

**Minutes of
Committee of the Whole
Tuesday, January 15, 2013 – 3:07 p.m.**

Those in attendance were Mayor Donaldson, Councillors Cairns, Colhoun, Donoghue, Jorgensen, King, Lorenz and Watson.

Councillor Bratty had previously advised that she would be absent from the meeting.

Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer D. Weldon, Community Events Facilitator and Marketing Assistant A. Taylor, Director of Development Services S. Lucas, Director of Infrastructure and Community Services G. Carleton, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer K. Watson, Facilities Maintenance Coordinator T. Irwin, Planner J. Rand, Trails Technician K. Bruce, and Director of Legislative Services/Clerk C. Thwaites.

I. Closed Session - Nil

II. Adoption of Agenda

Mayor Donaldson advised that there was the addition of a resolution to adopt the Rotation Schedule for the Committee Chairs and that a request had been received from Bob Clarke to appear as a Deputation.

Committee agreed.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen
Seconded by Councillor Donoghue

Recommendation “A”

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda as presented to Committee of the Whole on January 15th, 2013 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Cairns
Seconded by Councillor King

Recommendation “B”

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rotational Schedule for Committee of Whole Chair, as attached, be adopted for the remainder of the 2010 – 2014 Term of Council;

AND FURTHER THAT in the event that the scheduled Chair is not available, either the Mayor or the Deputy Mayor will assume the Chair.

CARRIED.

III. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Lorenz declared a pecuniary interest with regard to Item No. 4 (Temporary Borrowing By-law) under the Consent Agenda.

IV. Working Session – Nil

V. Deputations

1. Public Meeting re: Naming of Roads – Xavier St. and North Xavier St.

Mayor Donaldson advised that in accordance with the *Municipal Act* and prior to passing a by-law to adopt the name of a road the municipality is required to hold a public meeting. She inquired whether any member of the public wished to make a presentation. There was no one present wishing to make a presentation.

2. Tara Gregor re: YMCA Update

Ms. Gregor provided an update of the activities of the YMCA through a power point presentation. She provided information including the strategic direction of the organization, the activities throughout the first year of operation, the new programs to be introduced in 2013, the number of volunteers and employees and that they had just reached 2,030 members for the Gravenhurst site.

3. Marg McLaughlin, Winter Carnival re: Request for Fee Waiver

Ms. McLaughlin explained that this would be the fourth year since the Winter Carnival had been re-established and provided an outline of the various activities planned and the facilities to be utilized for this year. Ms. McLaughlin explained that the Committee was still not able to cover the fees for renting the various venues and requested that Council consider waiving those fees.

4. Bob Clarke, Snowmobile Task Force

Mr. Clarke advised that the Task Force had reviewed the staff report, held a special meeting and explained that the recommendations contained within the staff report did not reflect the recommendations of the Task Force. Mr. Clarke advised that the Snowmobile Club did not want to purchase the lands from the municipality but prefers to lease the lands and explained that the Club would be prepared to pay taxes on the property but that it wasn't feasible for the Snowcrest Riders to pay all of the applicable fees. Mr. Clarke requested that the matter be deferred in order that the parties go back and look at the option of leasing the property.

VI. Consent Agenda

Moved by Councillor Watson
Seconded by Councillor Donoghue

Recommendation "C"

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all items contained on the Consent Agenda as presented on January 15th, 2013 be approved:

1. Resolution of Support-Bracebridge;
 2. Violence Free Muskoka;
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3. Appointment of Freedom of Information Head;
4. Temporary Borrowing and Levy By-law;
5. Deeming #06-2012 (Portelli);
6. Deeming #07-2012 (Bowman);
7. SRC #09-2012 (Bowman);
8. SRC #10-2012 (Sparrow Lake Estates);
9. Fire Dispatch Agreement.

CARRIED.

VII. Unfinished Business - Nil

VIII. New Business

1. Municipal Heritage Committee 2012 Year End Report & 2013 Work Plan

Mr. Hank Smith, Chair, presented the 2012 Year End Report along with the proposed Work Plan for 2013 through a power point presentation. Mr. Smith highlighted the events planned for 2013.

Moved by Councillor Cairns
Seconded by Councillor Lorenz

Recommendation “D”

WHEREAS the Committee passed a resolution on November 18, 2008, to establish a Municipal Heritage Committee.

AND WHEREAS the Committee is now seeking advice and direction from Council on the Committee's role and objectives for 2013;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee hereby approves the Municipal Heritage Committee Work Plan for 2013.

CARRIED.

The Facilities Maintenance Coordinator arrived at 4:00 p.m.

2. GEAC 2012 Year End Report & 2013 Work Plan

Mr. Paul Kelly, Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee, presented the 2012 Year End Report along with the proposed Work Plan for 2013 through a power point presentation. Mr. Kelly outlined the mandate of the Committee, the various transitions the Committee had experienced and the various projects being worked on for the coming year.

Moved by Councillor Donoghue
Seconded by Councillor Colhoun

Recommendation “E”

WHEREAS the Development Services Committee passed a resolution on November 18, 2008, to establish an Gravenhurst Environmental Advisory Committee;

AND WHEREAS the Committee is now seeking advice and direction from the Council on the Committee's role and objectives for 2013;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee hereby approves the Gravenhurst Environmental Advisory Committee Work Plan for 2013.

CARRIED

Planner, J. Rand, left the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

3. Snowmobile Task Force Workplan Implementation Comments

A lengthy discussion ensued with regard to leasing the property opposed to selling the property, the fees involved with any development, whether the Task Force had completed their mandate and the liability concerns that had been raised.

Moved by Councillor Watson and seconded by Councillor Colhoun that the matter be deferred.

Deferral CARRIED

4. Gravenhurst Winter Carnival Fee Waiver 2013

A brief discussion ensued and it was requested that a resolution be considered at the Council Meeting.

5. Carnegie Tender Award

A brief discussion ensued with regard to the increase in costs, whether the design and tendering costs were included in the revised amount, the benefits of completing the accessibility requirements on the building now rather than waiting, the benefits to the downtown to have the renovations completed and the proposed tenant relocating to the downtown and the increase in traffic to the downtown.

Moved by Councillor Watson
Seconded by Councillor Jorgensen

Recommendation “F”

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Committee endorses the recommendation of Peter Archer and Associates to award the tender for the Terrence Haight Carnegie Centre to Bertram Construction at a tender cost of \$633,034.52.

CARRIED.

IX. Closed Session – Nil

X. Adjournment

On verbal motion by Councillors Colhoun and Cairns, the meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk