



# **AGENDA MATERIAL**

## **CITY COUNCIL**

**MEETING DATE:** MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021

**LOCATION:** S. H. BLAKE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM  
(Council Chambers)

**TIME:** Immediately following Committee of the Whole



**MEETING:** City Council

**DATE:** Monday, December 6, 2021

*Reference*

*CC - 1/53*

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**OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium immediately following Committee of the Whole**

City Council  
Chair: Mayor Bill Mauro

***OPENING CEREMONIES***

One Minute of Silence.

***DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST***

***CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA***

Confirmation of Agenda - December 6, 2021 - City Council **(Page 5)**

WITH RESPECT to the December 6, 2021 City Council meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

***MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS***

**City Council Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meeting of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on November 22, 2021. **(Pages 6 – 12)**

THAT the Minutes of the following Meeting of the Thunder Bay City Council, be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council meeting held on November 22, 2021.

***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

## **Motion to Suspend the Rules of Procedure – Procedural By-Law 128-2012 Section 9.02 (c) – Appointment of Acting Mayors By-law 69/2021**

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated November 23, 2021, recommending an amendment to the appointments of Acting Mayors for January and February 2022. **(Pages 13 – 14)**

WITH RESPECT to amending the appointments of Acting Mayors for January and February 2022; we move to suspend the rules of procedure set out in Procedural By-Law 51/2021 specifically Section 9.02 (c) and its requirement for a notice of motion to amend a prior decision of Council in order to change the appointments of Councillor Ruberto and Councillor McKinnon;

AND THAT By-Law 69/2021 be amended by appointing Councillor Ruberto as the Acting Mayor in January 2022 and Councillor McKinnon as the Acting Mayor in February 2022;

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

## ***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND OUTSIDE AGENCIES***

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

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. November 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole. **(Pages 15 – 26)**

THAT the Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:

1. November 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole.

### **Ward Meeting Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Ward Meetings to be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on June 2, 2021. **(Pages 27 – 38)**
2. Meeting 03-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on September 28, 2021. **(Pages 39 – 45)**
3. Meeting 01-2021 of the Neebing Ward held on April 22, 2021. **(Pages 46 – 51)**

THAT the Minutes of the following Ward Meetings be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on June 2, 2021;
2. Meeting 03-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on September 28, 2021;
3. Meeting 01-2021 of the Neebing Ward held on April 22, 2021.

### **Ratifying Resolutions**

## ***BY-LAWS***

### **BL 87/2021 - A By-law to Authorize the Borrowing Upon Serial Debentures**

A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law. **(Distributed Separately)**

### **BL 88/2021 - A By-law to Authorize the Borrowing Upon Serial Debentures**

A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law. **(Distributed Separately)**

### **BL 89/2021 - A By-law to Authorize the Borrowing Upon Serial Debentures**

A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law. **(Distributed Separately)**

### **BL 90/2021 - A By-law to Authorize the Borrowing Upon Serial Debentures**

A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law. **(Distributed Separately)**

### **BL 95/2021 - By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Municipal Enforcement Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay.**

A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of officers. **(Pages 56 – 57)**

## **By-law Resolution**

By-law Resolution - December 6, 2021 - City Council **(Page 58)**

THAT the following By-laws be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$XX towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law.

By-law Number: BL 87/2021

2. A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$XX towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law.

By-law Number: BL 88/2021

3. A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$XX towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law.

By-law Number: BL 89/2021

4. A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$XX towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law.

By-law Number: BL 90/2021

5. A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of officers.

By-law Number: BL 95/2021

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

## ***NOTICE OF MOTION***

## ***CONFIRMING BY-LAW***

### **BL 83/2021 - Confirming By-law - December 6, 2021.**

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 6th day of June, 2021.  
**(Pages 59 – 60)**

### **Confirming By-law Resolution - December 6, 2021- City Council (Page 61)**

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

By-law Number: BL 83/2021

## ***ADJOURNMENT***



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**MEETING DATE**      12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SUBJECT**              Confirmation of Agenda

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***SUMMARY***

Confirmation of Agenda - December 6, 2021 - City Council

***RECOMMENDATION***

WITH RESPECT to the December 6, 2021 City Council meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.



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**MEETING DATE** 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SUBJECT** City Council Minutes

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***SUMMARY***

The Minutes of the following Meeting of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on November 22, 2021.

***RECOMMENDATION***

THAT the Minutes of the following Meeting of the Thunder Bay City Council, be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council meeting held on November 22, 2021.

***ATTACHMENTS***

1 CC Minutes November 22 2021



**MEETING:** City Council

**DATE:** Monday, November 22, 2021

*Reference No.* 29/52

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**OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 9:41 p.m.**

City Council

Chair: Mayor Bill Mauro

***OPENING CEREMONIES***

One Minute of Silence.

***DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST***

Aside from those disclosures already recorded in the previous minutes as presented here, no additional disclosures of interest were announced.

***CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA***

Confirmation of Agenda - November 22, 2021 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

WITH RESPECT to the November 22, 2021 City Council meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

***MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS***

**City Council Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:



1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on November 8, 2021;
2. The Thunder Bay City Council (Public Meeting) held on November 15, 2021 was distributed separately on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

THAT the Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council meeting held on November 8, 2021;
2. The Thunder Bay City Council (Public Meeting) held on November 15, 2021.

CARRIED

### ***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND OUTSIDE AGENCIES***

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

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting(s), to be adopted:

1. November 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole;
2. November 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole was distributed separately on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT the Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting(s), be adopted:

1. November 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole;
2. November 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

#### **Ward Meeting Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Ward Meetings to be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the Current River Ward held on June 29, 2021.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT the Minutes of the following Ward Meetings be received:

3. Meeting 02-2021 of the Current River Ward held on June 29, 2021.

CARRIED

### **Town Hall Meeting Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Town Hall Meeting to be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the At Large Town Hall held on June 10, 2021.

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

THAT the Minutes of the following Town Hall Meeting be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the At Large Town Hall held on June 10, 2021.

CARRIED

### **Ratifying Resolutions**

The City Clerk advised that the resolution previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the above noted required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

THAT the following ratifying resolutions be introduced, read, dealt with individually:

1. Human Resources Matter – Report 2021CLS.040 (Human Resources & Corporate Safety)
2. Contract Related Matter – Report 2021CLS.038 (Recreation & Culture)

CARRIED

***BY-LAWS***

**BL 69/2021 - Appointment of Acting Mayors - 2021 - 2022**

A By-law respecting the appointment of Acting Mayors.

**BL 77/2021 - Amendment to By-law 011-2007, to update the Appointment of Officers**

A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of Officers.

**BL 82/2021 - Site Plan Control Designation - Gordon Street**

A By-law to designate areas of Site Plan Control pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended (Gordon Street and Mountdale Avenue).

**BL 84/2021 - By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Municipal Enforcement Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay**

A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of officers.

**BL 85/2021 - Shopping Cart By-law**

A By-law to manage abandoned shopping carts in the City of Thunder Bay.

**BL 86/2021 - Fireworks By-law**

A By-law relating to regulate and control the sale and discharge of fireworks within the City of Thunder Bay, including the unlawful nuisance discharges that negatively affect both persons and pets.

**BL 91/2021 - A By-law to amend By-law BL 40/2016, being a by-law to Regulate Traffic on the Roads and Highways of the City of Thunder Bay**

A By-law to amend By-law BL 40/2016, being a by-law to Regulate Traffic on the Roads and Highways of the City of Thunder Bay with respect to Schedule Two – Prohibited Parking Specified Places and Times, Schedule Eight – Angle Parking, Schedule Ten - Loading Zones, Schedule

Eleven – School Bus Loading Zones and Schedule Nineteen – One Way Streets was distributed separately on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

### **By-law Resolution**

By-law Resolution - November 22, 2021

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

THAT the following By-law(s) be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to appoint Acting Mayors for the term of Council, commencing December 1, 2021, up to and including November 14, 2022.

By-law Number: BL 69/2021

2. A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of Officers.

By-law Number: BL 77/2021

3. A By-law to designate areas of Site Plan Control pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended (Gordon Street and Mountdale Avenue).

By-law Number: BL 82/2021

4. A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay.

By-law Number: BL 84/2021

5. A By-law to manage abandoned shopping carts in the City of Thunder Bay.

By-law Number: BL 85/2021

6. A By-law to regulate and control the sale and discharge of fireworks within the City of Thunder Bay, including the unlawful nuisance discharges that negatively affect both persons and pets.

By-law Number: BL 86/2021

7. A By-law to amend By-law BL 40/2016, being a by-law to Regulate Traffic on the Roads and Highways of the City of Thunder Bay with respect to Schedule Two – Prohibited Parking Specified Places and Times, Schedule Eight – Angle Parking, Schedule Ten - Loading Zones, , Schedule Eleven – School Bus Loading Zones and Schedule Nineteen – One Way Streets.

By-law Number: BL 91/2021

CARRIED

***CONFIRMING BY-LAW***

**BL 80/2021 - Confirming By-law - November 22, 2021**

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2021.

**Confirming By-law Resolution - November 22, 2021- City Council**

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2021.

By-law Number: BL 80/2021

CARRIED

***ADJOURNMENT***

The meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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**MEETING DATE** 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SUBJECT** Motion to Suspend the Rules of Procedure – Procedural By-Law 128-  
2012 Section 9.02 (c) – Appointment of Acting Mayors By-law 69/2021

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***SUMMARY***

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated November 23, 2021, recommending an amendment to the appointments of Acting Mayors for January and February 2022.

***RECOMMENDATION***

WITH RESPECT to amending the appointments of Acting Mayors for January and February 2022; we move to suspend the rules of procedure set out in Procedural By-Law 51/2021 specifically Section 9.02 (c) and its requirement for a notice of motion to amend a prior decision of Council in order to change the appointments of Councillor Ruberto and Councillor McKinnon;

AND THAT By-Law 69/2021 be amended by appointing Councillor Ruberto as the Acting Mayor in January 2022 and Councillor McKinnon as the Acting Mayor in February 2022;

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

***ATTACHMENTS***

1 K Power Memo dated November 23 2021

## Memorandum

*Office of the City Clerk*  
**Fax:** 623-5468  
**Telephone:** 625-2230

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**TO:** Mayor & Council

**FROM:** Krista Power, City Clerk

**DATE:** November 23, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Motion to Suspend the Rules of Procedure – Procedural By-Law 128-2012 Section 9.02 (c) – Appointment of Acting Mayors By-law 69/2021  
City Council – December 6, 2021

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The Appointment of Acting Mayors By-law 69/2021 was passed by Council on November 22, 2021 approving the appointment of Members of Council as Acting Mayor for the period December 1, 2021 to November 14, 2022. A request has come forward from Councillor Ruberto to change the schedule.

The change in schedule would provide for Councillor Ruberto to be the Acting Mayor in January 2022 and Councillor McKinnon to be the Acting Mayor in February 2022.

In order to effect this change in the schedule of Acting Mayors an amendment is required to By-Law 69/2021 - Appointment of Acting Mayors. Additionally, the approval of City Council is required in order to suspend the rules of procedure and notice set out in Procedural By-Law 51/2021, Section 9.02 (c) which sets out the process for an amendment to a decision previously adopted by Council.

The following motion is presented for Council's consideration detailing the change noted above.

WITH RESPECT to amending the appointments of Acting Mayors for January and February 2022; we move to suspend the rules of procedure set out in Procedural By-Law 51/2021 specifically Section 9.02 (c) and its requirement for a notice of motion to amend a prior decision of Council in order to change the appointments of Councillor Ruberto and Councillor McKinnon;

AND THAT By-Law 69/2021 be amended by appointing Councillor Ruberto as the Acting Mayor in January 2022 and Councillor McKinnon as the Acting Mayor in February 2022;

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

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***MEETING DATE***      12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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***SUBJECT***              Committee of the Whole Minutes

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***SUMMARY***

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. November 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole.

***RECOMMENDATION***

THAT the Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:

1.      November 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole.

***ATTACHMENTS***

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**MEETING:** Committee of the Whole

**DATE:** Monday, November 22, 2021

*Reference No. 45/52*

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**CLOSED SESSION via Microsoft Teams at 5:03 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Vice-Chair: Councillor Andrew Foulds

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Bill Mauro  
Councillor Albert Aiello  
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng  
Councillor Brian Hamilton  
Councillor Peng You

**OFFICIALS:**

Krista Power, City Clerk

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Norm Gale, City Manager  
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor  
Linda Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services  
& Long Term Care & City Treasurer

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councillor Mark Bentz  
Councillor Andrew Foulds  
Councillor Cody Fraser  
Councillor Trevor Giertuga  
Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
Councillor Brian McKinnon  
Councillor Kristen Oliver  
Councillor Aldo Ruberto

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

**REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

**Human Resources Matter (ATU)**

Director - Human Resources & Corporate Safety Karie Ortgiese, Manager - Labour Relations Terry O'Neill and Supervisor - Transit Operations Pascal Gauvreau entered the meeting.

2021CLS.040 (City Manager's Office - Human Resources & Corporate Safety) relative to the above noted was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager - Corporate Services & Long Term Care and Director - Human Resources & Corporate Safety only on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Terry O'Neill provided an overview and responded to questions.

City Manager Norm Gale responded to questions.

Karie Ortgiese and Pascal Gauvreau responded to questions.

General Manager - Corporate Services & Long Term Care Linda Evans responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report 2021CLS.040 (City Manager's Office – Human Resources & Corporate Safety) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

Karie Ortgiese, Terry O'Neill and Pascal Gauvreau left the meeting.

#### **Contract Related Matter (Lakehead University)**

General Manager - Community Services Kelly Robertson, Director - Recreation & Culture Leah Prentice, Supervisor - Sport & Community Development Paul Burke entered the meeting.

Report 2021CLS.038 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) relative to the above noted was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager - Corporate Services & Long Term Care and General Manager - Community Services only on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Paul Burke responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report 2021CLS.038 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

Leah Prentice and Paul Burke left the meeting.

**Administrative Update: Expression of Interest Proposed Multi-use Indoor Sports Facility**

Deputy City Solicitor Cynthia Cline, Supervisor - Supply Management Allan Hensel and Law Clerk & Land Development Specialist Deanna Walker entered the meeting.

Report 2021CLS.039 (Community Services) relative to the above noted was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager - Corporate Services & Long Term Care and General Manager - Community Services only on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Cynthia Cline provided introductory remarks and responded to questions.

City Manager Norm Gale, City Solicitor Patty Robinet and Kelly Robertson responded to questions.

**OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:42 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Administrative Services Session

Chair: Councillor Mark Bentz

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Bill Mauro  
Councillor Albert Aiello  
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng  
Councillor Brian Hamilton  
Councillor Peng You

**OFFICIALS:**

Krista Power, City Clerk  
Katie Piche, Council & Committee Clerk

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councillor Mark Bentz  
Councillor Andrew Foulds  
Councillor Cody Fraser  
Councillor Trevor Giertuga  
Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
Councillor Brian McKinnon  
Councillor Kristen Oliver  
Councillor Aldo Ruberto

Norm Gale, City Manager  
Patty Robinet, City Solicitor  
Linda Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services  
& Long Term Care & City Treasurer  
Kerri Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure &  
Operations  
Kelly Robertson, General Manager – Community  
Services  
Karen Lewis, General Manager – Development &  
Emergency Services  
Karie Ortgiese, Director – Human Resources &  
Corporate Safety  
Kayla Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations  
Jack Avella, Manager – Corporate Information  
Technology

***DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST***

***CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA***

Confirmation of Agenda - November 22, 2021 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

WITH RESPECT to the November 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

***ITEMS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION***

**Human Resources Matter (ATU)**

Report 2021CLS.040 (City Manager's Office - Human Resources & Corporate Safety) was previously presented at Committee of the Whole - Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

The 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 Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to Report 2021CLS.040 (City Manager's Office - Human Resources & Corporate Safety) we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

**Contract Related Matter (Lakehead University)**

2021CLS.038 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) relative to the above noted was previously presented in Committee of the Whole - Closed Session held earlier this evening.

The 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 Trevor Giertuga  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

WITH RESPECT to Report 2021CLS.038 (Community Services – Recreation & Culture) we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

### ***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND OUTSIDE AGENCIES***

#### **Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 05-2021 and 06-2021 of the Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee held on May 31, 2021 and August 11, 2021, respectively, for information.

#### **Crime Prevention Council Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 03-2021 of the Crime Prevention Council held on June 16, 2021, for information.

#### **Official Recognition Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 04-2021 of the Official Recognition Committee Citizens of Exceptional Achievement held on June 15, 2021, for information.

#### **Police Services Board Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 17-2021 of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board held on September 21, 2021, for information.

### ***REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS***

#### **Uncollectible Accounts**

Report R 136/2021 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Revenue) seeking approval to write off uncollectible accounts which remain unpaid on the 2021 General Accounts Receivable files.

Confidential Memorandum from Manager – Billings and Collections Chantal Harris, dated November 9, 2021 relative to the above noted, for information was distributed separately to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and General Manager – Corporate Services & Long Term Care only on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 136/2021 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Revenue), we recommend that the uncollectible accounts, which remain unpaid on the 2021 receivable files, be written off as follows:

General Accounts (including interest) \$ 8,820.45  
Municipal Child Care \$ 389.38

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

CARRIED

### **Administrative Update: Expression of Interest Proposed Multi-Use Indoor Sports Facility**

At the May 17, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, a resolution was passed recommending that Administration begin an Expression of Interest Process to invite proposals from the private sector and other interested organizations for the Multi-Use Indoor Sports Facility and that Administration report back on the status of this process by June 14, 2021.

At the June 14, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, Report R 85/2021 (Community Services) was presented recommending that Administration administer an Expression of Interest inviting proposals from the private sector and other interested organizations for a Multi-Use Indoor Sports Facility and that Administration report back on the status and outcome of the Expression of Interest by November 30, 2021.

Report R 151/2021 (Community Services) providing Council with information regarding the results of the Expression of Interest (EOI – 02-2021) for a Proposed Multi-Use Indoor Sports Facility, for information.

### ***FIRST REPORTS***

#### **Corporate Digital Strategy**

This report is being introduced as a 'first report' to allow Committee of the Whole and the general public time to consider the implications of the report before the following recommendations are considered by Committee of the Whole on December 20, 2021.

Report R 160/2021 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Corporate Information Technology) endorsing the Corporate Digital Strategy as outlined in Attachment A to guide future direction and investment in information technology, digital transformation and modernization of service delivery.

Memorandum from Manager - Corporate Information Technology Jack Avella, dated November 8, 2021 requesting to appear before Committee to provide a presentation relative to the above noted.

President - Perry Group Consulting Ltd. Ben Perry appeared via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

**Receive Report R 160/2021 as a First Report**

Recommendation to receive R 160/2021 as a First Report:

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to Report R 160/2021 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Corporate Information Technology) we recommend that the Report be received;

AND THAT Report R 160/2021 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Corporate Information Technology) be presented at the December 20, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting for consideration.

CARRIED

***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

**Request to TBDSSAB**

Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver, dated November 10, 2021, containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver dated November 19, 2021 relative to request to TBDSSAB – 230 West Amelia Street we recommend that the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee review and discuss the potential for advocacy relative to potential changes to *The Landlord and Tenant Act* in order to assist with firmer eviction practices for the safety of residents in Thunder Bay and across Ontario;

AND THAT the CEO and Chair of TBDSSAB be invited to attend and/or present at a Committee of the Whole meeting and/or an Inter-Governmental Affairs meeting on how City Council may assist with the challenges that residents in TBDSSAB buildings and in other facilities are currently facing;

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

**Amendment - Request to TBDSSAB**

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to the recommendation as contained in the Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver relative to Request to TBDSSAB – 230 West Amelia Street, we recommend that the following be added after the first paragraph:

“AND THAT City Manager Norm Gale be directed to connect with CEO - TBDSSAB William Bradica relative to the position papers and relevant information that may benefit from further advocacy.”

CARRIED

**Amended - Request to TBDSSAB**

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver dated November 19, 2021 relative to request to TBDSSAB – 230 West Amelia Street we recommend that the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee review and discuss the potential for advocacy relative to potential changes to *The Landlord and Tenant Act* in order to assist with firmer eviction practices for the safety of residents in Thunder Bay and across Ontario;

AND THAT City Manager Norm Gale be directed to connect with CEO - TBDSSAB William Bradica relative to the position papers and relevant information that may benefit from further advocacy;

AND THAT the CEO and Chair of TBDSSAB be invited to attend and/or present at a Committee of the Whole meeting and/or an Inter-Governmental Affairs meeting on how City Council may assist with the challenges that residents in TBDSSAB buildings and in other facilities are currently facing;

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

It was requested that each paragraph of the amended resolution relative to Request to TBDSSAB be voted on separately.



**Request to TBDSSAB - Paragraph 1**

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

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LOST

**Request to TBDSSAB - Paragraph 2**

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

AND THAT City Manager Norm Gale be directed to connect with CEO - TBDSSAB William Bradica relative to the position papers and relevant information that may benefit from further advocacy.

CARRIED

**Request to TBDSSAB - Paragraph 3 & 4**

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

AND THAT the CEO and Chair of TBDSSAB be invited to attend and/or present at a Committee of the Whole meeting and/or an Inter-Governmental Affairs meeting on how City Council may assist with the challenges that residents in TBDSSAB buildings and in other facilities are currently facing;

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

CARRIED

**Final Amended - Request to TBDSSAB**

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver dated November 19, 2021 relative to Request to TBDSSAB – 230 West Amelia Street, we recommend that City Manager Norm Gale be directed to connect with CEO – TBDSSAB William Bradica relative to the position papers and relevant information that may benefit from further advocacy;

AND THAT the CEO and Chair of TBDSSAB be invited to attend and/or present at a Committee of the Whole meeting and/or an Inter-Governmental Affairs meeting on how City Council may assist with the challenges that residents in TBDSSAB buildings and in other facilities are currently facing;

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

CARRIED

**Donald Street Establishment of One-Way Traffic**

Memorandum from Traffic Technologist - Engineering & Operations David Binch, dated November 12, 2021 relative to the above noted, for information.

**Motion to Request Funding**

Memorandum from Councillor Aldo Ruberto containing a motion relative to the above noted was withdrawn from the agenda as a result of new information.

***OUTSTANDING ITEMS***

**Outstanding List for Administrative Services as of November 9, 2021**

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated November 9, 2021 providing the Administrative Services Outstanding Items List, for information.

***NEW BUSINESS***

**Establishment of Closed Session – December 6, 2021**

The following resolution will be presented to Committee of the Whole for consideration:

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, December 6, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. in order to receive information relative to the security of the property of the municipality or local board; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and 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

***ADJOURNMENT***

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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**MEETING DATE** 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SUBJECT** Ward Meeting Minutes

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***SUMMARY***

The Minutes of the following Ward Meetings to be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on June 2, 2021.
2. Meeting 03-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on September 28, 2021.
3. Meeting 01-2021 of the Neebing Ward held on April 22, 2021.

***RECOMMENDATION***

THAT the Minutes of the following Ward Meetings be received:

1. Meeting 02-2021 of the McIntyre Ward held on June 2, 2021;
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***ATTACHMENTS***

- 1 McIntyre Ward Minutes June 2 2021
- 2 McIntyre Ward Minutes Sept 28 2021
- 3 Neebing Ward Minutes April 22 2021

**DATE:** WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021**MEETING NO. 02-2021****TIME:** 7:00 P.M.**PLACE:** S.H. BLAKE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM (VIA MS Teams)**CHAIR:** COUNCILLOR ALBERT AIELLO

Members of the public were invited to participate via phone call, email submission and viewed the meeting on Shaw Spotlight Ch10 or on BlueCurve Ch105, Tbaytel TV Channel 110 or online at [thunderbay.ca/watchcouncil](http://thunderbay.ca/watchcouncil).

**RESOURCE PERSON:**

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer – Infrastructure & Operation

Mr. D. Vincent, Manager, Licensing & Enforcement – Development & Emergency Services

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

Ms. F. Track, Council & Committee Clerk – Office of the City Clerk

**1. WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS**

The Chair, Councillor A. Aiello introduced members of Administration and welcomed those to the virtual meeting.

The following information was provided:

Effective today, June 2, the province has ended the stay at home order; however, we do remain in the Shutdown Zone of the Reopening Framework. The government has announced a new re-opening plan called the Roadmap to Reopen. It is a three-step plan to safely and cautiously reopen the province and gradually lift public health measures. They are anticipating entering Step 1 of that plan the week of June 14 and will confirm closer to the date.

The Thunder Bay District Health Unit is the main contact for any questions relating to the pandemic. Their website – [www.tbdhu.com](http://www.tbdhu.com) – has resources for the general public regarding vaccination clinics, testing, symptoms, how to protect yourself, your family and your community and how to stop the spread. If you have questions about anything COVID-19 related, I encourage you to visit the health unit's website or call the health unit at 625-5900 or toll free 1-888-294-6630.

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of Meeting No. 01-2021, of the McIntyre Ward held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 were provided for information.

The Chair provided an overview relative to the above noted.

### 3. INFRASTRUCTURE & OPERATIONS

#### 3.1. Road Resurfacing Update – Hutton Park & John Street Road

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided an update relative to the above noted.

The following information was provided:

Resurfacing work and drainage improvements have started this week on Hutton Park Drive. The work will take 4 – 6 weeks.

Resurfacing work on John Street Road, which will extend from Valley Street to Sunflower, will take place July to August and consist of milling and paving. A portion of the shoulder will also be paved west of Chercover Drive where there is currently a gap in the sidewalk.

Currently work is being done to coordinate the installation of services to developments along John Street Road. This work will take place prior to the above noted resurfacing work on John Street Road.

The Chair received the following questions relative to the above noted via email from citizens prior to the meeting:

1. Will improvements be made to: the surface on the Hutton Park and Belrose extensions?  
Currently the surface deteriorates rapidly and the current grading schedule does not keep the road conditions safe; and will street lighting be installed between Belrose and Valley, no sidewalk exists and pedestrians walk on the road?

The Chair provided the following response:

Belrose Road was not a suitable road for paving as the water issues were not dealt with properly prior to paving. The pavement should be milled and returned to a gravel road to provide stability for the people living there which would result in lower maintenance costs. The cost to remediate the base layer and repave Belrose would be a substantial cost.

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided the following information:

A checklist is used to prioritize surface improvements on rural roads. Some of the factors considered are: roads that have minimal underlying base issues, roads requiring minimal drainage remediation such as culverts or ditching, and traffic volumes.

The current annual budget for these works is \$150K, which represents approximately 1.5 Km of gravel road converted per year. From a maintenance perspective it is cheaper to leave gravel in place and not convert to pavement.

Current priorities are to continue chip seal on Melbourne Road for the next few years, a longer rural road with slightly higher traffic volumes than some of the other arterials in McIntyre Ward, having less drainage and base issues.

Priorities will continue to be assessed and established on other roads in the area for chip sealing, drainage improvements, base improvements and resurfacing.

2. Given the high volume of pedestrians navigating a roadway shoulder from Belrose to Valley Street where sidewalks are absent and risk related concerns after dark are intensified by weather and other factors in the absence of good street lighting and lines along the roadway, will additional lighting and painted lines be provided?

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided the following information:

Vehicle lighting on John Street Road is currently placed on existing hydro poles, which is the standard spacing for the area, there is no need for intermediate pedestrian lighting at this time. The lighting we provide in the area is vehicle lighting, typically pedestrian lighting is geared more towards the down town core areas where higher pedestrian user levels occur. Street lighting across the City will continue to be upgraded to LED lighting as part of the City's program to convert to LED.

With respect to the painted lines along Valley Street, Administration will be advised of the concern.

### 3.2. ROAD MAINTENANCE

The Chair received the following questions relative to the above noted via email from citizens prior to the meeting:

1. I am a resident of Sherwood Drive and draw attention toward the resurfacing of the road. This road has a city bus route and the condition of the road is in very bad condition. When is the work scheduled to start?

The Chair provided the following response:

Sherwood Drive along with other roads are requiring maintenance and priorities are set utilizing a ranking system. The Python 2000 has recently filled the main potholes in the middle Sherwood Drive. Administration has advised that a firm timeline has not been set. Further budget review is currently underway and this location is one of many McIntyre priorities for 2022 being considered.

2. When are we getting chip seal on Community Hall Road and Granite Road?

The Chair provided the following response:

As both are old logging roads the road base would require replacing and proper drainage be installed prior to chip and sealing. The cost to chip and seal Community Hall Road would be higher than \$650,000, and Government Road would cost more than \$550,000. Paving or chip and sealing without proper preparation would cause the roads to continue to deteriorate. The reason this work has not been completed is based on the cost. Administration continues to research new cost effective products. It has been suggested that Granite Road, being a smaller road, be considered for a pilot project when testing more cost effective products.

3. Who pays for chip and seal, and how does the City determine which roads are chip and sealed on an annual basis?

The Chair provided the following response:

Constituents living on gravel roads contribute greatly to the tax base, and they are asking for their roads to be fixed. The cost to chip and seal approximately one and a half kilometers of road is \$150,000, which does not include any additional work or additional materials required to prepare a road. Major investment in gravel roads needs to happen in order to get them chip and sealed. The City is constantly exploring funding opportunities that will assist with these projects. Councillor Giertuga has been trying for years to get the chip and seal budget increased, and we will continue to try to do that.

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided the following information:

To determine which roads are chip and sealed annually the following is considered, roads having no base, drainage or maintenance issues.

4. Calcium chloride is applied to gravel roads – what is the impact to the environment and well water?

The Chair provided the following response:

Typically calcium chloride is applied once a year. This year calcium chloride will be applied twice to 4 roads, Government Road, Alice Avenue, Community Hall Road and Granite Road.

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided the following information:

The application of calcium chloride is limited to one application per year and is based on rate of application (litres/sq. m) as per MTO specification. The application is done when weather conditions are favourable, no rain events a few days prior to or a few days after



application. This allows the application to soak into the roadway base and prevents material from running off the roadway surface.

Roads that receive calcium chloride are gravel roads which do not receive salt application during the winter seasons, which is another form of calcium chloride. Calcium chloride is applied once per year to the bulk of the gravel roadways in the City, with the exception starting in 2021 for a few gravel roads that will receive two application per year.

### 3.3. Roundabout – Edward Street and Redwood Avenue

The Chair received the following question relative to the above noted via email from citizens prior to the meeting:

1. What is the reason for building a roundabout at the intersection of Edward and Redwood?

The Chair provided the following response:

There were traffic, pedestrian and business studies completed and it was determined to be the best location for the city's first roundabout.

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided the following information:

All intersections are studied extensively prior to installation/rehabilitation or improvements. This location was determined to be suitable for a roundabout as it provided the space required. Furthermore, research also determined it to be the best location for the first roundabout based on safety standards for vehicles and pedestrians and best practices across the world, Europe, North America and Waterloo, Ontario. Operating and maintenance costs are also less than conventional intersections, providing annual cost savings for the city.

### 3.4. Traffic Lights

The Chair received the following question relative to the above noted via email from citizens prior to the meeting:

1. Will the city synchronize traffic lights and switch to flashing red lights during late night and early morning hours?

Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer provided the following response:

The City of Thunder Bay did investigate switching signals to flash mode during the night operation but determined that it is not the best course of action for our community. The city does not operate traffic signals in flash mode during quieter hours of the day for the following reason. Placing the signals in flash mode was a common occurrence over 40

years ago, however technology has changed which influences the signal operation. The traffic signals of the past operated on set times and switched directions no matter if vehicles were present or waiting. Currently the city uses roadway sensors to detect if vehicles are present and will switch to the lane cars are present in. This allows the lanes on the main section of roadway to remain “green” for the majority of traffic until a vehicle on a side street approaches. The goal is that the most amount of vehicles will not have to stop and accelerate once again while traveling along a main corridor. From this, the least amount of vehicles on the side streets may have to wait a short period for the signals to change before entering. This also allows vehicles on the main section of roadway to continue without unnecessary stops and saves driving time for those vehicles.

The City of Thunder Bay is currently planning to synchronize the traffic lights as stated in the Transportation Master Plan and by requests by council members. A requirement of the ability to synchronize traffic signals is the installation of updated controllers and a reliable communication network. Our goal is to complete this project once we have the new technology in place.

### 3.5. Paving – John Street Road from Mapleward Road to Townline Road

The Chair received the following question relative to the above noted via email from citizens during the meeting:

1. Are there any plans for paving the shoulder or resurfacing, it is a busy road with a lot of cyclists and bit quite challenging when walking or cycling as a family?

The Chair provided the following response:

John Street Road is a busy road without a paved shoulder, there is a lot of traffic travelling to the City of Thunder Bays Waste & Recycling Facility via John Street Road. This would need to be looked at with respect to the City’s asset management plan. For 2022 a resurfacing schedule has not been determined. Administration determines which roads are ready to be resurfaced based on asset management criteria, for example: when was it last resurfaced, or is it at end of life?

## 4. COUNTY FAIR MALL DEVELOPMENT – TRUCK PARKING

The Chair provided an overview relative to the above noted.

The following information was provided:

The County Fair Mall area has been very busy, there is new development underway. The planned development includes a bank, gas station, convenience store and a restaurant, very positive development for the McIntyre Ward and our community as a whole. There are long standing issues with transports, not only travelling on Dawson Road, but also overnighing in the County Fair Mall parking lot. There are a number of residents living

near the mall that are being affected by the constant running of these vehicles, for air conditioning or heating inside the transports, causing noise and air pollution for the residents in the area. A motion will be presented on Monday to impose weight restrictions to East Avenue. Mr. D. Vincent, Manager – Licensing & Enforcement has been instrumental in helping draft the motion, which will give the city the power to restrict the weight of vehicles travelling on East Avenue and, issue tickets to the transport drivers travelling on East Avenue. East Avenue is the main entrance used by transports to get into the County Fair Mall Plaza/parking lot, which is private property. The City of Thunder Bay has limited authority on private property. Mr. D. Vincent and the owners of County Fair Plaza have been working together to find a solution.

Mr. D. Vincent, Manager – Licensing & Enforcement appeared electronically via MS Teams and provided the following information relative to the above noted.

The owners of County Fair Mall are not in violation of any By-laws. There is currently not a means in place for the City of Thunder to restrict parking of transport trucks on private property. The owners of the property have used their own money to post “No Parking” signs, at the request of the City of Thunder Bay, which includes the City of Thunder Bay’s parking By-law in an attempt to dissuade transports from parking there. Because the property is private, the City of Thunder Bay has no authority to enforce the By-law unless the property owners request it, and the City of Thunder Bay is willing to spend monies to do that. The City of Thunder Bay has tried to enforce this in the past, it was an overnight parking project. The fine for overnight parking is the same for any vehicle, it is not more expensive for transport trucks. The City of Thunder Bay’s parking By-law was listed on the sign so that the owners of the mall could hire their own private security staff and the security staff could be delegated by the City of Thunder Bay to enforce and issue tickets under the By-law, which has the force of law behind it under the Provincial Offences Act. The owner of the ticketed vehicle will be tagged by the MTO if tickets are not paid, forcing payment of unpaid fines before updated vehicle tags are issued. Revenues generated through ticketing on private property are given to the City of Thunder Bay not the private property owner.

The East Avenue load restriction motion, if passed, would provide Police Officers the authority to write tickets under the Highway Traffic Act for disobeying a sign, providing a strong deterrent for transport traffic on East Avenue. When a ticket is issued the transport owner is penalized under the commercial vehicles operator’s license, infractions such as these can impact their ability to maintain/obtain this license and prevent business operations. By-law Officers would not be responsible for issuing tickets.

Internally, Parking Authority Staff has been tasked with amending the City of Thunder Bay’s Parking By-law. The recommended amendments include increased fines for parking violations, currently \$35, increasing to \$350 - \$500 fine. The Ontario Courts must approve the increase, and based on approval granted in other Ontario Municipalities experiencing similar issues, approval was granted for fines up to \$800.

Additionally, work is being done to ensure the driver of the vehicle will also be penalized and held accountable for parking illegally. Work is being undertaken at the expense of the property owners to prevent transports from accessing the back area of County Fair Mall.

The Chair thanked administration for attending and responding to questions.

5. WARD AND CITY ISSUES

The Chair received the following questions via email from citizens:

5.1. Spring Garbage Clean up – Valley Park

1. Is it possible to get the area around Valley Park cleaned up?

The Chair provided the following for information.

Due to COVID annual spring cleaning events were not scheduled, but residents in some areas have cleaned up garbage in their area. Rescheduling of any clean up events will be based on the governments re-opening plans and consider gathering restrictions. Administration will be advised of the garbage in the Valley Park area.

5.2. Multi Use Indoor Sports Facility

1. Why is the Indoor Sports Facility still on the table for discussion? What about priorities for individuals and businesses negatively impacted by the COVID 19 pandemic, and poor conditions of our roads, for example?

The Chair provided the following response:

The Multi Use Indoor Sports Facility is still being considered because it was a decision of Council to build a sports facility, what that will look like is still being considered. A non-business meeting was recently held to discuss different options, and further discussion and decisions will be made in the future.

COVID has caused a lot of hardships for individuals and businesses, restrictions have been put in place by the province and our local public health authorities to protect us. Thanks to the diligence of business owners and citizens alike, the case numbers in our area have remained low in comparison to other areas, and the Mayor has been advocating for regional re-openings. This has definitely been a tough time for everyone, please continue to support local businesses, each other, and follow the guidance provided by the public health authority. The City of Thunder Bay has a relatively small tax base and we hope that local businesses are able to tap into revenue sources the Government has provided to keep their doors open, and remain in this community.

With respect to roads, there has been a lot of discussion this evening about how priorities are assessed and determine what work will be done. There is an annual spending deficit for infrastructure of approximately \$20 Million, Council is doing its best to increase this budget so that the City's infrastructure is improved. The City of Thunder Bay is not alone, other municipalities are also trying to find sustainable ways to manage aging infrastructure through asset management planning.

### 5.3. Attracting New Business

1. What is The City of Thunder Bay doing to bring in new businesses and increase the tax base?

The Chair provided the following response:

The City of Thunder Bay has experienced a declining population for a number of years relating to the closure of some key industries. The City of Thunder Bay has so much to offer, a lot of open land, space for development, central location and is a great place to raise a family. A larger industrial tax base would alleviate the tax burden on the residential tax base in The City of Thunder Bay. The Municipal Act does not allow tax or utility incentives to attract new business or industry. The Community Economic Development Commission (CEDC) is tasked with developing incentives and finding ways to attract new business. The CEDC also promotes tourism, provides access to supports and funding, and works with potential developers and community partners.

### 5.4. Waste & Recycling

1. Why are land owners required to pay for garbage removal within their taxes for properties where there is no dwelling? Why not eliminate garbage tax and go to a complete garbage tag system, where garbage tags are purchased when needed, collection is requested when needed, and increase the number of bags allowed for pick up to 3?

The Chair provided the following response:

The City of Thunder Bay has a By-law that does not allow the placement of garbage for pickup on a vacant lot. Tax is collected for garbage, school and emergency services on vacant properties, as a whole everyone pays for these services through their taxes whether it is used or not. The City of Thunder Bay reduced the allowable bag limit for garbage to 2 per household to promote recycling and help reduce waste going into the landfill by approximately 15 to 20 percent, continuing to do so will result in long term savings in regards to any future expansion of the landfill site. Recycling opportunities have expanded as additional classifications of recyclables have been included in our recycling service.

### 5.5. Council Composition

1. The City of Thunder Bay with a population of approximately 108,000 has 13 members of Council, Kingston has a population of approximately 176,000 and 12 members of Council, why does our city require so many Councillor's given the size of our population?

The Chair provided the following response:

A motion has been provided by Councillor Peng You for Council to consider at Committee of the Whole on Monday evening relating to Council composition and having a question on the ballot at election time.

Presently Thunder Bay City Council is a hybrid of both the Ward and the At Large System. This hybrid Council was formed when Fort William and Port Arthur amalgamated to insure fair representation. There is benefit for both systems, a Ward System allows familiarity with respect to the issues or needs of a specific area, and the At Large System with reduced Council representatives could provide efficiencies with respect to time lines and business at hand.

There is a process that has to be followed with respect to changing the composition of Council and it requires public consultation. Administration has been directed to undertake this work but due to the pandemic and related time constraints the 2022 Municipal Election will happen utilizing the current hybrid model. Administration will provide a recommendation to Council based on the feedback they receive during upcoming public consultation on this matter.

#### 5.6. Virtual Ward Meetings

1. Why don't Virtual Ward Meetings include an online chat component, additionally aside from the Chronicle Journal where are upcoming Ward and Town Hall meetings advertised?

The Chair provided the following response:

Ward and Town Hall meetings are promoted in the Chronicle Journal, social media platforms such as Facebook, the City of Thunder Bay's Event Calendar located on the city's website and local radio stations also.

During the course of the pandemic it has been very difficult to meet in person, forcing us to explore other public engagement opportunities, such as virtual meetings. The technology is not new, and we are becoming accustomed to using it, but facilitating a live chat feature during a Virtual Ward or Town Hall meeting would require considerable resources.

#### 5.7. Curbside Water Valves

The Chair provided information relative to the above noted:

Citizens have reached out advising that curbside water valves are sticking out of the ground creating a trip hazard. Please contact the City of Thunder Bay's Central Dispatch at

625-2195 or email [albert.aiello@thunderbay.ca](mailto:albert.aiello@thunderbay.ca) to report this or other hazards in the community. City staff will come by to assess and mark with a safety cone until work can be scheduled.

#### 5.8. Trees on City Boulevards

The Chair received the following question via email prior to the meeting:

1. Can I cut a tree on a City boulevard?

The Chair provided the following response:

If you have a concern with tree branches or plantings located on the City of Thunder Bay property please contact the City of Thunder Bay's Central Dispatch at 625-2195, they will forward your concern to the Arborist to respond.

#### 5.9. Eye on the Street

The Chair provided an overview relative to the above noted.

Administration will be presenting a report to Committee of the Whole on Monday relative to the expansion and upgrade of the existing camera system, which consists of approximately 20 cameras located mainly in the downtown cores. The City has changed a lot since the system was originally installed and as such 40 sites have been identified. This project will be funded through the budget and contributions obtained by the Thunder Bay Police Board, Gangs and Guns funding. The cost of the project is around \$400K.

#### 5.10. Rat Control & Prevention

The Chair provided information relative to the above noted.

Information and resources relative to the above noted can be found on The City of Thunder Bay's website at [www.thunderbay.ca/en/city-services/rat-control-and-prevention](http://www.thunderbay.ca/en/city-services/rat-control-and-prevention) or by contacting the Thunder Bay District Health Unit's Public Health Inspector at 807-625-6900, toll free 1-888-294-6630.

### 6. ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING REMARKS

The Chair thanked Administration and members of the public for participating.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

**DATE:** TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**MEETING NO. 03-2021****TIME:** 7:01 P.M.**PLACE:** S.H. BLAKE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM (VIA MS Teams)**CHAIR:** COUNCILLOR ALBERT AIELLO

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**RESOURCE PERSONS:**

Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk

Doug Vincent, Manager – Licensing & Enforcement

Acting Sergeant Sal Carchidi, Thunder Bay Police Service

Staff Sergeant Ron Maki, Thunder Bay Police Service

Lee Sieswerda, Manager of Environmental Health Programs – Thunder Bay District Health Unit

Gordon Stover, Committee & Meeting Management System Coordinator

**1.0 WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS**

The Chair, Councillor Albert Aiello welcomed members of Administration and all those viewing the virtual meeting.

The following information was provided for viewers: The Thunder Bay District Health Unit is the main contact for any questions relating to COVID-19. Their website – [www.tbdhu.com](http://www.tbdhu.com) – has resources for the general public regarding testing, symptoms, how to protect oneself, one's family and the community, and how to stop the spread. If citizens have questions about anything COVID-19 related, they are encouraged to visit the health unit's website or call the health unit at 807-625-5900 or toll free at 1-888-294-6630.

**2.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of Meeting No. 02-2021, of the McIntyre Ward held on Tuesday, June 2, 2021 were provided for information.

The Chair provided an overview relative to the above noted.

**3.0 EAST AVENUE TRUCK TRAFFIC ISSUE**

The Chair introduced Acting Sergeant Sal Carchidi (Traffic Unit) and Manager – Licensing & Enforcement Doug Vincent and provided an overview relative to the above noted.



Commercial development is currently underway on the corner of the County Fair Mall parking lot adjacent to East Avenue.

Residents have expressed concerns relative to transport trucks making a right hand turn onto East Avenue from the Mall parking lot and having limited space to turn around back to Dawson Road/Hwy 102. The trucks often use connecting residential roads to turn around such as Market Street, Perth Crescent or County Boulevard which have created large traffic disruptions.

Also, a small sign has been installed heading down Dawson Road before East Avenue that states no access to County Fair Mall from East Avenue. However, transports are now turning onto Wardrobe Avenue prior to East Avenue and are parking at the side of Wardrobe Avenue to stop at Tim Hortons.

Acting Sergeant Sal Carchidi advised that the Highway Traffic Act prohibits any person from moving or parking a vehicle that could interfere with traffic. However, the police cannot enforce this section of the Act whenever there any municipal by-laws in place such as the no parking sign on East Avenue in front of Tim Hortons.

The best option to keep the trucks off East Avenue is to install the weight restriction sign on East Avenue as planned.

Another option could be to replace the “no access to County Fair Mall” sign with a “no left hand turn for commercial vehicles” sign on Dawson Road before East Avenue because many non-local truckers do not know what County Fair Mall is and just want to get to Tim Hortons.

Presently it is legal for transports to drive on residential streets as long as they follow the restrictions such as not carrying an oversize load or not being bound by any provincial permits. There are however, still exemptions to local traffic such as construction or delivery trucks.

Doug Vincent advised that the problem with just removing the “no parking” sign may open the area up to allow all traffic to park there and that would just increase the problem. This issue will be brought to the Parking Authority Board as discussions are already under-way with Legal Services to increase the no parking fines/tickets that may be more of a deterrent.

The Chair advised that he received a question asking when the City of Thunder Bay is going to put in the weight restriction sign. Doug Vincent advised that he is encouraging the weight restriction sign as an additional mechanism to help the problem and a report from Engineering and Licensing & Enforcement is expected to come back to Council in December 2021 for approval and if passed, it can be implemented and installed early 2022.

The Chair advised that he still receives numerous concerns regarding the excessive amount of transport trucks and the safety of the residents in the area of Dawson Road and inquires continue relative to the status of the designated truck route by-law.

The Chair advised that the designated truck route report was passed by Council but the by-law that governs the truck route has not been passed and still remains in a state of “limbo”. Deputy City Clerk Dana Earle advised that the by-law is back with Administration to bring another revised version to City Council for debate once again.

The Chair advised that he has received concerns relative to the excessive noise from the transports who often use their jake brakes to slow down, often occurring after midnight and what can be done to enforce this. Doug Vincent advised that jake breaks if installed correctly are a safety device that can be used by transport truck drivers. Complaints generally arise during night hours when by-law officers are not on duty to witness this, nor do by-law officers have the authority to stop moving vehicles. Most communities dealing with this noise related issue increase signage asking drivers to respect the noise by-laws and to refrain from using their jake breaks.

The Chair thanked Police for their traffic enforcement efforts in the Dawson Road area.

#### 4.0 COUNTY FAIR MALL – SOCIAL ISSUES

The Chair introduced Staff Sergeant Ron Maki – Thunder Bay Police Service, Manager of Environmental Health Programs Lee Sieswerda – Thunder Bay District Health Unit and provided an overview relative to the above noted.

The issue of homelessness at County Fair Mall has become a growing health and community safety concern during the recent summer months specifically at the former Sunny’s Gas Bar area with public intoxication, drug use and addiction issues, garbage build-up and makeshift homeless encampments. The situation cannot be resolved by one organization but will depend on collaboration between The City of Thunder Bay and numerous social service agencies.

Lee Sieswerda advised that the Sunny’s Gas Bar portion of the parking lot does not belong to the ownership of County Fair Mall, but another company that does not have the resources to clean and secure the area. As a result, the City of Thunder Bay has stepped in to be able to utilize its own process to clean up and secure the property in fairly short order.

Staff Sergeant Ron Maki advised that police have been addressing this issue for quite some time by working in partnership with the Thunder Bay District Health Unit, street outreach nurses, and Northwest Community Health Care. They are having success engaging with the individuals currently located on the property and getting them the help and assistance they need. This is a community social issue, as police can only enforce trespassing orders, and that does not solve the root problem. If a fence is installed, the problem will simply be moved to another area.

The Chair advised that he has received concerns from nearby businesses such as the Landmark Inn and the Valley Fresh Fruit Stand. The following questions were submitted by the Landmark Inn:

How long can you be negligent in paying City property taxes and still be the property owner? The Chair advised that a property owner can be negligent for 2 years before a tax sale or a process for a payment schedule is created with the City of Thunder Bay.

Is it common practice to send the nearby businesses tax bills for the arrears owed by derelict properties? The Chair advised he will follow-up with Administration. Administration advised that this is not how the taxes are collected.

Discussion was held relative to the potential environmental concerns of the former gas station with respect to a future property sale or developing a long-term solution.

The Chair advised that the City plans to install a temporary fence in the area. Doug Vincent advised that the necessary by-laws do support allowing a fence.

The Chair advised he will be following up with Administration regarding the pathway trees adjacent to the hotel and getting them cut and/or trimmed. Residents do not feel safe using the paths without a sightline.

Lee Sieswerda provided a brief overview on the cleanup and removal process of how the biohazard, garbage and dangerous material is being addressed. The City of Thunder Bay will be hiring a cleaning company prior to the fence being installed.

Questions were addressed to Thunder Bay Police regarding panhandling and violence amongst the individuals and how a citizen would or would not address these issues. Staff Sergeant Ron Maki advised that panhandling can be addressed under the Safe Streets Act. As a result of the individuals being located at the entrances and exits of the mall, they are dealing with a "captive audience" as the drivers stopped at a red light cannot leave. These are complaint based and the individuals can be charged and arrested. At this time, Thunder Bay police are trying to inform and educate the public to reconsider whether or not giving donations directly to these individuals are enabling them to continue to stay and live on the property. Donations instead can be given to the social organizations that help these individuals.

Staff Sergeant Ron Maki advised that if customers confront any problems in the parking lot, they should return to the mall for their own safety and call police immediately for assistance. The police should also be notified if the public is witnessing any violence in the area.

Staff Sergeant Ron Maki and Doug Vincent advised the Chair that installation of the fence is tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 1, 2021.

## 5.0 WARD AND CITY ISSUES

The Chair received the following questions via email and phone calls from citizens prior to and during the meeting:

### 1. Traffic Enforcement – Dawson Road

Email received from a citizen asking if Police can increase enforcement of vehicles coming down Dawson Road and turning on Sherwood Avenue and Masters Street to avoid the lights further down Dawson Road? There are signs indicating this is not allowed during certain hours. Unfortunately many of these drivers continue at high speeds down these residential streets.

Staff Sergeant R. Maki advised that both intersections have restrictions for certain periods of the day. As such, police can only enforce the restrictions during these times. Traffic officers have done several blitzes along that the stretch of Dawson Road especially after the speed change from 60-50 km as well as mounting a speed radar detector on more than one occasion.

### 2. Yard Maintenance By-law

Email received from a citizen asking what the bylaw is in regards to residents keeping their lawn including ditches clean and mowed.

Doug Vincent advised that anything hanging over the sidewalk from private property is enforced by a by-law relating to the obstruction of the flow of pedestrians or obstructing visibility of traffic on the corner of intersections. The by-law is enforced on a complaint basis and not actively patrolled. The City does not trim private trees, but a notice is provided to the property owner requiring them to trim the trees. A tree on City property will be maintained by City staff.

Residents are required to maintain the city property in front of their residence/business such as a flat boulevard, but may not be required to maintain all ditches as some slopes or steep grades are not safe and will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

### 2. Repaving of Dawson Road – Hunter to Dog Lake Road

Email received from a citizen asking when will there be repaving of Dawson Road from Hunter Road to Dog Lake Road?

The Chair advised that the question was forwarded to the City's Engineering & Operations Division. The response received is as follows:

Currently Dawson Road from Ada Avenue to Dog Lake Road is in The City of Thunder Bay' Budget forecast for 2022 and Ada Avenue to Hunter Road in 2023.

### 3. Silvertree Park (Tuscany Drive) – Play Equipment

Email received from a citizen asking when the play equipment at Silvertree Park on Tuscany Drive will be completed, by having equipment for kids of all ages. There is currently not enough equipment for the amount of children who utilize the park.

The Chair advised that the question was forwarded to the City's Parks & Open Spaces Division. The response received is as follows:

There are no immediate plans to increase the play equipment in the park at this time. When the structure comes to the end of its life the City of Thunder Bay will be doing a total redo to bring to accessible standards and look at increasing the activities and play opportunities. There are many playgrounds in the city that are older and in worse conditions, and they are higher on the priority list.

### 4. Potential Melbourne Road Quarry

The Chair has received numerous emails in the form of a petition sent to the Province of Ontario against a concrete company seeking to develop a quarry in the residential area of Melbourne Road. Residents are very much opposed to this development.

The Chair advised that there have not been any requests coming forward at this time from the concrete company to The City of Thunder Bay seeking any approval for permits, building or zoning changes. Public consultation would still be required as well prior to any approval by City Council.

### 5. Biking/Hiking Trail Connecting Trowbridge Falls Park to Balsam Street

Access to the trail at the Balsam Street entrance is a concern as cars are parked blocking the entrance despite the no parking signs. The Chair advised that vehicles can park on Maxwell Street. A parking lot is scheduled to be developed next year.

### 6. Point in Time Count

The Chair advised that the Point in Time count documenting the number of people experiencing homelessness in Thunder Bay will be made public on Saturday, October 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The report conducted by local social services will be used to help The City of Thunder Bay and local organizations better understand the homelessness situation in Thunder Bay and throughout the district, and to direct resources to assist those in need.

7. Grading of Government Road

Concerns were received via email relative to the condition of Government Road. The Chair is advised that the Roads Division responds very well to this issue. Although there is no weekly schedule for grading, the road is done regularly and after residents call and submit their concerns.

8. Oliver Road between Thunder Bay Expressway and Belrose Road

A question was received via phone call asking when this section of Oliver Road will be getting an upgrade. The Chair advised that he will forward the concern to the Engineering Division and respond via email to the resident and include the answer through the minutes of this meeting.

Following the meeting, Administration advised that this section of Oliver Road is not currently on Engineering's forecast for improvements but will be reviewed as part of the next budget process.

9. In-person council meetings.

The Chair advised that he prefers in person but due to the on-going pandemic, City Council is still using the current hybrid/online option with Councillors able to choose whether they wish to attend in person or join virtually from home. The city always monitors provincial regulations for latest developments.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING REMARKS

The Chair thanked members of the public for participating and members of Administration for attending.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

**DATE:** THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021**MEETING NO. 01-2021****TIME:** 7:01 P.M.**PLACE:** S. H. BLAKE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM (VIA MS TEAMS)**CHAIR:** COUNCILLOR CODY FRASER

Members of the public were invited to participate via phone call, email submission and viewed the meeting on Shaw Spotlight Ch10 or on BlueCurve Ch105, Tbaytel TV Channel 110 or online at [thunderbay.ca/watchcouncil](http://thunderbay.ca/watchcouncil).

**RESOURCE PERSONS**

Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk

Tina Larocque, Coordinator – Boards, Committees and Special Projects

**1.0 WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS**

The Chair, Councillor C. Fraser provided introductory comments, an overview of the agenda and welcomed those to the virtual meeting.

The following information was provided for viewers: The Thunder Bay District Health Unit is the main contact for any questions relating to COVID-19. Their website – [www.tbdhu.com](http://www.tbdhu.com) – has resources for the general public regarding testing, symptoms, how to protect oneself, one's family and the community, and how to stop the spread. If citizens have questions about anything COVID-19 related, they are encouraged to visit the health unit's website or call the health unit at 807-625-5900 or toll free at 1-888-294-6630.

The Chair acknowledged that prior to the meeting, emails and phone calls were received relative to copper pipe concerns and he noted that water pipe questions could be directed to Tony Santos, Manager – Compliance and Quality via email, [Tony.Santos@thunderbay.ca](mailto:Tony.Santos@thunderbay.ca) or by phoning 807-684-2160.

**2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of Meeting No. 03-2020 of the Neebing Ward held on Thursday, December 3, 2020 for information.

3.0 WARD & CITY ISSUES

The Chair received the following questions via email from citizens prior to and during the meeting:

**Question 1: Designated Truck Route – Arthur Street West**

I would like to know what is happening with either getting the big trucks off of W. Arthur St or a speed reduction on this street. We have been waiting long enough out here with no action being done.

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

The Chair advised that the work on this is in progress and they are focusing on solutions such as traffic calming measures, speed reduction and getting trucks off the road etc.

The Chair further advised he wants to ensure that it is done properly, and is hoping to have a plan in place by early summer and be able to move forward at that time.

**Question 2: Parking at the Tournament Centre**

I obtained the parking plans from the city from when the tournament centre was built and the plans say over 280 cars should fit in their lot.

Because of the way people park, I believe only 100 cars can currently fit. During hockey tournament weekends, the section of Mountain Rd. Is crowded with cars which becomes a visual issue for drivers on the road. Ticketing families for parking on the road is not the answer. The TC parking lot should be paved and lines painted so people know where to park in the supposed 284 spots.

With the new soccer facility there I'm not sure if the situation is better or worse as there haven't been any hockey tournament weekends with Covid but I'm wondering if there is anything the city can do to have the lot paved and parking spots clearly marked.

Response from Joel DePeuter, Manager Realty Services

The tournament centre land is owned by the City and is leased to/operated by others -the lease requires that the tenant keep the property and facilities in good repair -the lease does not obligate the tenant to pave parking areas that were originally not paved -staff will discuss with the tenant how the parking area may be managed to maximize capacity.



Response from Jonathan Paske, Supervisor – Parking Authority

Parking on Mountain Rd. in front of the arena, at the intersection of the highway, is a safety hazard and will continue to be enforced. Parking is permitted further down Mountain Rd., just past the Tournament Centre.

Response from Leah Prentice, Director – Recreation and Culture

The parking lot, and any potential renewal projects are the responsibility of the operator. They are responsible for the management and supervision of grounds and parking lot, all security in and about the Tournament Centre and all maintenance and repairs of the parking lots.

### **Question 3: Budget restraints during Covid-19**

Have you or do you know of anyone presently on council that has enacted any budgetary restraint taking concrete measures during these times of covid-19 impeded employment, social difficulties, uncertain futures rising day to day expenses and soaring housing prices?

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

The Chair advised that the City is a service provider and that is one of their priorities. To keep service levels high, the city did redeployment of staff when buildings are closed. Some of the ways that the City had seen a reduction in their budget was the travel budget was zero as no one was travelling, facility closures which meant that hydro and gas was cheaper due to lack of use of facilities, and less staff professional development that usually takes place. The Chair further advised that the Finance Department will be presenting their Q1 variance at Council on Monday and encouraged residents to watch council if you are concerned about the bottom line and how Covid-19 has affected the city.

### **Question 4: Proposed Indoor Turf Facility**

I would like to know Councillor Fraser's stand on the on-hold indoor turf facility proposal, and if you stand behind it how do you justify the decision to the people who are struggling with a heavy tax burden.

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

The Chair advised that he was in support of the previous rendition, but is not sure what the new rendition is. The Chair advised that a non-business meeting relative to the proposed indoor turf facility will be held on Thursday April 29, 2021 and they will be discussing next steps. The Chair further advised he could justify \$22.50 per median household a year, beginning in 2023, for a new indoor turf facility.

**Question 5: Proposed Indoor Turf Facility**

Why did you vote in favour of the Indoor Turf facility when there was no provincial funding in place?

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

The Chair advised that they came up with a very effective funding strategy from the start. Relatively just under half of the expense would be funded through reserve fund and MAT Tax and the rest through a very reasonable and long term debenture where \$ 22.50 per median household a year, beginning in 2023.

**Question 6: Road Maintenance 15<sup>th</sup> Side Road and Mountain Road**

On 15<sup>th</sup> Side Road and the corner of Mountain Road at the Outdoor Centre, the roads are deplorable. Why would you as a Councillor representing this area, be willing to commit \$42,000,000.00 of City tax funds which includes the gas tax refund reserve to an indoor soccer complex when roads in your area of responsibility are in this deplorable state. The gas tax money is there for road maintenance and to alter that purpose at the stroke of a pen is immoral. The issue of whether the residents of Thunder Bay want an indoor soccer field should be a Referendum question at the next election – what are your thoughts on this?

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

The Chair advised that the federal gas tax money is not for roads specifically, and that the gas tax money is used for infrastructure priorities of municipalities. City Council sets priorities for the municipality and in 2018 when we were elected, they decided that a priority of the municipality was the indoor turf facility and they applied for federal tax gas money for this project and therefore they did not change the purpose of those funds.

The Chair further advised that he does not agree with a referendum on this project. He advised that we work and live in democracy, where you elect a representative to represent you, making decisions on your behalf, and we as a municipality are under a 4 year cycle. If you don't agree with the decisions made by your representative, then you would not have to vote for them at the next election.

Response from Rick Harms, Project Engineer regarding the process of choosing roads for rehab work:

A capital budget is presented every year for road rehabilitation. Administration has advocated that funding levels of \$14M should be obtained to maintain roads at a condition level as identified by our asset management planning. When this level of funding comes up short, this means that a lesser km of streets get rehabilitated each year and the overall condition rating of

the road network ultimately gets lower.

Administration uses tools such as our pavement condition survey, coordination with other underground rehabilitations, road review inspections and other community and Council requests to develop an annual program and forecast to the limit of the budget allocation that takes in roadwork on arterial/collector routes as well as other local residential street improvements and using the various pavement rehabilitation strategies that are available to maintain the network.

**Question 7: Road Maintenance- Mountain Road and 15<sup>th</sup> Side Road**

Mountain Road and 15th Side road are in need of repair. When is this planned to happen? And a bonus would be a sidewalk or bike trail around the school and recreation centre area. The current “paved shoulder” is only on part of Mountain and it is in dangerous disrepair.

Response from Brad Adams, Manager – Roads:

Roads will assess the conditions of the paved shoulder that are along Mountain Road this summer and determine if additional asphalt padding work is required.

Response from Rick Harms, Project Engineer:

There is planned work to add water main and rehabilitate the pavement surface on Mountain road this spring in the area of the curve at the FWFN Reserve boundary.

Rehabilitation on the remaining sections of Mountain road need to be scheduled as part of the capital budget process. The City is currently reviewing new pavement management data from 2020 and undertaking road inspections to project this forecast. No schedule is available yet. Please be aware that the road shoulder width is limited by the current road base platform unless more extensive road reconstruct measures are taken.

Also the City’s Official Plan limits the creation of sidewalk /trail facilities in rural areas and this is not in the planning forecast.

**Question 8: New Police Station**

There has been mention of a new police station. I am not in favour. One board member said there were pails all around for leaking water. Fix the roof, you don’t need a new building. Build an addition, make do with what they have. How can you justify this?

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

The Chair advised that he has viewed pictures of the conditions of the Police Station and they are not good and that its building’s condition needs to be addressed. The Chair advised that they

don't have specific financial figures and the police board has not endorsed anything at this time, so nothing has been finalized. The Chair further advised that the health and safety of our members in uniform is very important, especially their mental health and therefore the very poor condition of this building needs to be addressed.

**Question 9: Transit Services at Events**

When Fort William Historical Park holds events such as concerts and after a certain hour the City Transit does not run and a person cannot get a bus to leave for home after the event. Can the Transit service be extended during those events? Who would be responsible to pay for this extra service if it becomes available; The City of Thunder Bay or Fort William Historical Park?

Response from Councillor C. Fraser:

For previous events at Fort William Historical Park, the park has contracted transit as a charter. It was their decision to no longer provide charter service. Transit recommends that any community events requiring transportation, contact transit to organize a charter for event participants.

**Question 10: Northwood Roundabout**

The Northward roundabout is a waste of time and money. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. It will cause confusion to Thunder Bay drivers. It is not a congested corner. Why would anyone think this is a good idea?

**Response from Councillor C. Fraser:**

The Chair advised that he trusts City Administration's recommendation for a roundabout as they are more educated in this area. This was a way of the future as there are many benefits by installing a roundabout such as eliminating the cost and maintenance of street lights, improved traffic flow, increased safety for motorists and pedestrians, pollution reduction, reduced fuel consumption and the drive across town becomes more efficient. Going forward they are looking forward to this option for many intersections as possible.

The Chair further advised that people may be confused at first and therefore the City will be providing education sessions on this and they will explain how to drive through a roundabout.

**6.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair thanked members of the public for participating and staff support for assisting with the virtual ward meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

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***SUBJECT***              BL 87/2021 - A By-law to Authorize the Borrowing Upon Serial  
Debentures

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***SUMMARY***

A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law. (Distributed Separately)

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Debentures

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***SUMMARY***

A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law. (Distributed Separately)

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## *Memorandum*

Corporate By-law Number BL 95/2021

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**TO:** Office of the City Clerk **FILE:**

**FROM:** Jody Kondrat, Supervisor  
Development & Emergency Services - Licensing & Enforcement

**DATE:** 11/25/2021

**SUBJECT:** BL 95/2021 - By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Municipal Enforcement Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay.

**MEETING DATE:** City Council - 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**By-law Description:** A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of officers.

**Authorization:** Report No. 2003.231 (Development Services) - Committee of the Whole - August 5, 2003

**By-law Explanation:** The purpose of this By-law is to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of officers.

**Schedules and Attachments:**

**Amended/Repealed By-law Number(s):**



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THUNDER BAY  
BY-LAW NUMBER BL 95/2021

A By-law to amend By-law 011-2007, being a By-law to Appoint Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (Development Services Department/Finance Department) to update the appointment of officers.

Recitals

1. By-law Number 192-2003, enacted and passed August 11, 2003, authorizes amendments to update the appointment of officers as appointed by By-law Number 011-2007.

ACCORDINGLY, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THUNDER BAY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Paragraph 6 is amended by adding the following names:

Nathanel Pyhtila

2. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

Enacted and passed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, A.D. 2021 as witnessed by the Seal of the Corporation and the hands of its proper Officers.

Bill Mauro

Mayor

Dana Earle

Deputy City Clerk

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**MEETING DATE** 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SUBJECT** By-law Resolution

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***SUMMARY***

By-law Resolution - December 6, 2021 - City Council

***RECOMMENDATION***

THAT the following By-laws be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$XX towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law.  
By-law Number: BL 87/2021
2. A By-law to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$XX towards the cost of certain capital works described in Schedule “A” to this by-law.  
  
By-law Number: BL 88/2021
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By-law Number: BL 95/2021



## *Memorandum*

Corporate By-law Number BL 83/2021

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**TO:** Office of the City Clerk **FILE:**

**FROM:** Linda Crago  
City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk

**DATE:** 11/03/2021

**SUBJECT:** BL 83/2021 - Confirming By-law - December 6, 2021.

**MEETING DATE:** City Council - 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**By-law Description:** A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 6th day of December, 2021.

**Authorization:** Committee of the Whole - 2003/02/24

**By-law Explanation:** To confirm the proceedings and each motion, resolution and other action passed or taken by the Council at this meeting is, except where prior approval of the Ontario Land Tribunal required, adopted, ratified and confirmed as if all such proceedings had been expressly embodied in this By-law.

**Schedules and Attachments:**

**Amended/Repealed By-law Number(s):**



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THUNDER BAY  
BY-LAW NUMBER BL 83/2021

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council,  
this 6th day of June, 2021.

Recitals

1. Subsection 5(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001 c. 25, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are exercised by its Council. Subsection 5(3) provides that those powers are to be exercised by by-law.
2. Council considers it appropriate to confirm and adopt its proceedings at this meeting by by-law.

ACCORDINGLY, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF  
THUNDER BAY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The actions of the Council at the following meeting:

6th day of December, 2021 OPEN SESSION, CITY COUNCIL MEETING

and each motion, resolution and other action passed or taken by the Council at that meeting is, except where prior approval of the Ontario Land Tribunal is required, adopted, ratified and confirmed as if all such proceedings had been expressly embodied in this By-law.

2. The Mayor and the proper officials of The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay are authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the actions of the Council referred to in Section 1 of this By-law. In addition, the Clerk is authorized and directed to affix the corporate seal to any documents which require it.
3. This By-law shall come into force on the date it is passed.

Enacted and passed this 6th day of December, A.D. 2021 as witnessed by the Seal of the Corporation and the hands of its proper Officers.

Bill Mauro

Mayor

Krista Power

City Clerk

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**MEETING DATE** 12/06/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SUBJECT** Confirming By-law Resolution - December 6, 2021- City Council

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***SUMMARY***

Confirming By-law Resolution - December 6, 2021 - City Council

***RECOMMENDATION***

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

By-law Number: BL 83/2021