

Minutes

Operations Committee

December 6, 2022, 5:30 p.m. City Hall - 808 2nd Avenue East - Council Chambers

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Chair Scott Greig

Member Roger Bloom Member Paul Foster Councillor Brock Hamley

Member Bill King

Councillor Marion Koepke Member Edward Marchewka Member Meghan Robertson

Councillor Jon Farmer

STAFF PRESENT: Tim Simmonds, City Manager

Pam Coulter, Director of Community Services Chris Webb, Manager of Engineering Services

Matt Prentice, Manager of Public Works

Adam Parsons, Manager of Parks and Open Space

Rick Chappell, Associate Supervisor of Environmental Services Ashley Ford, Water and Wastewater Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greig called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. CALL FOR ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- 2.a Associate Supervisor of Environmental Services Re: Transit Update
- 2.b Chair Greig Re: Road Resurfacing
- 2.c Chair Greig Re: November Snow Event
- 2.d Chair Greig Re: January Operations Committee Meeting

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.a Councillor Hamley - Correspondence Provided for Information Re: Decision Notification Re: EA Requirements for Advanced Recycling Facilities from MOECP - November 28, 2022

Councillor Hamley declared a conflict of interest with Item 11.a due to his employment at the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.a Minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on November 8, 2022

OC-221208-001 Moved by Member Foster

"THAT the Operations Committee approves the minutes of the meeting held on November 8, 2022."

Carried.

5. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.a Deputation from Robert Lutz and Bruce Ronald Re: Parking Concerns on 1st Street East at Harrison Park

Mr. Lutz provided photographs to the Committee with some requests with respect to aesthetics and public safety at the entrance to Harrison Park.

Mr. Lutz noted the following concerns:

- The stone around the entrance wall is falling off;
- Hedge trimming is needed;
- The pathway is being obstructed by snow piles in the winter months;
- Signage should be added to prohibit vehicles from parking on the grass;
 and
- There should be dog bags and signage at the park entrance.

Committee thanked Mr. Lutz for his deputation and suggestions as to how to improve the entrance to Harrison Park.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR WHICH DIRECTION IS REQUIRED

There were no correspondence items presented for consideration.

8. REPORTS OF CITY STAFF

8.a Engineering

8.a.1 Report OP-22-047 from Engineering Technologist Re: Source Protection
Plan - Part IV Enforcement Transfer Agreement - City of Owen Sound and
Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

The Manager of Engineering Services provided an overview of the Source Protection Plan to the Committee.

OC-221208-002 Moved by Councillor Koepke

"THAT in consideration of Staff Report OP-22-047 respecting Source Protection Plan – Part IV Enforcement Transfer Agreement – City of Owen Sound and Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA), the Operations Committee recommends that City Council directs staff to bring forward a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an agreement with the GSCA for the provision of Source Water Protection services on the City's behalf in accordance with Part IV of the Clean Water Act, 2006."

Carried.

8.b Environment

None.

8.c Public Works

None.

8.d Transit

None.

8.e Water and Wastewater

None.

9. MATTERS POSTPONED

There were no matters postponed.

10. MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE WAS PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

There were no motions for which notice was previously given.

Having declared a conflict of interest with Item. 11.a, Councillor Hamley left the Council Chambers at this time.

11. CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION

11.a Decision Notification Re EA Requirements for Advanced Recycling Facilities from MOECP - November 28, 2022

Committee asked if this applies to the City of Owen Sound specifically. Staff explained that there is a class EA process to modify, expand, or construct new waste management facilities. This notice is specific to thermal treatment, and proponents can now bring forward this type of technology to be considered.

OC-221208-003

Moved by Member Foster

"THAT in consideration of correspondence provided for information purposes listed on the December 6, 2022, Operations Committee agenda, the Operations Committee recommends that City Council receive Item 11.a for information purposes."

Carried.

Councillor Hamley returned to his chair.

12. DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

12.a Transit Update

The Associate Supervisor of Environmental Services provided a Transit Update and noted the following:

- The new service provider is providing marketing and branding opportunities such as decorating a transit bus for the Santa Claus Parade;
- The permanent fleet should be arriving in mid to late January 2023;
- Consat, the new data management software, will be installed on the new fleet busses and will provide both data to staff and audio/announcements for passengers with an opportunity to possibly have an app later on that shows when and where the bus is: and
- The Accessibility Committee has a project underway to look at the Mobility Transit Application and how it can be streamlined.

12.b Road Resurfacing

Chair Greig requested that staff provide an overview of the road resurfacing process. Committee requested that staff look into the upcoming work plan in order to bump up resurfacing earlier in the year to avoid poor weather, as well as they would like to see the asphalt resurfacing list come to Committee as well as Council.

12.c November Snow Event

Chair Greig requested that staff provide an overview of the storm event that took place in November. The Manager of Public Works provided a summary to Committee that included the need to call in the seasonal employees early, the declaration of the storm event, and the clean up after the storm subsided.

12.d January Operations Committee Meeting

Committee requested the January Operations Committee scheduled for Thursday, January 19, 2023, be moved to another day due to the Hockey Day in Canada event taking place during that week.

Staff advised that an alternate date will be arranged with the required notice being provided.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Chair Greig adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.