



MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: Monday, April 29, 2019

Reference No. COW 29/50

CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION in the McNaughton Room at 6:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

Attendance:

PRESENT:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor A. Aiello
Councillor S. Ch'ng
Councillor A. Foulds
Councillor C. Fraser
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

OFFICIALS:

Mr. J. Hannam, City Clerk
Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Ms. P. Robinet, City Solicitor
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services
& Long Term Care

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor A. Foulds disclosed an interest relative to Report No. 2019CLS.010 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) 2019 Non-Affiliated, Non-Union and Managerial Salaries as he has a family member that is a Non-Affiliated employee.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

2019 Non-Affiliated, Non-Union and Managerial Salaries

Councillor A. Foulds left the meeting room. Ms. M. Panizza, Director - Human Resources & Corporate Safety and Ms. A. Turuba, Manager - Compensation, Benefits and Health Services entered the meeting room.

Report No. 2019CLS.010 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) relative to the above noted.

Ms. M. Panizza presented and responded to questions.

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

The City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report No. 2019CLS.010 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) would be presented at the April 29, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Ms. M. Panizza and Ms. A. Turuba left the meeting room.

OPEN SESSION

OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:45 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Administrative Services Session

Vice Chair: Councillor A. Foulds

PRESENT:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor A. Aiello
Councillor S. Ch'ng
Councillor A. Foulds
Councillor C. Fraser
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

OFFICIALS:

Mr. J. Hannam, City Clerk
Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Mr. M. Grimaldi, Solicitor
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services
& Long Term Care
Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure &
Operations
Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community
Services
Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development &
Emergency Services
Chief J. Hay, Thunder Bay Fire Rescue
Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering
Ms. K. Cannon, Director - Revenue
Ms. T. Larocque, Committee Coordinator

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor A. Foulds disclosed an interest relative to Report 2019CLS.010 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) Non-Affiliated, Non-Union and Managerial Salaries Report as he has a family member is Non-Affiliated member.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - April 29, 2019 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the April 29, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Community Communications Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meetings No. 04-2018 and No. 01-2019 of the Community Communications Committee held on December 20, 2018 and January 22, 2019, respectively, for information.

50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting No. 1-2019 of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee held on February 22, 2019, for information.

Thunder Bay Police Services Board Minutes

Minutes of Meetings No. 6-2019 and No. 8-2019 of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board held on January 15, 2019 and February 19, 2019, respectively, for information.

Crime Prevention Council Minutes

Minutes of Meeting No. 01-2019 of the Crime Prevention Council held on January 16, 2019, for information.

Official Recognition Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meetings No. 01-2019 and No. 02-2019 of the Official Recognition Committee held on January 21, 2019 and February 11, 2019, respectively, for information.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

2019 Non-Affiliated, Non-Union and Managerial Salaries

Report No. 2019CLS.010 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety) relative to the above noted was previously presented to the Special Committee of the Whole - Closed session held on April 29, 2019.

Councillor C. Fraser assumed the Chair.

Councillor A. Foulds disclosed an interest and refrained from discussing or voting on the following resolution.

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 Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With respect to Report No. 2019 CLS.010 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety), we recommend that a 1.5% general increase be applied effective January 1, 2019 to all non-union managerial employees governed by Schedule A of the Managerial and Non-Union By-Law, and that the Non-Union Managerial Salary Schedule be amended accordingly;

THAT the non-affiliated pay schedule be realigned as outlined in the report effective January 1, 2019, and that the Non-Affiliated Pay Schedule be amended accordingly;

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

CARRIED

Contract 1, 2019- Asphalt Surface Rehabilitation I

Report No. R 18/2019 (Infrastructure and Operations-Engineering) recommending the award of Contract 1, 2019 Asphalt Surface Rehabilitation I to Pioneer Construction 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.

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MOVED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

With respect to Report No. R 18/2019 (Infrastructure and Operations – Engineering) we recommend that Contract No. 1, 2019 for Asphalt Surface Rehabilitation I be awarded to Pioneer Construction Inc. who submitted the lowest bid in the amount of \$4,250,815.73 (inclusive of HST); it being noted that the amount shown is based on estimated quantities and final payment for this contract be based on measured quantities for the completed work;

AND THAT Appropriation Change Order No. 3 (Attachment ‘A’) be approved;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations report any circumstances to City Council should significant variations in the contract quantities occur;

AND THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to this matter;

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

CARRIED

Contract 3, 2019- Sewer and Watermain Replacement 1

Report No. R 35/2019 (Infrastructure and Operations-Engineering) recommending the award of Contract 3, 2019- Sewer and Water I to Nadin Contracting.

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 Cody Fraser

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

With respect to Report No. 35/2019 (Engineering and Operations - Engineering), we recommend that Contract 3, 2019 for Sewer and Watermain Replacement I be awarded to Nadin Contracting Ltd, which submitted the lowest tender in the amount of \$2,511,870.79 (inclusive of HST); it being noted that the amount shown is based on estimated quantities; final payment for this Contract will be based on measured quantities for the complete work;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations report significant variations in the Contract quantities to City Council;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to this matter;

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

CARRIED

Contract 4, 2019- Syndicate Avenue Storm Sewer and Watermain

Report No. 58/2019 (Infrastructure and Operations - Engineering) recommending the award of Contract 4, 2019- Syndicate Avenue Storm Sewer and Watermain to Makkingas Contracting and Equipment Rentals

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 Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to Report R 58 /2019 (Infrastructure and Operations – Engineering) we recommend that Contract 4, 2019 – Syndicate Avenue Storm Sewer and Watermain be awarded to Makkinga Contracting and Equipment Rentals Ltd. who submitted the lowest tender in the amount of \$1,904,452.28 [inclusive of HST]; it being noted that the amount shown is based on estimated quantities, final payment for this Contract will be based on measured quantities for the completed work;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations report significant variations in the Contract quantities to City Council;

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

AND THAT any necessary bylaws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

Contract 6, 2019 - Empress Avenue Reconstruction - Phase II

Report No. 28/2018 (Infrastructure and Operations - Engineering) recommending the award of Contract 6, 2019 - Empress Avenue Reconstruction Phase II to Makknga Contracting and Equipment Rentals.

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 Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to Report R 28/2019 (Engineering & Operations – Engineering) we recommend that Contract 6, 2019 – Empress Avenue Reconstruction – Phase II be awarded to Makkinga

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Contracting and Equipment Rentals Ltd. who submitted the lowest tender in the amount of \$2,651,012.21 [inclusive of HST]; it being noted that the amount shown is based on estimated quantities, final payment for this Contract will be based on measured quantities for the completed work;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations report any significant variations in the contract quantities to City Council;

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

AND THAT any necessary bylaws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

2018 Annual Action Report, Crime Prevention Council

Report No. 69/2019 (Corporate Strategic Services) contains a summary of key activities implemented from the action items in Safer Thunder Bay-2017-2020: Community Safety & Well-Being Strategy.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, Director - Corporate Strategic Services, dated April 16, 2019 requesting to provide a presentation relative to the Crime Prevention Council 2018 Annual Action Report.

Mr. J. Upton, Chair - Crime Prevention Council, Ms. L. Chevrette, Coordinator - Crime Prevention Council, Inspector R. Gibson, Thunder Bay Police and Ms. L. Bruins, Executive Director - Evergreen appeared before Council and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Crime Prevention Council Terms of Reference

Report No. 68/2019 (Corporate Strategic Services) recommending acceptance of an updated Terms of Reference.

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

With respect to Report No. R 68 /2019 (Corporate Strategic Services), we recommend that the Terms of Reference for the Crime Prevention Council, as appended to this Report, be approved;

AND THAT the necessary bylaws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

Draft 2019-2022 Corporate Strategic Plan

Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, Director - Corporate Strategic Services, dated April 18, 2019 relative to the draft 2019-2022 Corporate Strategic Plan.

Attachment A - Draft 2019-2022 Corporate Strategic Plan, One City, All Together (Distributed Separately)

Long Term Tax Strategy

Report No. 59/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care-Revenue) recommending a long term property tax strategy to guide administration in the preparation of annual tax policies.

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

With respect to Report No. 59/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Revenue), we recommend that a long-term property tax strategy be established to guide Administration in preparation of annual tax policies with the following considerations:

1. Graduated taxation in the large industrial property class be phased out by increasing the low band rate;
2. The broad class industrial ratio be reduced from 2.925444 (2018) to 2.63, the provincial threshold ratio for the industrial property class by reducing the large industrial tax ratio;
3. The multi-residential tax ratio be reduced from 2.422438 (2018) to the provincial threshold ratio of 2.0; with the revenue from growth in the new multi-residential property class being directed to reduce the multi-residential tax ratio;
4. The commercial tax ratio be reduced from 2.137932 (2018) to 1.98, the provincial threshold ratio for the commercial property class by adopting the starting ratio each year;
5. Recommendations in paragraphs 1-4 be limited to the extent that the impact on a median residential property does not exceed the Council approved tax levy increase for the year by more than 0.5% (i.e., 2019, 2.29% levy increase before growth is equal to not more than 2.79% tax rate increase for residential property owners);
6. The annual tax policy report will provide two options for Council's consideration including; an option which will reflect recommendations in paragraphs 1-5; and a status quo option (starting ratios with same tax policies as adopted by City Council in the previous year).

Long Term Tax Strategy Amendment

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

With respect to Report No. 59/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Revenue) Long Term Tax Strategy, we recommend that paragraph 6 be amended to include a tax shift mitigation option.

CARRIED

Long Term Tax Strategy Final Resolution

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

With respect to Report No. 59/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Revenue), we recommend that a long-term property tax strategy be established to guide Administration in preparation of annual tax policies with the following considerations:

1. Graduated taxation in the large industrial property class be phased out by increasing the low band rate;
2. The broad class industrial ratio be reduced from 2.925444 (2018) to 2.63, the provincial threshold ratio for the industrial property class by reducing the large industrial tax ratio;
3. The multi-residential tax ratio be reduced from 2.422438 (2018) to the provincial threshold ratio of 2.0; with the revenue from growth in the new multi-residential property class being directed to reduce the multi-residential tax ratio;
4. The commercial tax ratio be reduced from 2.137932 (2018) to 1.98, the provincial threshold ratio for the commercial property class by adopting the starting ratio each year;
5. Recommendations in paragraphs 1-4 be limited to the extent that the impact on a median residential property does not exceed the Council approved tax levy increase for the year by more than 0.5% (i.e., 2019, 2.29% levy increase before growth is equal to not more than 2.79% tax rate increase for residential property owners);
6. The annual tax policy report will provide options for Council's consideration including; an option which will reflect recommendations in paragraphs 1-5; and a status quo option (starting ratios with same tax policies as adopted by City Council in the previous year) and a tax shift mitigation option.

CARRIED

2019 Budget Variance Report #1

Report No. R 63/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) provides projections to City Council of the City's financial position to year-end, for information only.

2020 Proposed Budget Calendar

Report No. 75/2019 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care - Financial Services) recommending approval of the Proposed Budget Calendar for the 2020 Budget.

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to Report No. R 75 /2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services), we recommend that the dates for Special Committee of the Whole meetings to deliberate the 2020 Capital and Operating Budgets for the City of Thunder Bay be approved in accordance with Attachment A - 2020 Budget Calendar;

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

2020 Proposed Budget Calendar - First Amendment

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to Report No. 75/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Financial Services) 2020 Proposed Budget Calendar, we recommend that Attachment A - 2020 Budget Calendar be amended by changing the start time for the Council budget review dates from 5:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

CARRIED

2020 Proposed Budget Calendar - Second Amendment

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to Report No. 75/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Financial Services) 2020 Proposed Budget Calendar, we recommend that Attachment A - 2020 Budget Calendar be amended by deleting the Public Post-Budget Deputation Meeting date;

AND THAT the ratification by City Council date be amended from February 10, 2020 to February 3, 2020.

CARRIED

TBFR Strategic Plan

Report No. 66/2019 (Development & Emergency Services - Thunder Bay Fire Rescue), recommending that the Strategic Planning process for Thunder Bay Fire Rescue commence.

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: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

With respect to Report No. R 66/2019 (Thunder Bay Fire Rescue), we recommend that the Strategic Planning process for Thunder Bay Fire Rescue commence with Emergency Management & Training Inc being awarded the work as outlined in this Report;

AND that Appropriation Change Order No 5, as appended to this Report, be approved;

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

CARRIED

Community Communications Committee - Terms of Reference

Report No. R 56/2019 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk) recommending that the Terms of Reference for the Community Communications Committee, as appended to this Report as Attachment A, be approved.

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to Report No R 56/2019 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk), we recommend that the Terms of Reference for the Community Communications Committee, as appended to this Report as Attachment A, be approved;

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

CARRIED

Review of 2018 Municipal & School Board Elections

Report No. 62/2019 (Office of the City Clerk - City Manager's Office) reviews the conduct of the 2018 Municipal & School Board General Elections, focusing on the use of Internet and Telephone voting and its impact on voting behavior, for information only.

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Memorandum from Mr. J. Hannam, City Clerk, dated April 25, 2019 relative to Voter's List for Municipal Election, was distributed via email on Friday, April 26, 2019.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Update - Attendance Polling - Designated Truck Route

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, Deputy City Clerk, dated April 24, 2019 providing an update relative to attendance polling for the presentation of the designated truck route by-law, was distributed via email to City Council and EMT on Thursday, April 25, 2019.

Memorandum from Councillor T. Giertuga, dated April 29, 2019 providing a motion relative to the presentation of the designated truck route by-law, was distributed separately on Monday, April 29, 2019.

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the timing of the presentation of the By-law to establish a Designated Truck Route in the City of Thunder Bay, we recommend that Administration schedule the By-law to be presented on Monday, June 17, 2019.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Establishment of Committee of the Whole - Closed Session - May 6, 2019

Confidential memorandum from Ms. K. Power, Deputy City Clerk, dated April 26, 2019 relative to establishing a Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting on May 6, 2019, was distributed separately on Friday, April 26, 2019 to Members of City Council and EMT only.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton
SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, May 6, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. in order to receive information relative to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; and labour relations or employee negotiations.

CARRIED

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Resolution to Establish City Council - Special Session - May 6, 2019

Memorandum from Mr. J. Hannam, City Clerk, dated April 23, 2019 relative to establishing a City Council - Special Session to be held on May 6, 2019, was distributed separately to Council and EMT via email on Friday, April 26, 2019.

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT a City Council – Special Session meeting be established for Monday, May 6, 2019, immediately following Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of ratifying any necessary resolutions from the May 6, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.