



The Corporation of The City of Dryden
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting

April 10, 2023, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers - City Hall

Members Present: Councillor M. MacKinnon
Councillor M. Price
Councillor Latham
Councillor Tardiff
Councillor Kiewning
Mayor Harrison
Councillor Noel

Staff Present: CAO R. Nesbitt
Clerk A. Euler
Treasurer S. Lansdell-Roll
Manager of Public Works B. Poole
Manager of Community Services S. Belanger

Others Present: Jamie Gould, Communications Coordinator S. Tocholke, Junior
Planner D. Mehta, Chief Building Official P. Skillen

1. Call to Order

Chair Councillor Kiewning called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature thereof

- a. The Agenda for this meeting.

Chair Councillor Kiewning called for declarations of Pecuniary Interest, and the general nature thereof, under The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the Agenda for this meeting and Councillor Noel declared a conflict on agenda items 9 a) and 9 b).

- a. R. Noel - Councillor Tardiff re Fire Services Training and Certification Centre.

A family member is a full-time employee of the Dryden Fire Service.

- b. R. Noel - Councillor Tardiff re: Fire Master Plan Recommendation re: Superior Tanker Shuttle Accreditation.

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3. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Chair Councillor Kiewning read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

4. Delegations

- a. Mr. J. Gould re: Request for Council to Waive Requirement for an Environmental Impact Assessment at 107 and 109 Edgewater Drive to Move Towards Rezoning Request.

Mr. Gould presented his request for Council to waive the requirement for an Environmental Impact Assessment at 107 and 109 Edgewater Drive. Mayor Harrison shared some research that he's done, noting that he believes the buffer for development near wetlands is aimed at Provincially Significant Wetlands which the Laura Howe Marsh is not. There was then some discussion around the potential issues that may arise from waiving the Environmental Impact Assessment, including the potential for appeals and what consequences that may have. Council directed staff to seek confirmation from the Provincial Government that the 120 metre wetland buffer is only required for Provincially Significant Wetlands. This will be brought forward to the April 24th Meeting of Council.

ACTION: Building and Planning

5. Presentations

None.

None.

6. Public Notices - Clerk

None.

None.

7. Committee and Board Reports - Council

- a. Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison reviewed his report giving an update from the March 30th Board Meeting for the Kenora District Homes for the Aged.

8. Staff Reports

- a. Administration-2023-014 Support Resolution Request – April 2023 - Clerk.

Ms. Euler presented her report recommending that Council provide direction to staff regarding two (2) support resolution requests. She advised that the first request was from the Town of Essex regarding a resolution they recently passed regarding Bill 68, the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act (MOMLA), and the negative effects relating to tax sales for municipalities. Mr. Lansdell-Roll explained the difference between the old and new legislation in response to a question from Councillor Noel. Councillor Tardiff asked is the City is able to recuperate administrative costs relating to tax sales to which Mr. Lansdell-Roll advised that those costs are recoverable and the City of Dryden uses a third-party for the tax sale process. A Support Resolution will be brought forward to the April 24th Meeting of Council.

Ms. Euler advised that the second request came from the Association of Ontario Roads Supervisors (AORS) requesting municipalities object to a new locate request fee of \$200 from Enbridge Gas. There was some discussion regarding the new fee and Council directed staff to bring a Support Resolution forward to the April 24th Meeting of Council.

ACTION: Administration

9. Notices of Motion

- a. Councillor Tardiff re Fire Services Training and Certification Centre.

R. Noel declared a conflict on this item. (A family member is a full-time employee of the Dryden Fire Service.)

- b. Councillor Tardiff re: Fire Master Plan Recommendation re: Superior Tanker Shuttle Accreditation.

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10. Announcements

- a. Mayor

Mayor Harrison advised that he will be attending the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) conference in the last week of April.

b. Councillors

Councillor Latham shared that he attended the recent Northwest Response Forum and noted that one of the big topics was mental health.

Councillor MacKinnon had no comments.

Councillor Noel shared that he invited Reagan Breeze to make a presentation to Council regarding bee keeping. He also noted that there is an upcoming Power Lifting event on June 10th at the Dryden Memorial Arena.

Councillor Price urged the public to be safe as people are using the roadways to walk due to the snow on the sidewalks. She also gave her condolences to the Carlucci family for the recent passing of Pina Carlucci.

Councillor Tardiff shared that he also attended the Northwest Response Forum.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Moved by R. Noel

Seconded by M. Price

THAT this meeting be declared adjourned.

Carried

Confirmed this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Mayor

Clerk