

**MEETING:** Committee of the Whole

DATE: December 16, 2019 Reference No. COW 3/51

# CLOSED SESSION in the McNaughton Room at 6:03 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

PRESENT: OFFICIALS:

Mayor B. Mauro Ms. K. Power, City Clerk

Councillor M. Bentz Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

Councillor S. Ch'ng Mr. N. Gale, City Manager

Councillor A. Foulds

Councillor C. Fraser

Councillor T. Giertuga

Councillor B. Hamilton

Councillor B. McKinnon

Councillor K. Oliver

Councillor A. Ruberto

Councillor Peng You

#### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor M. Bentz declared a conflict relative to Thunder Bay Synergy North Board of Directors Recruitment (2) Appointments as he is a Board member.

#### REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

# **Labour Relations/Communications Matter**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager provided an overview relative to the above noted and responded to questions.

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk responded to questions.

## **Board Appointments**

Councillor M. Bentz declared a conflict relative to Thunder Bay Synergy North Board of Directors Recruitment (2) Appointments as he is a Board member.

Confidential memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk dated December 2, 2019 relative to the above noted.

Confidential memorandum from Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk dated December 13, 2019 relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, December 16, 2019.

It was consensus of Committee to proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolutions relative to the above noted will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

# OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:35 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Administrative Services Session

Chair: Councillor M. Bentz

#### PRESENT: OFFICIALS:

Mayor B. Mauro	Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Councillor M. Bentz	Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Councillor S. Ch'ng	Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services
Councillor A. Foulds	& Long Term Care
Councillor C. Fraser	Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure &
Councillor T. Giertuga	Operations
Councillor B. Hamilton	Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community
Councillor B. McKinnon	Services
Councillor K. Oliver	Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development &
Councillor A. Ruberto	Emergency Services
Councillor Peng You	Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic
	Services
	Ms. M. Panizza, Director - Human Resources and
	Corporate Safety
	Mr. M. Grimaldi, Solicitor

# DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor M. Bentz declared a conflict relative to Thunder Bay Synergy North Board of Directors Recruitment (2) Appointments as he is a Board member.

Mr. C. Halvorsen, Manager – Parks & Open Spaces

Mr. G. Stover, Committee Coordinator

#### **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Confirmation of Agenda - December 16, 2019 - Committee of the Whole

It was consensus of the Committee to change the order the order of the agenda to hear the Permission to allow deputation: Evergreen - A United Neighbourhood item following the City Council Code of Conduct - Procedural By-law deputation.

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

With respect to the December 16, 2019 Committee of the Whole, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

**CARRIED** 

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

### Motion - Update from Administration - Zoning By-law

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated December 6, 2019 requesting that City Council receive a short presentation from Administration relative to the updated Zoning By-law for the City of Thunder Bay.

Ms. L. McEachern, Director - Planning Services appeared before Committee, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

#### **DEPUTATIONS**

### City Council Code of Conduct - Procedural By-law

Deputation request from Mr. H. Wojak received on December 11, 2019 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the City Council Code of Conduct was distributed separately on Friday, December 13, 2019.

Mr. H. Wojak appeared before Committee provided an electronic presentation and responded to questions.

# Permission to allow deputation: Evergreen - A United Neighbourhood

Memorandum from Councillor S. Ch'ng, dated December 4, 2019 containing a motion recommending that Committee of the Whole waive Section 5.08 (c.2) of the Procedural By-law to allow for a deputation from Evergreen- A United Neighbourhood and a second motion recommending that funding of \$20,000 be committed to Evergreen within the 2020 Proposed Budget.

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

With respect to hearing a deputation from Evergreen- A United Neighbourhood, we recommend that City Council waive Section 5.08 (c.2) of the Procedural By-law to allow for a deputation notwithstanding the subject matter being subject to an existing funding program - Community & Cultural Funding Program

# Motion to consider providing additional funding to Evergreen for 2020

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

With respect to the decrease in funding to Evergreen as a result of the discontinued Community Social Reinvestment Program from TBDSSB, we recommend that funding of \$20,000 be committed to Evergreen within the 2020 Proposed Budget;

AND THAT these dollars be in addition to funding approved by the Community, Youth and Cultural Funding Program;

AND THAT the \$20,000 of funding be allocated from the stabilization reserve fund;

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

# Deferral Motion - Permission to allow deputation: Evergreen - A United Neighbourhood

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the Permission to allow deputation: Evergreen – A United Neighbourhood item, we recommend that the deputation and related motions to deferred to the 2020 City of Thunder Bay Budget meetings.

**CARRIED** 

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# **50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting No. 09-2019 of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee held on October 25, 2019, for information.

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

Minutes of Meeting No. 06-2019 of the Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee held on October 28, 2019, for information.

# **Community Communications Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meetings No. 03-2019 and No. 04-2019 of the Community Communications Committee held on April 11, 2019 and May 6, 2019, respectively, for information.

#### REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

## **Board Appointments - Various**

Confidential Memorandum dated December 2, 2019 from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk, relative to the above noted was presented in Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

WITH respect to the Accessibility Advisory Committee, the Sister Cities Advisory Committee and the EarthCare Advisory Committee we recommend that the following persons be appointed to the following Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees, as identified in the Report:

# Accessibility Advisory Committee:

1. One (1) Mental Health representative for a four year term expiring November 30, 2023, or as soon after as a replacement has been appointed.

Kai Crites

2. One (1) Hard of Hearing/Late Deafened representative for a four year term expiring November 30, 2023, or as soon after as a replacement has been appointed

Brian Spare

3. One (1) Mobility Disability representative for a four year term expiring November 30, 2023, or as soon after as a replacement has been appointed.

John Paul Gamache

# Sister Cities Advisory Committee:

1. Two (2) Citizen Representatives for a three year term expiring November 30, 2022, or as soon after as a replacement has been appointed.

Andrew Ault

Chris Krumpholz

## EarthCare Advisory Committee:

1. One (1) Citizen Representative for a four year term expiring November 30, 2023, or as soon after as a replacement has been appointed.

Sandra Stiles

#### **CARRIED**

# Thunder Bay Synergy North Board of Director Recruitment (2) Appointments

Councillor M. Bentz declared a conflict relative to Thunder Bay Synergy North Board of Directors Recruitment (2) Appointments as he is a Board member.

Councillor M. Bentz left the Chair. Councillor A. Foulds assumed the Chair.

Confidential memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk dated December 12, 2019 relative to the above noted was previously presented at Committee of the Whole - Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

Councillor M. Bentz re-assumed the Chair.

MOVED BY: Councillor Peng You SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

With respect to the (2) two vacancies on the Board of Directors for the Thunder Bay Synergy North Corporation Board, we recommend that Mr. Gary Armstrong and Mr. Jonathan Webber be appointed for a term to expire on or before April 30, 2022, or until such time as a replacement is appointed.

**CARRIED** 

#### Potential Future Uses - Dease Pool/Park Site

Report 174/2019 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) recommending that subject to Council approval of the proposed 2020 capital budget, Administration proceed with the decommissioning and demolition of the former Dease Pool site at an estimated cost of \$260,000 and that Administration continue to deliver enhanced programming initiatives within the existing budget and/or the successful leveraging of funds acquired through partnership(s) or as a result of successful application to external sources.

Memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds, dated December 11, 2019 containing an amending motion relative to these above noted was distributed separately on Friday, December 13, 2019.

Letter received from Ms. L. Paras, dated December 13, 2019 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, December 13, 2019.

Letter received from Mr. R. Smith on Friday, December 13, 2019 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, December 13, 2019.

Letter received from Ms. K. Banning on Friday, December 13, 2019 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, December 13, 2019.

Ms. L. Paras appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

Mr. R. Smith appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

Ms. K. Banning appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to Report No. R 174/2019 Potential Future Uses – Dease Pool/Park Sites (Community Services – Recreation and Culture), we recommend that:

Subject to Council approval of the proposed 2020 capital budget, Administration proceed with the decommissioning and demolition of the former Dease Pool site at an estimated cost of \$260,000;

AND THAT Administration continue to deliver enhanced programming initiatives within the existing budget and/or the successful leveraging of funds acquired through partnership(s) or as a result of successful application to external sources;

AND THAT Administration be directed to continue to consult with the community on a revised and more detailed concept plan for the Dease Park and Dease Pool sites, as suggested in this report, and report back on a proposed phased park re-development approach and financial implications in Q3 2020:

AND THAT as a result of more refined planning, Administration confirm whether the Dease Pool lands should be re-developed to meet the community's recreation needs or be declared surplus;

AND THAT, with respect to the memorandum from Mr. A. Cotter, Chair Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC), dated June 28, 2019, we recommend that as an alternative to designation, maintaining a similar community use of the Dease Pool property be explored, and a more refined concept plan of the Dease Park and/or Pool sites include commemoration of the cultural history of Dease Pool, and that the Heritage Advisory Committee be consulted on the form, content, and location of that commemoration;

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

## Amending Motion - Potential Future Uses - Dease Pool/Park Site

Memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds, dated December 11, 2019 containing an amending motion relative to these above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

With Respect to the recommendation in Report No. 174/2019 (Community Services – Recreation & Culture) Potential Future Uses – Dease Pool/Park Sites, paragraph 1 should be deleted:

(Subject to Council approval of the 2020 proposed capital budget, Administration proceed with the decommissioning and demolition of the former Dease Pool site at an estimated cost of \$260,000;)

AND THAT the following be added after paragraph 4;

AND THAT Administration consider Option D, relative to re-building the Dease Pool and report back as one of the options for re-development.

**LOST** 

#### Potential Future Uses - Dease Pool/Park Site

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

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Subject to Council approval of the proposed 2020 capital budget, Administration proceed with the decommissioning and demolition of the former Dease Pool site at an estimated cost of \$260,000;

AND THAT Administration continue to deliver enhanced programming initiatives within the existing budget and/or the successful leveraging of funds acquired through partnership(s) or as a result of successful application to external sources;

AND THAT Administration be directed to continue to consult with the community on a revised and more detailed concept plan for the Dease Park and Dease Pool sites, as suggested in this report, and report back on a proposed phased park re-development approach and financial implications in Q3 2020;

AND THAT as a result of more refined planning, Administration confirm whether the Dease Pool lands should be re-developed to meet the community's recreation needs or be declared surplus;

AND THAT, with respect to the memorandum from Mr. A. Cotter, Chair Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC), dated June 28, 2019, we recommend that as an alternative to designation, maintaining a similar community use of the Dease Pool property be explored, and a more refined concept plan of the Dease Park and/or Pool sites include commemoration of the cultural history of Dease Pool, and that the Heritage Advisory Committee be consulted on the form, content, and location of that commemoration;

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

**CARRIED** 

### 55 Plus Centre Hot Lunch Program & South Side Reserve Funds

Report 184/2019 (Community Services - Recreation and Culture) recommending that \$19,807.76 be allocated from the 55 Plus Centre Food Program Reserve fund via appropriation #26 for half of the total cost of the renovation of the outdoor patio and pergola and construction of a new garbage/recycling shed.

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

With respect to Report No. 184/2019 (Community Services – Recreation & Culture), we recommend that \$19,807.76 be allocated from the 55 Plus Centre Food Program Reserve fund via appropriation #26 for half of the total cost of the renovation of the outdoor patio and pergola and construction of a new garbage/recycling shed;

AND THAT \$10,000 be allocated from the 55 Plus South Side Centre Reserve Fund via appropriation #26 for purchase of program equipment;

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

**CARRIED** 

## **Tbaytel Dividend Model**

Report No. R 156/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) providing information relative to the above noted and recommending that the Tbaytel Dividend policy be revised.

MOVED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With respect to Report R 156/2019 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care – Financial Services) and 2019CLS.035 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care), we recommend that the revised Tbaytel Dividend Policy as contained within this report and encompassing three major elements (a Fixed Annual Dividend, a Performance Dividend and a Special Dividend) be approved;

AND THAT the revised Dividend Policy serve as a direction to the Tbaytel Municipal Services Board for purposes of payment of future Dividends to the City of Thunder Bay;

AND THAT a review of the Tbaytel Dividend policy be undertaken every two years;

AND THAT the next review occurs in conjunction with the 2021 Third Quarter update from Tbaytel;

AND THAT the Annual Fixed Dividend in excess of \$17.75 million be transferred to the General Capital Reserve Fund;

AND THAT the Performance and Special Dividends continue to be directed to the Renew Thunder Bay Reserve Fund;

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

**CARRIED** 

#### 2020 Interim Tax Levy

Report No. 178/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Revenue) recommending an interim tax levy and due dates for 2020.

MOVED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

WITH respect to R 178/2019 (Revenue) we recommend that the 2020 interim tax levy be established at 50% of the 2019 final tax obligation;

AND THAT the 2020 interim tax levy be due in two installments, March 4 and May 6;

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

**CARRIED** 

#### FIRST REPORTS

## City of Thunder Bay Program and Service Review – Phase One Interim Report

At the December 2, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting, Report No. R 181/2019 (City Manager's Office) relative to the Phase One Interim Report on the City Program and Service Review was 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 recommendations are considered by Committee of the Whole on December 16, 2019.

Attachment A – City Program and Service Review, Phase One Interim Report, Grant Thornton, December 2, 2019 was distributed separately on Monday, December 2, 2019.

Report No. R 181/2019 (City Manager's Office) relative to the above noted, re-presented.

Letter received from Mr. D. Vacek, President - CUPE Local 87, dated December 9, 2019 requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted.

Mr. D. Vacek, President - CUPE Local 87 appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

Mr. S. Desai and Ms. A. Pinto, Grant Thornton, LLP appeared before the Committee and responded to questions.

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

SECONDED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

With respect to Report No. R 181/2019 (City Manager's Office) we recommend that the Grant Thornton Phase One Interim Report (Attachment A) on the City Program and Service Review be received;

AND THAT Grant Thornton be directed to proceed with the Phase Two review of key areas as outlined in the Interim Report (Attachment A);

AND THAT the Interim Report be published to the Get Involved section of the City's website and be provided to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Audit and Accountability Fund to seek reimbursement of costs eligible from the Province for municipal reviews;

AND THAT Report No. R 181/2019 (City Manager's Office) be presented at the December 16, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting for consideration;

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

**CARRIED** 

#### PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

2019 Management Review Report - DWQMS - City of Thunder Bay Bare Point Water Treatment Plant and Distribution Subsystem

Memorandum from Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager - Infrastructure & Operations dated December 5, 2019, providing a review of the Drinking Water Quality Management System for the City of Thunder Bay, for information.

### Municipal Hazardous or Special Wastes Program Update

Memorandum from Mr. J. Sherband, Manager - Solid Waste and Recycling Services, dated December 5, 2019 providing information relative to the Provincial Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) Program, for information.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Establishment of Closed Session - January 13, 2020

Confidential memorandum from Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk, dated December 16, 2019 relative to the establishment of a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m., distributed separately on Monday, December 16, 2019 to Members of City Council, EMT and City Solicitor only.

MOVED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in order to receive information relative to the security of the property of the municipality or local board; and labour relations or employee negotiations.

**CARRIED** 

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:36 p.m.