



Minutes

Owen Sound City Council

November 1, 2021

City Hall - 808 2nd Avenue East

3:30 p.m. - Closed Session - Council Chambers

7:00 p.m. - Open Session - Council Chambers

MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Mayor Ian Boddy
Deputy Mayor Brian O'Leary
Councillor Travis Dodd
Councillor Scott Greig
Councillor Brock Hamley
Councillor Marion Koepke
Councillor Carol Merton
Councillor John Tamming
Councillor Richard Thomas

STAFF PRESENT:

Tim Simmonds, City Manager
Kate Allan, Director of Corporate Services
Pam Coulter, Director of Community Services
Dennis Kefalas, Director of Public Works and Engineering
Melissa Clancy, Human Resources Manager
Briana Bloomfield, City Clerk
Jamie Eckenswiler, Deputy Clerk

The meeting convened in Open Session at 3:30 p.m. with the above noted Council and staff members present except Councillor Hamley, the City Manager, Director of Corporate Services, Director of Community Services, and Director of Public Works and Engineering.

1. RESOLUTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

R-211101-001

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

"THAT City Council now move into 'Closed Session' to consider:

- a. Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Council meeting held on October 18, 2021;
- b. One matter regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal employees respecting a performance review; and
- c. Three matters regarding third party information supplied in confidence to the municipality, a proposed or pending disposition of land by the municipality, and a position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to negotiations respecting a City property."

Carried.

2. DECLARATION TO MOVE TO THE OPEN SESSION

The business of the Closed Session having been completed, Mayor Boddy adjourned the Closed Session at 6:18 p.m. Council moved to the Regular Council meeting at 7:00

p.m. All Council and staff members listed above were present except the Human Resources Manager.

Mayor Boddy noted that this is the last Council meeting prior to Remembrance Day and asked that Council and staff rise to observe a moment of silence in memory of our veterans.

Mayor Boddy advised that City Council must move back into Closed Session at this time to deal with one outstanding urgent matter.

R-211101-002

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

“THAT City Council move back into closed session to consider an urgent matter regarding a proposed or pending disposition of land by the municipality respecting a City property.”

Carried.

The business of the second Closed Session having been completed, Mayor Boddy adjourned the Closed Session at 7:06 p.m. Council immediately moved to the Regular Council meeting. All Council and staff members listed above were present. The Human Resources Manager was also present.

3. REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Boddy advised that in Closed Session City Council:

- Reviewed minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Council meeting held on October 18, 2021;
- Discussed one matter regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal employees respecting a performance review and direction was provided; and
- Discussed three matters regarding third party information supplied in confidence to the municipality, a proposed or pending disposition of land by the municipality, and a position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to negotiations respecting a City property and no direction was provided to staff.

Mayor Boddy advised that during the second Closed Session City Council discussed one matter regarding a proposed or pending disposition of land by the municipality respecting a City property, and no direction was provided to staff.

4. CALL FOR ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- 4.a Councillor Thomas Re: Tom Thomson Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee
- 4.b Councillor Merton Re: Youth Advisory Council
- 4.c Deputy Mayor O'Leary Re: Question for the Director of Public Works and Engineering and Recent Event Attendance
- 4.d Councillor Tamming Re: Zonta Club Event
- 4.e Mayor Boddy Re: Mayor's Update

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES

- 6.a Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Council meeting held on October 18, 2021

R-211101-003

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

"THAT the minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Council meeting held on October 18, 2021 as printed be adopted."

Carried.

- 6.b Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on October 18, 2021

R-211101-004

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on October 18, 2021 as printed be adopted."

Carried.

7. MOTION TO MOVE COUNCIL INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

R-211101-005

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

"THAT City Council now move into Committee of the Whole to consider public meetings, deputations and presentations, public question period, matters arising from correspondence, reports of City staff, consent agenda, committee minutes, matters postponed, motions for which notice was previously given and additional business."

Carried.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

8. PUBLIC MEETINGS

There were no public meetings.

9. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 9.a Presentation from Mayor Boddy Re: Volunteer of the Year Award

Mayor Boddy recognized Thom and Pat McDonough as the co-recipients of the 2021 Volunteer of the Year Award. Mayor Boddy noted that Thom McDonough was nominated by OSHaRE where he has held a number of positions since 2015. Among other volunteer commitments, he has volunteered up to 70 hours in one week during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic. Described by his peers as "volunteering with a genuine smile, you know he cares".

Mayor Boddy advised that Pat McDonough was also nominated by OSHaRE where he has held several positions since 2013. Described by his peers as "approachable, dependable and willing to struggle and serve". Pat continues to spend 6-7 days each week volunteering where his colleagues say, "he's a blessing and when you are in his company, you feel perhaps that you are a blessing too".

Next, Mayor Boddy recognized Jan Chamberlain as the recipient of the 2021 Senior Volunteer of the Year Award. Mayor Boddy noted that Jan Chamberlain has an extensive volunteer history through a number of different boards over 25

years. Described by her peers as “professional and bringing a compassionate voice to everything she is involved with”, “changemaker”, “strong sense of judgement and compassion” and enthusiastic and tireless in her efforts to educate others”.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from members of the public.

11. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR WHICH DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS REQUIRED

There were no correspondence items presented for consideration.

12. REPORTS OF CITY STAFF

- 12.a Report CM-21-028 from the City Manager Re: Disposition of the Owen Sound Billy Bishop Regional Airport Property

The City Manager provided an overview of the report and Mayor Boddy read a statement from the proposed new owner.

R-211101-006

Moved by Councillor Hamley

"THAT in consideration of Staff Report CM-21-028 respecting the disposition of the Owen Sound Billy Bishop Regional Airport property, City Council directs staff to bring forward a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the documents necessary to complete the land sale transaction."

Carried.

- 12.b Report CR-21-105 from the Human Resources Manager Re: Appointment of Fire Chief – Owen Sound Fire and Emergency Services

The Human Resources Manager provided an overview of the report and Council thanked the retired Fire Chief for his many years of service to the community.

R-211101-007

Moved by Councillor Thomas

"THAT in consideration of Staff Report CR-21-105 respecting Appointment of Fire Chief – Owen Sound Fire and Emergency Services, City Council directs staff to bring forward a by-law to amend Appointed Officers By-law No. 2015-054 to remove Doug Barfoot as Fire Chief and appoint Phil Eagleson as Fire Chief."

Carried.

The Human Resources Manager left the meeting at this time.

- 12.c Report CR-21-107 from the Director of Corporate Services Re: Purpose Built Rental Conditional Development Charges Exemption Agreement – 2261 9th Avenue East

The Director of Corporate Services provided an overview of the report.

R-211101-008

Moved by Councillor Thomas

"THAT in consideration of Staff Report CR-21-107 respecting Purpose Built Rental Conditional Development Charges Exemption Agreement for 2261 9th Avenue East, City Council directs staff to bring forward a by-law to authorize the Treasurer to sign a Purpose Built Rental Conditional

Development Charges Exemption Agreement associated with 2261 9th Avenue East."

Carried.

- 12.d Report OP-21-039 from the Manager of Engineering Services Re: Connecting Link Funding Application – Intake 7 – 2022-2023 – Highway 26-16th Street East – Rehabilitation Phase 2

The Director of Public Works and Engineering provided an overview of the report.

R-211101-009

Moved by Councillor Dodd

"THAT in consideration of Staff Report OP-21-039 respecting Connecting Link Funding Application – Intake 7 – 2022-2023 – Highway 26-16th Street East – Rehabilitation Phase 2, City Council:

- 1. Approves the Connecting Link Funding Programme – Intake 7 – 2022-2023 Application for Highway 26-16th Street East – 16th Avenue East to 18th Avenue East – Rehabilitation Phase 2 Project in the amount of \$650,000, excluding HST rebate in total eligible project costs, with Ministry of Transportation Ontario (MTO) funding request of 90% of eligible expense or \$585,000, excluding HST rebate;**
- 2. If successful, directs staff to bring forward a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the documents necessary to enter into a funding agreement with the Ministry of Transportation Ontario (MTO) for Highway 26-16th Street East – 16th Avenue East to 18th Avenue East – Rehabilitation Phase 2; and**
- 3. Directs staff to notify Bill Walker, MPP that the City is submitting a Connecting Link Funding Application as noted in the report."**

Carried.

- 12.e Verbal Report from the Deputy Mayor Re: Grey County Council

Deputy Mayor O'Leary advised that he had no information to report from Grey County Council.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

- 13.a Report CR-21-095 from the City Clerk Re: Comments on 2021 Procedural By-law Update
- 13.b Report CR-21-104 from the Manager of Legislative Services Re: Encroachment Application – 1737 4th Avenue East
- 13.c Report CS-21-138 from the Director of Community Services Re: Permit to Discharge Fireworks and Extension to Agreement – Festival of Northern Lights 2021
- 13.d Minutes of Boards and Committees for Receipt Re: Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board meeting held on September 22, 2021
- 13.e Minutes of Boards and Committees for Receipt Re: Owen Sound and North Grey Union Public Library Board meeting held on June 24, 2021
- 13.f Minutes of Boards and Committees for Receipt Re: Owen Sound Housing Company meeting held on September 21, 2021
- 13.g Minutes of Boards and Committees for Receipt Re: Owen Sound Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation meeting held on September 21, 2021
- 13.h Community Flag Flying Request Re: Pflag Owen Sound

13.i Final approvals issued for the following Business Licences:

- Owen Sound iRepair, a computer sales and service business has relocated to 278 8th Street East
- Troy Life and Fire Safety Ltd. has relocated to 1042 2nd Avenue East with a storage location at 1104 7th Street East
- Canadian Mental Health Association to operate Fresh Roots Café from 1024 2nd Avenue East
- Opportunity Bridal, a Hawker Peddler to operate a pop-up wedding dress sale at the Best Western on Thursday November 4, 2021

13.j Correspondence received which is presented for the information of Council

R-211101-010

Moved by Councillor Thomas

"THAT City Council receives Items 13.a to 13.j on the Consent Agenda dated November 1, 2021, and further

THAT the recommendation contained in Items 13.a to 13.c be approved."

Carried.

14. COMMITTEE MINUTES WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL

14.a Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on October 20, 2021

R-211101-011

Moved by Councillor Koepke

"THAT the minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on October 20, 2021 be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved."

Carried.

14.b Minutes of the Corporate Services Committee meeting held on October 28, 2021

R-211101-012

Moved by Councillor Dodd

"THAT the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee meeting held on October 28, 2021 be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved."

Carried.

14.c Minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on October 12, 2021

Councillor Hamley advised that Resolution OC-211012-005 contained within the October 12, 2021 Operations Committee minutes requires an amendment to reference Waste Watchers rather than Water Watchers.

R-211101-013

Moved by Councillor Hamley

"THAT the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on October 12, 2021, as amended be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved."

Carried.

- 14.d Minutes of the Tom Thomson Art Gallery Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee meeting held on October 13, 2021

R-211101-014

Moved by Councillor Thomas

"THAT the minutes of the Tom Thomson Art Gallery Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee meeting held on October 13, 2021 be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved."

Carried.

15. MATTERS POSTPONED

There were no postponed matters.

16. MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE WAS PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

- 16.a Motion for Which Notice was Previously Given by Deputy Mayor O'Leary at the October 18, 2021 Regular Council meeting:

R-211101-015

Moved by Deputy Mayor O'Leary

"THAT in consideration of the recent installation of the Grandmother Sturgeon Sculpture for the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden at Kelso Beach Park, City Council directs staff to:

- 1. Contact the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden Committee respecting the addition of an interpretive plaque or other educational device near the grandmother sturgeon sculpture;**
- 2. Report back to the Community Services Committee with options and costs related to the addition of an interpretive plaque or other educational device; and**
- 3. Allocate \$7,500 in the draft 2022 budget for a proposed interpretive plaque or educational device."**

Carried.

17. DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- 17.a Tom Thomson Art Gallery Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee

Councillor Thomas advised that the Tom Thomson Art Gallery Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee has recently been discussing the expansion of the Committee mandate to include additional potential gallery sites rather than solely trying to redevelop and expand on the existing site. Councillor Thomas added that a motion respecting an expansion of the Ad Hoc Committee's mandate was passed by the Committee on October 29, 2021, but the minutes will not come before Council for approval until November 29, 2021. Due to the time sensitive nature of this Committee's mandate, Councillor Thomas put forward the following motions.

R-211101-016

Moved by Councillor Thomas

"THAT City Council waives the notice of motion provision in the Procedural By-law to discuss a time sensitive matter relating to the mandate of the Tom Thomson Art Gallery Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee."

Carried.

"THAT City Council directs staff to bring forward a by-law to amend the Board and Committee By-law to expand the Tom Thomson Art Gallery Facility Expansion Ad Hoc Committee's mandate to include the investigation of alternate sites in addition to and in tandem with the exploration of potential development opportunities at the gallery's current site."

Carried.

17.b Youth Advisory Council

Councillor Merton advised that she attended a virtual workshop hosted by the Arran-Elderslie Youth Advisory Council. The Youth Advisory Council was formed in 2019 as a result of the municipality's economic goals to develop youth engagement opportunities. Councillor Merton advised that she was impressed by the commitment and excitement of the Youth Council members and their positive view of their community. Youth retention, education, exposure, and representation are important ways to encourage growth. Councillor Merton added that municipalities across the province have found Youth Councils to be an effective youth engagement and retention strategy. Youth are more likely to return to a community after post-secondary education, or stay in the community after discovering and experiencing the opportunities available to them in their formative years.

Councillor Merton advised that municipal governments can provide leadership by nurturing a sense of belonging for young people in their communities through the creation of meaningful experience that empower youth advocacy and involvement. In Owen Sound, youth engagement has been identified as part of the strategic plan refresh under 'prosperous city'. Municipal councils and staff can facilitate community connections between the youth, different communities, and create potential pathways for young people to return to their communities after leaving for work or study. Councillor Merton encouraged the Youth Council to connect with the City of Owen Sound to make a presentation on Youth Advisory Councils and municipal involvement.

17.c Recent Event Attendance and Question for the Director of Public Works and Engineering

Deputy Mayor O'Leary asked the Director of Public Works and Engineering when a report on the 10th Street Bridge will be coming forward. The Director of Public Works and Engineering advised that the report will be presented to the Operations Committee on Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

Deputy Mayor O'Leary advised that he recently attended an event put on by the Optimist Club that featured Kaleb Dahlgren, a survivor of the Humboldt Broncos bus crash. Deputy Mayor O'Leary noted that Kaleb is an advocate for those with diabetes, and serves as an inspiration for trying to help his fellow teammates after the bus crash despite being severely injured himself.

17.d Zonta Club Event

Councillor Tamming advised that he was recently invited to attend the Zonta Club's 35th Anniversary event as a representative of City Council. Councillor Tamming noted that the Zonta Club is a local women's group that advocates for women's rights throughout Canada and the world. The Zonta Club is currently growing its operation and is always looking for more volunteers.

17.e Mayor's Update

Mayor Boddy advised that he and the City Manager recently toured Hydrogen Optimized. Mayor Boddy noted that the \$22 million dollar program at Hydrogen Optimized achieved a significant milestone on the path to becoming the world's largest green hydrogen production systems that will be manufactured in Owen Sound. Mayor Boddy advised that hydrogen is expected to account for approximately 25% of the solution as we move forward to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2050.

Mayor Boddy advised that he recently joined City staff and some Councillors in participating in an annual emergency exercise. This exercise allowed those involved to review the roles they would play in the event of an emergency. Mayor Boddy thanked the City's Emergency Management Coordinator for organizing this exercise.

Mayor Boddy noted that he recently attended the Billy Bishop Museum's 21st Annual 'Honouring Our Local Veterans' at the Owen Sound Legion and noted all those who were honoured at the ceremony.

Mayor Boddy advised that he and the City Manager will be touring the Nuclear Innovation Institute to explore innovation and economic opportunities in the area to see if the City can learn from them. The Nuclear Innovation Institute seeks to find ways, and takes advantage of clean power.

Mayor Boddy noted that November 11 is Remembrance Day, adding that ceremonies will be taking place and that more details will be provided once COVID-19 safety plans have been completed. Remembrance Day ceremonies can be viewed on Rogers cable and heard on CFOS.

Mayor Boddy advised that Council has a busy meeting schedule in November starting with the 2022 budget meeting taking place on November 12, 2021. There will be no Regular Council meeting on November 15, but rather, a Special Meeting commencing at 4:30 p.m. There will be a Special Meeting on November 22 for the annual meeting between the City of Owen Sound and the Police Services Board.

Lastly, Mayor Boddy noted that the 26th Annual Kiwanis Santa Claus Parade will be taking place on Saturday, November 20, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Festival of Northern Lights fireworks at 6:00 p.m.

18. MOTION THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RISE AND REPORT

R-211101-018

Moved by Councillor Thomas

"THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report."

Carried.

FORMAL SESSION

19. MOTION TO ADOPT PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

R-211101-019

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

"THAT the action taken in Committee of the Whole in considering public meetings, deputations and presentations, public question period, matters arising from correspondence, reports of City staff, consent agenda, committee minutes, matters postponed, motions for which notice was previously given and additional business be confirmed by this Council."

Carried.

20. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

21. BY-LAWS

21.a By-law No. 2021-121

"A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound held on the 1st day of November, 2021"

21.b By-law No. 2021-122

"A By-law to authorize the Treasurer to execute an agreement with Farm Credit Canada (FCC) and the Owen Sound Agricultural Society respecting funding through the FCC AgriSpirit Fund (Victoria Park grandstands)"

21.c By-law No. 2021-123

"A By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees"

21.d By-law No. 2021-124

"A By-law to authorize the Treasurer to execute a licence agreement with the Canadian Mental Health Association respecting the Fresh Roots Forest and Gardens Program (East Harbour Wall and St. George's Park)"

21.e By-law No. 2021-125

"A By-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an amending agreement with Pattison Outdoor Advertising LP, by its general partner Pattison Outdoor Advertising Ltd. respecting transit advertising"

21.f By-law No. 2021-126

"A By-law to amend Appointed Officers By-law No. 2015-054 to appoint Philip Eagleson as the Fire Chief for The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound"

21.g By-law No. 2021-127

"A By-law to authorize the Treasurer to execute a Conditional Development Charges Exemption Agreement with AGW Properties Inc. respecting a rental housing development on property located at 2261 9th Avenue East (ST2020-010 Hedera)"

21.h By-law No. 2021-128

"A By-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the Billy Bishop Airport lands to Clayton Smith on behalf of a company to be incorporated"

R-211101-020

Moved by Councillor Thomas

Seconded by Councillor Dodd

"THAT By-law Numbers 2021-121, 2021-122, 2021-123, 2021-124, 2021-125, 2021-126, 2021-127, and 2021-128 be passed and enacted."

Carried.

22. ADJOURNMENT

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Mayor Boddy adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Mayor Ian C. Boddy

Briana M. Bloomfield, City Clerk