

The Corporation of The City of Dryden

Minutes of the Open Meeting of Council

December 13, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers - City Hall

Members Present:	Mayor G. Wilson Councillor N. Bush Councillor J. Carlucci Councillor M. MacKinnon Councillor S. MacKinnon Councillor D. McKay Councillor M. Price
Staff Present:	CAO R. Nesbitt Acting Clerk A. Euler Cemetery & Licensing Coordinator P. Spielmacher Treasurer S. Lansdell-Roll Manager of Community Services S. Belanger
Others Present:	Assets & Facilities Manager C. Hawkins Human Resources Manager M. Warren Fire Chief C. Wood Special Projects & Communications Manager M. Reader

# 1. Call to Order

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature thereof

Mayor Wilson 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 Wilson 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. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Wilson read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

## 4. Delegations

None.

## 5. Presentations

None.

## 6. Public Notices - Clerk

a. Youth Advisory Council Seeking Members.

Ms. Euler advised that the Youth Advisory Council is seeking members. To apply email Abigail Marion at amarion@dryden.ca for an application. Deadline for applications is December 22, 2021.

## 7. Consent Agenda - Part 1 - General

#1

Moved by D. McKay Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT Council hereby consider the following items of the Consent Agenda - Part 1 - General under date of December 13, 2021 as read and adopted:

8. a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h 9. a

#### Carried

#### 8. Adopt/Receive Minutes

a. Council Meeting Minutes - November 22, 2021. (Adopt)

# 2

Moved by M. Price Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held November 22, 2021 be adopted.

# Carried

b. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - November 8, 2021. (Adopt)

#3

Moved by M. Price Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held November 8, 2021 be adopted.

# Carried

c. Board of Health for the Northwestern Health Unit Meeting Minutes - October 22, 2021. (Receive)

#### #4

Moved by S. MacKinnon Seconded by D. McKay

THAT the Minutes of the Board of Health for the Northwestern Health Unit Meeting held October 22, 2021 be received.

#### Carried

d. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - June 17, 2021. (Adopt)

## # 5

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held June 17, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

e. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - July 30, 2021. (Adopt)

#6

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held July 30, 2021 be adopted.

#### Carried

f. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - September 15, 2021. (Adopt)

#7

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held September 15, 2021 be adopted.

## Carried

g. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - October 13, 2021. (Adopt)

#8

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by J. Carlucci THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held October 13, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

h. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - November 15, 2021. (Adopt)

**# 9** 

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held November 15, 2021 be adopted.

## Carried

## 9. Motions arising from previous Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings

a. Endorsement of the Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) Operational Plan.

#### # 10

## Moved by M. Price Seconded by D. McKay

THAT Council endorse the Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) Operational Plan as presented by the Water Works Manager at the December 6, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting in Staff Report Public Works-2021-04.

#### Carried

#### 10. Award of Tenders/Request for Proposals

None.

## 11. Information Items

None.

#### 12. Consent Agenda - Part 2 - By-laws

# 11

Moved by D. McKay Seconded by S. MacKinnon

THAT Council consider Consent Agenda - Part 2 - By-laws, under date of December 13, 2021 which includes the following by-laws, as read a first, second and third time:

By-law 2021-99 By-law 2021-100 By-law 2021-101 By-law 2021-102 By-law 2021-103 By-law 2021-107 By-law 2021-109

#### 13. By-laws - First, Second and Third Reading

a. By-law 2021-98 re Water and Sewer Rate Increase.

Councillor S. MacKinnon requested that By-law 2021-98 be severed for discussion and separate recorded vote.

b. By-law 2021-99 re User Fees and Charges Effective January 1, 2022.

# 12

Moved by D. McKay Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT By-law 2021-99 being a by-law to establish Fees and Charges for The Corporation of The City of Dryden effective January 1, 2022 be read a first, second and third time.

#### Carried

c. By-law 2021-100 re Amend Chapter 259 re Delete and Replace Established Penalty.

## # 13

## Moved by J. Carlucci Seconded by M. Price

THAT By-law 2021-100 being a by-law to amend Chapter 259, Waterworks, of the Municipal Code of The Corporation of The City of Dryden by deleting and replacing § 259.1 Penalty Established be read a first, second and third time.

## Carried

d. By-law 2021-101 re Adopt Council's Procedural By-law.

## # 14

## Moved by J. Carlucci Seconded by M. MacKinnon

THAT By-law 2021-101 being a by-law to establish rules governing the proceedings of Council, the calling of meetings and the conduct of members, staff and the public be read a first, second and third time.

Carried

e. By-law 2021-102 re Adopt ATV/Snowmobile By-law.

## # 15

# Moved by S. MacKinnon Seconded by M. Price

THAT By-law 2021-102 being a by-law to regulate the operation of all-terrain vehicles, dirt bikes, motorized snow vehicles, multi-purpose off-highway utility vehicles, recreational off-highway vehicles and extreme terrain vehicles within the City of Dryden be read a first, second and third time.

#### Carried

f. By-law 2021-103 re Amend 3529-2007 to Add COVID-19 Workplace Vaccination Verification Policy (HR-HS-58).

Mayor Wilson spoke about the proposed Policy and by-law, stating his opposition to them.

#### # 16

## Moved by S. MacKinnon Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT By-law 2021-103 being a by-law to amend By-law 3529-2007, a by-law to adopt the City of Dryden Corporate Policy and Procedure Manual, by adding the following under section Human Resources:

(a) HR-HS-58 - COVID-19 Workplace Vaccination Verification Policy

be read a first, second and third time.

#### Carried

g. By-law 2021-107 re Appoint Acting Clerk.

# 17

## Moved by J. Carlucci Seconded by D. McKay

THAT By-law 2021-107 being a by-law to appoint Allyson Jane Euler as Acting Clerk for the City of Dryden from January 1, 2022 to February 28, 2022 be read a first, second and third time.

#### Carried

h. By-law 2021-109 re Appoint Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer/Property Standards Officer.

## # 18

Moved by M. Price Seconded by S. MacKinnon

THAT By-law 2021-109 being a by-law to appoint Tanner Pecarski as a By-law Enforcement Officer and a Property Standards Officer for the City of Dryden effective January 4, 2022 be read a first, second and third time.

Carried

## 14. Items Severed from Consent Agenda or Deferred Items

a. By-law 2021-98 re Water and Sewer Rate Increase.

Discussion was held regarding the water and sewer rate increase proposed for 2022 with Councillor S. MacKinnon suggesting this by-law should be postponed until February 2022 as the costs associated with the move to the OPP remain unknown. Following discussion, Council voted on the by-law.

# 19

Moved by J. Carlucci Seconded by M. MacKinnon

THAT By-law 2021-98 being a by-law to amend Chapter 259, Waterworks, of the Municipal Code of The Corporation of The City of Dryden by deleting and replacing § 259-4 Monthly Rates for waterworks within City limits be read a first, second and third time.

For (6): G. Wilson, N. Bush, J. Carlucci, M. MacKinnon, D. McKay, and M. Price

Against (1): S. MacKinnon

Carried (6 to 1)

## 15. Staff Reports

a. Staff Report Fire-2021-04 re 2021 Emergency Plan - Fire Chief.

Fire Chief Wood presented his Staff Report recommending that Council adopt, through by-law, the City of Dryden Municipal Emergency Response Plan. Staff were directed to proceed with the recommendation.

## **ACTION: Administration**

# 20

Moved by D. McKay Seconded by M. Price

THAT By-law 2021-104 being a by-law to adopt the City of Dryden Municipal Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan, revised December 2, 2021, be read a first, second and third time.

b. Staff Report Fire-2021-02 re 2021 Municipal Emergency Program - Fire Chief.

Fire Chief Wood presented his Staff Report recommending Council adopt, through bylaw, the City of Dryden 2021 Municipal Emergency Management Program, that the members of the City of Dryden Emergency Management Program Committee be reappointed by Council, that Council recommend Councillor M. MacKinnon continue to sit on the Emergency Management Program Committee as the Council representative and that the members of the City of Dryden Emergency Control Group be re-appointed by Council. Council directed staff to proceed with the recommendations and thanked Chief Wood for keeping things up-to-date for Council and the Province.

#### **ACTION: Administration**

# 21

Moved by M. Price Seconded by D. McKay

THAT By-law 2021-105 being a by-law to appoint the following as members of the City of Dryden Emergency Management Program Committee for 2022:

Community Emergency Management Coordinator (Chair), CAO, Treasurer, Manager of Public Works, and Councillor Martin MacKinnon

be read a first, second and third time.

Carried

# 22

Moved by M. MacKinnon Seconded by M. Price THAT By-law 2021-106 being a by-law to appoint the following as members of the City of Dryden Emergency Control Group for 2022:

Mayor Greg Wilson (designates Councillors Shayne MacKinnon and John Carlucci), CAO, Treasurer, Manager of Public Works, CEMC, and City Clerk

be read a first, second and third time.

#### Carried

#### # 23

Moved by M. Price Seconded by D. McKay

THAT as per the Recommendation in Staff Report Fire-2021-02, Council re-appoint the following individuals as Emergency Information Officers for the City of Dryden:

Primary Emergency Information Officer - Nicole Gale Alternate Emergency Information Officer - Tyler Peacock.

#### Carried

c. Staff Report Administration-2021-38 re Pedestrian Overpass Service Level Reduction - CAO.

Mr. Nesbitt presented his Staff Report recommending a service level reduction for the Pedestrian Overpass which will result in the closure of the facility between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. each day of the week as a temporary/trial action to reduce incidents of concern impacting the health and safety of City employees and the public. Following discussion staff were directed to proceed with the recommendation and provide comments back to Council as things progress.

#### **ACTION: Administration**

#### # 24

## Moved by M. Price Seconded by M. MacKinnon

THAT Council authorizes a service level reduction for the Pedestrian Overpass which will result in the closure of the facility between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. each day of the week as a temporary/trial action to reduce incidents of concern impacting the health and safety of City employees and the public.

#### Carried

## 16. Notices of Motion

None.

## 17. Motions

a. Rescind Motion to Appoint R. Tuy to City of Dryden Committee of Adjustment.

# 25

Moved by M. Price Seconded by S. MacKinnon

THAT Council hereby rescinds the Resolution passed at the August 23, 2021 meeting of Council appointing Ronald Tuy to the City of Dryden Committee of Adjustment.

Carried

## 18. Reports of Municipal Officers

a. CAO

Mr. Nesbitt noted that as we near the end of the year it gives us time to reflect on the accomplishments and challenges faced this past year. He noted that through their hard work and dedication, Municipal Staff overcame many challenges and made some substantial accomplishments throughout the course of the year. Mr. Nesbitt thanked all employees for their contributions through 2021 and he thanked Council for their support. Mr. Nesbitt wished all staff, Council and residents a safe, healthy holiday season and a safe and healthy new year.

b. Treasurer

Mr. Lansdell-Roll wished everyone a safe, happy holiday season and all the best in 2022.

c. Clerk

Ms. Euler advised that work was continuing with planning of the Kenora District Municipal Association Conference that is scheduled for January 2022. She thanked Lynn Arseneault, Anna Boily and Patti Spielmacher for all the work they put into the Christmas Luncheon which had been a success. Ms. Euler noted that Ms. Spielmacher has tendered her resignation and wished her the best with her future endeavours. She wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

d. Public Works Manager

Mr. Poole was not in attendance.

e. Manager of Community Services

Mr. Belanger noted that work is continuing on the retrofit mechanical system; he thanked the patrons for their patience. Mr. Belanger advised that the Request for Proposal for the heat and power system had been opened earlier in the day. He thanked all the staff and volunteers for their hard work during the back-to-back hockey tournaments these past couple of weekends. Mr. Belanger advised that a MyLift vehicle was operational however it does not have a lift. He noted the MyLift van will be sent to Thunder Bay for repairs in the near future and will then be back in operation. He thanked everyone for their patience. Mr. Belanger advised that Milestone Rink will be up and running over the holiday season. He also advised that there will be a number of free swim and skates over the holidays. Mr. Belanger wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

## 19. Announcements

a. Mayor

Mayor Wilson wished everyone a Merry Christmas. He provided information about feasibility studies by the Northwestern Health Unit regarding supervised drug injection sites, that will be carried out during January to April 2022. He recommended local citizens research how other municipalities have fared with such sites.

b. Councillors

Councillor Price wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Councillor Carlucci wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He wished Council and Staff a prosperous new year.

Councillor S. MacKinnon wished everyone a happy and safe holiday and New Year. He asked everyone to keep seniors, shut ins and the homeless in their thoughts.

Councillor Bush wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and all the best in the new year.

Councillor M. MacKinnon wished everyone a healthy and happy 2022 and the best Christmas.

Councillor McKay wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

#### 20. Confirmatory By-law

a. By-law 2021-108.

# 26

Moved by M. Price Seconded by D. McKay THAT By-law 2021-108 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be read a first, second and third time.

Carried

## 21. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

# 27

Moved by D. McKay Seconded by S. MacKinnon

THAT this meeting be declared adjourned.

Carried

Confirmed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Mayor

Clerk