



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

January 10, 2022, 6:00 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
Chair Councillor M. Price

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

Others Present: Special Projects and Communications Manager M. Reader,
Fire Chief C. Wood,
Acting Cemetery and Licensing Coordinator L. Arseneault,
Mr. J. McClelland and Ms. J. Taylor of the Ministry of Transportation

1. Call to Order

Chair Councillor Price called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature thereof

a. The Agenda for this meeting.

Chair Councillor Price 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.

3. Adjournment to Closed Session

At this time, 6:02 p.m., the Open Meeting of Committee of the Whole adjourned to the Closed Meeting.

Moved by M. MacKinnon
Seconded by J. Carlucci

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

Closed Staff Report Administration-2022-002 ISWO Letter of Support - CAO. (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

- a. Call to Order:
- b. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature thereof:
- c. Closed Agenda Items:
 - 1. Administration-2022-002 ISWO Letter of Support - CAO. (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)
- d. Adjournment to Open Meeting:

4. Reconvene from Closed Session

At this time, 6:50 p.m., the Closed Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned to the Open Meeting.

Moved by S. MacKinnon
Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT, the Open Meeting of Committee of the Whole be reconvened.

Carried

5. Resumption of Open Committee of the Whole

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

6. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Chair Councillor Price read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

7. Report from Closed Session

Ms. Euler advised there had been one (1) item on the Closed Agenda and on that item Committee received a report regarding a requested letter of support and provided direction to the CAO.

8. Delegations

None.

None.

9. Presentations

John McClelland and Jamie Taylor of the Ministry of Transportation re Extension of Highway 502.

Mr. McClelland reminded Committee that in 2021 the Ministry of Transportation had requested Council support to have the province assume ownership of Gordon Road to bring it and the Marguerite Street Bridge into the Provincial Highway Program. Mr. Taylor reviewed a presentation explaining the benefits of the assumption for both the province and for the City of Dryden, noting he didn't anticipate the province would try to revoke the Duke Street Connecting Link Designation. Committee thanked Mr. McClelland and Ms. Taylor for the presentation and advised staff would discuss the offer and a motion would be presented at a future meeting of Council.

10. Public Notices - Clerk

- a. Are You on the Voters' List for the October 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections?

Ms. Euler reviewed the Public Notice asking the public to use www.voterlookup.ca to see if their names and correct voting information appears. If the information shown isn't correct, Ms. Euler asked the public to make any necessary corrections to help ensure the Voters' List is accurate for the October Municipal and School Board Elections.

11. Staff Reports

- a. Administration-2022-001 Dryden Nuclear Education & Engagement Committee - Special Projects and Communications Manager.

Ms. Reader reviewed her Staff Report recommending Council approves the Terms of Reference of the proposed Dryden Nuclear Education & Engagement Committee and that the Committee be established. Committee concurred with the recommendation and directed a motion be brought forward to the January 24, 2022 meeting of Council.

ACTION: Administration

- b. Finance-2022-001 BMA – 2021 Municipal Study - Treasurer.

Mr. Lansdell-Roll reviewed his Report for information purposes advising that in 2021 the City of Dryden had joined 113 other Ontario municipalities to take part in a municipal comparative study that reports on a group of indicators to provide an overall snapshot for each municipality completed by BMA Management Consulting Inc. Noting the good information in the study, Council asked Mr.

Lansdell-Roll if this was the first time Dryden had taken part in it. Mr. Lansdell-Roll advised it was the first time in his tenure but that he planned on taking part going forward as the information shown is a snapshot in time and will change annually. Committee thanked Mr. Lansdell-Roll for his Report and for taking part in the study.

ACTION: Nil

- c. Administration-2022-003 OPP Transition Contract - CAO.

Mr. Nesbitt reviewed his Staff Report recommending Council approve a by-law to accept the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) transition contract for the provision of policing services for the City of Dryden. He advised that February 24, 2022 is the date that the City of Dryden will transition from having policing services provided by the Dryden Police Service (DPS) to having them provided by the OPP. Mr. Nesbitt advised that all of the numbers are just estimates at this time as the decision on which members of DPS will be moving to the OPP hasn't been made yet. Committee thanked Mr. Nesbitt for his Report and directed a by-law be brought forward to the January 24, 2022 meeting of Council.

ACTION: Administration

- d. Administration-2022-004 NWMO Funding Agreement for the 2022 Learn More Program - CAO.

Mr. Nesbitt reviewed his Staff Report recommending Council resolves to execute the NWMO Funding Agreement for the 2022 Learn More Program and that the resolution passed by Council includes the following: "NWMO and the City of Dryden acknowledge that acceptance of the 2022 Learn More Program funding does not constitute the Municipality's community support for either the APM project or the selection of the Township of Ignace as a final host community pursuant to NWMO's Site Selection Process." Committee discussed the Report including holding a referendum on the subject, noting it is too early for a referendum since it will take time to educate our citizens. Committee concurred with the recommendation and directed a motion be brought forward to the January 24, 2022 meeting of Council.

ACTION: Administration

- e. Administration-2022-005 Working Circle Member Appointments - CAO.

Mr. Nesbitt reviewed his Staff Report recommending Council appoint the City's Special Projects and Communications Manager, Marshalina Reader, and the City's Youth Leadership & Service-Learning Intern, Abigail Marion, to the Working Circle. Council's Working Circle members noted their approval of the appointments and Committee directed a motion be brought forward to the January 24, 2022 meeting of Council.

ACTION: Administration

12. Notices of Motion

- a. Mayor Wilson re Joint and Several Liability.

Ms. Euler reviewed the Notice of Motion submitted by Mayor Wilson, advising it will be brought forward to the January 24, 2022 meeting of Council for discussion.

13. Announcements

- a. Mayor

Mayor Wilson congratulated Ms. Euler on her appointment as the City's Clerk. He noted that from 2018 to 2021 the number of homeless in the area had gone from 390 to 220. Mayor Wilson hoped the COVID-19 restrictions would be lifted when the warmer weather arrives.

- b. Councillors

Councillor Carlucci wished everyone a Happy New Year, noting it had been a rough start to 2022 with COVID-19 and the cold weather and that he was hoping for better moving forward.

Councillor Bush wished the best of the New Year to all and congratulated Ms. Euler on her appointment as City Clerk. He expressed interest in hearing about the experiences of the Warming Shelter trial.

Councillor McKay congratulated Ms. Euler.

Councillor S. MacKinnon advised he and Mr. Nesbitt had attended the kick-off to the There's No Place Like Home campaign on December 15, 2021, noting it's a partnership between the Community Safety and Well Being Committee, the Kenora District Services Board (KDSB), the Dryden Ministerial Association and the City of Dryden. He noted that on December 29, 2021 the KDSB and the Dryden Ministerial Association announced they would be opening a Warming Shelter at the Full Gospel Church three (3) nights per week starting in mid-January. Councillor S. MacKinnon congratulated Ms. Euler on her appointment.

Councillor M. MacKinnon wished everyone a Happy New Year and congratulated Ms. Euler on her appointment.

Councillor Price thanked the nursing staff at the Dryden Regional Health Centre for the great care provided to a family member. She congratulated Ms. Euler and wished the public a Happy New Year, noting this will be the last year of this term of Council.

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Moved by M. MacKinnon
Seconded by J. Carlucci

THAT this meeting be declared adjourned.

Carried

Confirmed this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Mayor

Clerk