

The Corporation of The City of Dryden Minutes of the Open Meeting of Council

> October 28, 2024, 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers - City Hall

Members Present:	Councillor MacKinnon
	Councillor Price
	Councillor Latham
	Councillor Tardiff
	Mayor Harrison
	Councillor Noel

- Members Absent: Councillor Kiewning
- Staff Present:CAO R. Nesbitt
Clerk A. Euler
Treasurer S. Lansdell-Roll
Director of Public Works B. Poole
Director of Community Services J. Boyer
Fire Chief C. Wood
Communications Coordinator L. SmithOthers Present:Director of Human Resources M. Warren, C. Edwards of
Soloway Wright, R. Davenport, J. Jacyk, R. Hodgkinson

1. Call to Order

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Mayor Harrison 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 the response was negative.

Mayor Harrison called for declarations of Pecuniary Interest, and the general nature thereof, under The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to Minutes of a meeting at which a member was not in attendance and had not previously declared and the response was negative.

3. Adjournment to Closed Session

At this time, 6:01pm, the Open Meeting of Council adjourned to the Closed Meeting.

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Moved by M. Price Seconded by B. Tardiff

That Council do hereby adjourn to a Closed Session of Council pursuant to Section 239 of The Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, for the following reasons:

Community Benefit Agreement Update. (A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to negotiations carried on by the municipality)

Land Acquisition. (Land Acquisition)

Carried

- a. Call to Order:
- b. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof for:
- c. Adoption of Minutes:
 - 1. Closed Council Meeting Minutes October 15, 2024.
- d. Closed Agenda Items:
 - 1. Community Benefit Agreement Update. (A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to negotiations carried on by the municipality)
 - 2. Land Acquisition. (Land acquisition)
- e. Adjournment to Open Meeting:

4. Reconvene from Closed Session

At this time, 6:56pm, the Open Meeting of Council reconvened from the Closed Meeting.

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Moved by M. Price Seconded by R. Noel

That the Open Meeting of Council be reconvened.

Carried

5. Resumption of Open Council Meeting

Mayor Harrison called the meeting back to order at 7:00pm.

6. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Harrison read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

7. Report from Closed Session

Ms. Euler advised there had been two items on the Closed Agenda. On the first, Council received an update on a Community Benefit Agreement. On the second, Council received a report on a potential land acquisition. Council gave direction to staff for both items.

ACTION: Administration

8. Delegations

a. Nuclear Waste Management Organization Project Update - Ms. C. Gascon, Ms. J. Jacyk and Mr. R. Hodgkinson.

Ms. Jacyk presented updates on the Nuclear Waste Management Organization's Deep Geological Repository project to Council and answered questions.

9. Presentations

None.

10. Public Notices - Clerk

a. Retail Shops Remembrance Day Hours.

Ms. Euler reviewed the Public Notice to remind the public that retail business establishments in the City of Dryden shall be closed until 12:30 p.m. on Monday, November 11, 2024 in honour of Remembrance Day and she advised that most City of Dryden offices would be closed on that day. Ms. Euler also advised that a copy of the Public Notice could be seen on the City's website and Facebook page and was attached to the agenda for tonight's meeting.

11. Committee and Board Reports - Council

None.

12. Consent Agenda - Part 1 - General

#3

Moved by M. Price Seconded by M. MacKinnon

That Council hereby consider the following items of the Consent Agenda - Part 1 - General under date of October 28, 2024 as read and adopted:

13. a, b

Carried

13. Adopt/Receive Minutes

a. Council Meeting Minutes - October 15, 2024. (Adopt)

#4

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by B. Tardiff

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held October 15, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

b. NOMA Board Meeting Summary Report - September 25, 2024. (Receive)

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Moved by B. Latham Seconded by R. Noel

That the Summary Report of the NOMA Board Meeting held September 25, 2024 be received.

14. Motions Arising from Previous Council Meetings

None.

15. Award of Tenders/Request for Proposals

None.

16. Information Items

None.

17. Consent Agenda - Part 2 - By-laws

#6

Moved by B. Tardiff Seconded by B. Latham

That Council hereby consider the following items of the Consent Agenda - Part 2 - By-laws under date of October 28, 2024 as read and adopted:

By-law 2024-60

Carried

18. By-laws - First, Second and Third Reading

a. By-law 2024-60 re: Budget Policy.

#7

Moved by M. Price Seconded by B. Latham

That By-law 2024-60 being a by-law to amend By-law 3529-2007, a bylaw to adopt the City of Dryden Corporate Policy and Procedure Manual, by adding the following document under section Finance:

(a) FI-BU-01 Budget Policy

be adopted.

Carried

19. Items Severed from Consent Agenda or Deferred Items

None.

20. Staff Reports

a. Building & Planning-2024-23 By-law to Restrict De-icers - CBO.

Ms. Skillen read her report to Council and answered questions. Council deliberated and directed staff to bring a legal opinion regarding the by-law to the next meeting.

ACTION: Building and Planning

b. Building & Planning-2024-24 Land Use Agreement – 564 Government Street - CBO.

Ms. Skillen read her report and answered questions. Council directed staff to bring a by-law forward to the next Council meeting.

ACTION: Administration

c. Administration-2024-19 Amend Schedule K "Stop Signs at Intersections" of By-law 2022-55, Parking and Traffic - Clerk.

Ms. Euler read her report. Council directed staff to bring the by-law to the next meeting of Council.

ACTION: Administration

d. Public Works-2024-11 Connecting Link Application 2025/2026 - Director of Public Works.

Mr. Poole read his report to Council and answered questions.

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Moved by R. Noel Seconded by B. Latham

THAT Council direct staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Connecting Link Program 2025/2026 for the following project: Highway #594 (Duke Street) Road Reconstruction from Casimir Avenue to Earl Avenue;

AND FURTHER THAT the City of Dryden commits to using Capital Funds for the municipal contribution component;

AND FURTHER THAT if the application is successful, the City of Dryden will proceed with the project in accordance with the timelines specified in the application;

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

AND THAT the necessary By-Laws are presented to City Council for ratification.

Carried

21. Notices of Motion

None.

22. Motions

None.

23. Reports of Municipal Officers

a. CAO

Mr. Nesbitt offered condolences to the family of Chief Esther Pitchenese and the Wabigoon Lake Ojibwe Nation community. He acknowledged Dryden Fall Fest for their contributions to the Dryden community. He also commented on the rising policing costs in Ontario, and expecially in Dryden and our surrounding area.

b. Treasurer

Mr. Lansdell-Roll reported that staff's focus in the Finance department is on the 2025 budget.

c. Clerk

Ms. Euler has been working on the Elections Ontario site and reminded the public of the important task of ensuring their information is correct on the site, which will give the municipality the most accurate voting information when an election comes.

d. Director of Public Works

None.

e. Director of Community Services

Mr. Boyer called attention to the Arena Open House that is being held on November 14th to showcase the arena's finished expansion and retrofit project. He also invited the public to the arena to view the new Zamboni.

24. Announcements

a. Mayor

Mayor Harrison offered condolences to the family of Chief Esther Pitchenese and commented on her long and involved career within her community. He also commented how successful Dryden Fall Fest has been with turnout increasing each year. And he congratulated the Dryden Entertainment Series on celebrating their 50th year.

b. Councillors

Councillor Latham commented on how much fun the Trunk or Treat event was for both parents and children alike.

Councillor MacKinnon recognized the Dryden Regional Health Services Foundation for all their great work within our community.

Councillor Noel gave condolences to the family of Chief Esther Pitchenese.

Councillor Price attended the Dryden Entertainment Series 50th anniversary event and commended their work. She also congratulated Dryden Fall Fest on the successful year and reminisced on the first year of the events.

25. Confirmatory By-law.

a. By-law 2024-61.

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Moved by M. Price Seconded by M. MacKinnon

That By-law 2024-61 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be adopted.

Carried

26. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

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Moved by M. Price Seconded by R. Noel

That this meeting be declared adjourned.

Carried

Confirmed this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Mayor

Clerk