

# Regular Meeting of City Council Minutes

# November 30, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Electronic Participation via Zoom

Members Present: Mayor Al McDonald, Councillor Brousseau, Councillor Mayne, Councillor Bill Vrebosch, Councillor King, Councillor Robertson, Councillor Bain, Councillor Mendicino, Councillor Maroosis, Councillor Valenti

Members Absent: Councillor Tanya Vrebosch

# 1. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

### 2. Public Presentations

2.1 Sue Symons, North Bay Real Estate Board President and Andre Purcell, North Bay Real Estate Board Local PAC Chair - Municipal Land Transfer Tax

### 3. Public Meeting Minutes

#### Res. # 2021-471

Moved by Councillor Maroosis Seconded by Councillor Bain

That the minutes for the public meetings held on:

- Tuesday, November 16, 2021;
- Friday, November 19, 2021; and
- Monday, November 22, 2021

be adopted as presented.

Carried

### 4. Motion for Reconsideration

#### 5. Committee Reports

5.1 Election Sign By-Law

### Res. # 2021-472

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That General Government Committee Report No. 2021-14relating to:Election Sign By-Lawbe adopted as presented.

# **General Government Committee Report No. 2021-14**

November 30, 2021

To The Council Of The Corporation Of The City Of North Bay

Your Worship and Councillors: The General Government Committee presents Report No. 2021-14 and recommends: That:

1) Council adopt the proposed Election Sign By-Law as presented in Report to Council CORP 2021-120 dated October 15, 2021 prepared by Jenn Montreuil; and

2) the By-Law be brought forward for three (3) readings at the November 30, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Carried

#### 6. Correspondence

6.1 Municipal Elections 2022 - Appointment of Compliance Audit Committe

# Res. # 2021-473

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That:

1.Council appoint a Compliance Audit Committee in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act*; and

2.the City Clerk be authorized to advertise for applications for citizen appointments to the Compliance Audit Committee.

Carried

6.2 Amendment to Procedural By-Law No. 2019-80, as amended, to Allow for Electronic Participation by Members of the City Council

### Res. # 2021-474

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council:

- authorize the City Clerk to amend the City of North Bay's Procedural By-Law to allow Members of Council and Members of Local Boards or Committees to participate electronically in meetings until April 30, 2022; and
- 2. suspend the Notice Provision as set out in Section 33 of the City of North Bay's Procedural By-Law.

Carried

6.3 2022 Municipal Election - Recount Policy

### Res. # 2021-475

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau That Council authorize the City Clerk to maintain the existing statutory threshold for recounts pursuant to section 56 of the *Municipal Elections Act* for the 2022 Municipal Election.

Carried

6.4 2022 Municipal Election - Delegation of Authority During "Lame Duck Council" Period Restrict Acts of Council after Nomination Day

# Res. # 2021-476

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That:

1.the Chief Administrative Officer, City Solicitor and Chief Financial Officer, jointly, be delegated the authority to:

(i)dispose of any real or personal property of the municipality which has a value exceeding \$50,000 when it was acquired by the municipality; and

(ii)make expenditures or incur liabilities which exceed \$50,000;

2.this delegation of authority will only take effect and be limited to the "Lame Duck Period" of Council and shall expire on Tuesday, November 15, 2022;

3.notice of the exercise of any such authority shall be given to the Council at a meeting prior to the exercise of such authority; and

4.Council authorize the passing of a By-Law delegating authority to the Chief Administrative Officer, City Solicitor and Chief Financial Officer, jointly, in the event of a "Lame Duck Council".

Carried

6.5 Request for Proposal 2021-100, Superior Park Playground

# Res. # 2021-477

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That City Council:

1. approve the award of a contract to ABC Recreation Ltd. in the amount of \$99,997.26 (plus HST) for the supply and installation of playground equipment at Superior Park; and

2. authorize the transfer of funds to the project as outlined in Report to Council CORP 2021-118 dated November 19, 2021 from Mary-Ann Kotylak and David Schroeder.

Carried

6.6 Request for Quote 2021-88, Public Works Electrical System Refurbishment

### Res. # 2021-478

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That City Council approve the award of a contract to Miller Maintenance A Division of Miller Paving Ltd. in the amount of \$100,595.00 (plus HST) to refurbish the electrical system at Public Works.

Carried

6.7 2022 Municipal Election - Questions on the Ballot

### Res. # 2021-479

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Report to Council CORP 2021-131 re: 2022 Municipal Election - Questions on the Ballot from Karen McIsaac dated November 8, 2021, be received for information purposes only.

Carried

6.8 Automotive Materials Stewardship Agreement

#### Res. # 2021-480

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That:

1. City Council authorize the execution of an agreement with Automotive Materials Stewardship Inc. to permit the City to continue to receive payment for antifreeze, oil filters and used oil containers collected at the City's Household Hazardous Waste Depot; and

2. an execution by-law be brought forward to the Regular Meeting of Council held November 30, 2021 for three (3) readings.

Carried

6.9 OFMEM Hazardous Materials Team Grant Funds Reconciliation Report

### Res. # 2021-481

Moved by Councillor Brousseau Seconded by Councillor Robertson

That:

1. Council authorize the Mayor, City Clerk and Chief Financial Officer to certify the "Reconciliation Form for Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Funds" (Appendix T) in relation to the Memorandum of Understanding to Establish and Operate Provincial Teams in Support of the Province of Ontario Mutual Aid Plan in Conformance with the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act,* 1997 between the City of North Bay and the Her Majesty the Queen as represented by the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services upon approval by the Chief Financial Officer and the Fire Chief; and  an Execution By-Law be brought forward to the Regular Meeting of Council on Tuesday, November 30, 2021, authorizing the Mayor, City Clerk and Chief Financial Officer to execute the Reconciliation Form for Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Funds on an annual basis.

Carried

6.10 Capital Variance Report as at October 31, 2021

#### Res. # 2021-482

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council:

1. receive the Capital Variance Report as at October 31, 2021, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-137 from Monique Seguin-Russell dated November 16, 2021; and

2. authorize the reserve transfers and budget adjustments, as detailed in Report to Council CORP 2021-137 inclusive of Appendix "A" and "B".

Carried

6.11 General Variance Year-End Projections as at September 30, 2021

#### Res. # 2021-483

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council receive and file the City of North Bay's Year-End Financial Projections for the period ending September 30, 2021, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-123 dated October 20, 2021 from Laura Boissonneault.

#### 6.12 2022 Capital Budget and 2023-2031 Capital Forecast Plan

#### Res. # 2021-484

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council receive and refer the 2022 General Capital Budget and 2022 Water and Wastewater Capital Budget, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-141 dated November 26, 2021 from Shannon Saucier to Committee.

Carried

#### 6.13 2022 Operating Budget

#### Res. # 2021-485

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council receive and refer the 2022 General Operating Budget, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-133 dated November 17, 2021 from Laura Boissonneault to Committee.

Carried

#### 7. By-Laws for Consideration

#### Res. # 2021-486

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That the following by-law(s) be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2021-32 to Regulate Election Signs within the City of North Bay.

By-Law No. 2021-100 to amend By-Law No. 2011-234, being a by-law to Regulate Parking in Municipal Parking Lots - Schedules "B", "C" and "D".

By-Law No. 2021-102 to amend By-Law No. 2010-108, as amended, - Waste Management By-Law.

By-Law No. 2021-103 to authorize the Certification and Execution of the Reconciliation Form for Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Funds between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, operating through the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management with respect to Memorandum of Understanding to establish and operate Provincial Teams in support of the Province of Ontario's Mutual Aid Plan.

By-Law No. 2021-104 to establish 2022 rates or charges for the supply of water and wastewater distribution for domestic. commercial and manufacturing use.

By-Law No. 2021-107 to authorize the execution of the Municipal and First Nations Automotive Materials Services Agreement with Automotive Materials Stewardship Inc. ("AMS").

Carried

### Res. # 2021-487

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That the following by-law(s) be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2021-32 to Regulate Election Signs within the City of North Bay.

By-Law No. 2021-100 to amend By-Law No. 2011-234, being a by-law to Regulate Parking in Municipal Parking Lots - Schedules "B", "C" and "D".

By-Law No. 2021-102 to amend By-Law No. 2010-108, as amended, - Waste Management By-Law.

By-Law No. 2021-103 to authorize the Certification and Execution of the Reconciliation Form for Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Funds between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, operating through the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management with respect to Memorandum of Understanding to establish and operate Provincial Teams in support of the Province of Ontario's Mutual Aid Plan.

By-Law No. 2021-104 to establish 2022 rates or charges for the supply of water and wastewater distribution for domestic. commercial and manufacturing use.

By-Law No. 2021-107 to authorize the execution of the Municipal and First Nations Automotive Materials Services Agreement with Automotive Materials Stewardship Inc. ("AMS").

Carried

### 8. Motions

8.1 Canadian Victoria Cross

# Res. # 2021-488

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

"Whereas Private Jess Larochelle was a member of the Canadian Armed Forces and fought in the War in Afghanistan;

And Whereas in 2006 Private Larochelle defended his units position and saved countless lives in the process demonstrating an unparalleled sense of duty and commitment to his fellow soldiers;

And Whereas Private Larochelle was awarded the Star of Military Valour for his role in the 2006 battle in Afghanistan;

And Whereas a large group of veterans known as Valour in the Presence of the Enemy are requesting that this young hero's Star of Military Valour be upgraded to Canada's highest honour, the Canadian Victoria Cross; And Whereas there is a petition before the Minister of National Defence (e-3636) which aims to upgrade Private Larochelle's Star of Military Valour.

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the City of North Bay endorse the request by local veteran Mike Harrison on behalf of Valour in the Presence of the Enemy to have Private Larochelle awarded the Canadian Victoria Cross.

And Further Be It Resolved that a copy of this motion be forwarded to Governor General Mary Simon, MP Anthony Rota, Minister of National Defence, Anita Anand, Mike Harrison and Valour in the Presence of the Enemy."

# Record of Vote (Upon Request of Councillor Mayne):

Yeas: Councillors Mayne, Bain, King, Maroosis, B. Vrebosch, Mendicino, Brousseau, Robertson, Valenti and Mayor McDonald

Nays: Nil

Carried

### 8.2 Public Health Funding

### Res. # 2021-489

Moved by Councillor Robertson Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

"Whereas direction was provided by the Finance and Property Committee of the Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (Health Unit) at the October 27, 2021 meeting to submit a letter to the Minister of Health related to public health funding for 2022;

And Whereas the Board of Health Chairperson and Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer for the Health Unit submitted the letter as directed, on November 1, 2021.

Therefore be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the City of North Bay endorses the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit letter to the Minister of Health dated November 1, 2021 (attached). And Further be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the City of North Bay urges the Ministry of Health to commit to in writing:

- 1. Extend COVID-19 funding in 2022 for:
- a) COVID-19 Extraordinary Costs; and
- b) COVID-19 Vaccination Extraordinary Costs;

2. Establish funding in 2022 for public health recovery efforts; and

3. Increase provincial funding for public health base budgets with the proportional municipal levy increase needed in 2022 to maintain public health unit capacity.

And Further be it Resolved that a copy of this motion be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health, Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Ontario NDP Party, Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Ontario Green Party, MPP Victor Fedeli, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipal Association, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities and Association francaise des municipalities de l'Ontario."

Health Unit

November 1, 2021 The Honourable Christine Elliott Minister of Health Ministry of Health 777 Bay Street College Park 5th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Elliott:

RE: Public Health Funding for 2022

The Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (Board) commends the government's financial commitment to public health throughout the pandemic. This trust has enabled public health programs and services, critical to the pandemic response, to continue. There is still much to be accomplished as the pandemic evolves. Vital to achieving future successes is the ability to strategically plan for 2022.

Pursuant to the Health Unit's correspondence of June 24, 2021, the Board is again respectfully requesting the Ministry to urgently establish funding expectations for 2022. This is critical for planning purposes for both the Health Unit and the municipalities we serve.

The Board is urging the Ministry of Health to commit in writing to:

- 1. Extend COVID-19 funding in 2022 for:
- a. COVID-19 Extraordinary Costs; and
- b. COVID-19 Vaccination Extraordinary Costs
- 2. Establish funding in 2022 for public health recovery efforts

3. Increase provincial funding for public health base budgets with the proportional municipal levy increase needed in 2022 to maintain public health unit capacity

Health units have had only one base funding increase in the past five years; however, wage and benefit increases and general increases to operating costs due to inflation continue. In addition, two public health union contracts are to be negotiated in 2022 with workforces experiencing recruitment and retention issues. A zero percent increase in base funding for 2022 is untenable if health units are to fulfill the requirements for programs, services, and accountability as delineated in the Ontario Public Health Standards: Requirements for Programs, Services, and Accountability (Standards).

As per the Standards:

"Boards of health are responsible for programs and services in all core function areas, demonstrating accountability to the ministry, and monitoring and measuring the effectiveness, impact and success of their programs and services." Requisite to realizing Ministry expectations to deliver mandated public health programs is a highly skilled and experienced workforce. They are essential to ensuring the future success of entrusted programs such as healthy growth and development, school health, chronic disease prevention and well-being, substance misuse and injury prevention, healthy environments, food safety, infectious and communicable diseases prevention and control, and immunization.

The COVID-19 pandemic has taught us that an able-bodied, prepared public health system is more important than ever. Without a base funding increase, public health's capacity will be diminished, with even harder choices having to be made regarding where we can assist in pandemic recovery and building healthier and sustainable communities. A base funding increase for 2022 is necessary to maintain public health services at status quo.

Your assistance and attention to this pressing matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer Chairperson, Board of Health

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Copy to:

Premier Doug Ford Hon. Helen Angus, Deputy Minister of Health Chief Medical Officer of Health Elizabeth Walker, Director, Public Health Accountability and Liaison Branch Collen Kiel, Director, Public Health Strategy and Planning Branch Vic Fedeli, MPP, Nipissing Norm Miller, MPP, Parry Sound-Muskoka John Vanthof, MPP, Timiskaming-Cochrane Ontario Boards of Health Member Municipalities (31) Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) Council of Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) Andrea Horwath, New Democratic Party of Ontario, Leader, Official Opposition Steven Del Duca, Ontario Liberal Party Mike Schreiner, Green Party of Ontario Jim Karahalios, New Blue Party of Ontario

Carried

### 9. In-Camera Correspondence

#### Res. # 2021-490

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council adjourn in-camera pursuant to section 239.(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended at 7:07 p.m. for the following reasons:

Item 9.2, being personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees;

Item 9.3, being solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and

Item 9.4, being a proposed disposition of land.

Carried

#### Res. # 2021-491

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council reconvene at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

9.2 Confidential report from Jenn Montreuil dated October 25, 2021 re Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

# Res. # 2021-492

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council appoint Councillor Mendicino to the Cassellholme – East Nipissing Home for the Aged Board for a term to expire November 14, 2022.

Carried

9.3 Confidential report from Peter Leckie dated November 15, 2021 re Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

# Res. # 2021-493

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to write a letter to The Municipality of the Corporation of Callander to advise it that The Corporation of the City of North Bay does not wish to extend the agreement for the provision of policing services as between The Corporation of the Municipality of Callander, The Corporation of the City of North Bay and The North Bay Police Services Board and further that such letter be copied to The North Bay Police Services Board.

Carried

# **10.** Giving Notice (Notice of Motion)

# **11.** Confirmatory By-Law

# Res. # 2021-494

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2021-101 to confirm proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 30, 2021.

Carried

# Res. # 2021-495

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Brousseau

That the following by-law be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2021-101 to confirm proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 30, 2021.

Carried

# 12. Adjournment

### Res. # 2021-496

Moved by Councillor Bain Seconded by Councillor Maroosis

That this Regular Meeting of Council do now adjourn at 7:32 p.m.

Carried

Mayor Allan McDonald

City Clerk Karen McIsaac