.4 Community Economic Development Commission Minutes

Minutes of Meetings 03-2025 and 04-2025 of the Community Economic Development Commission Board of Directors, held on April 23, 2025 and May 21, 2025, respectively, for information.

16.5 Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meetings 01-2025, 02-2025 and 03-2025 of the Heritage Advisory Committee, held on January 23, 2025, March 27, 2025 and May 22, 2025, respectively, for information.

16.6 Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 05-2025 of the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee, held on May 14, 2025, for information.

16.7 Official Recognition Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 02-2025 of the Official Recognition Committee, held on March 20, 2025, for information.

17. Reports of Municipal Officers

17.1 2024 Accessibility Progress Report

Report 155-2025-City Manager's Office-Office of the City Clerk providing and update of the progress the City of Thunder Bay has made in 2024 toward creating a more inclusive and accessible community, for information.

18. Petitions and Communications

18.1 Clean, Green & Beautiful - Memorial Project

Memorandum from Councillor Rajni Agarwal, dated July 11, 2025 containing a motion relative to the Clean, Green & Beautiful Memorial Project.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Rajni Agarwal, dated July 11, 2025 we recommend that City Council approve in principle the project approved by Clean, Green & Beautiful to post memorial banners honouring war veterans in the

City of Thunder Bay;

AND THAT funding required for additional years of this project beyond 2027 be subject to City Council budget deliberations for 2028 and onward;

AND THAT Administration provide City Council more information on this project as it evolves;

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

CARRIED

18.2 South Core Roar - Funding Request

Memorandum from Councillor Rajni Agarwal, dated July 10, 2025 containing a motion relative to a funding request for the upcoming South Core Roar event.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Rajni Agarwal, dated July 10, 2025 we recommend that \$20,000 of funding be allocated from the City of Thunder Bay to support the South Core Roar event taking place on September 20, 2025; AND THAT the source of funding be determined by Administration prior to ratification of this decision;

AND THAT Administration provide in-kind support for the event with the addition of litter and refuse pick up before and after the event;

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

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19. Outstanding Items

19.1 Outstanding Items List for Administrative Services as of July 8, 2025

Memorandum from Director-Legislative Services & City Clerk Krista Power, dated July 8, 2025, for information.

20. New Business

20.1 Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session - August 11, 2025

The following resolution is presented to establish a Committee of the Whole - Closed Session Meeting on August 11, 2025:

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, August 11, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. in order to receive information pursuant to the Municipal Act (Section 239 (2)) relative to:

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- (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

21. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.