## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ELLIOT LAKE

**Minutes** of a regular meeting of the Council of The Corporation of The City of Elliot Lake, held in Council Chambers on Monday, January 13, 2014 at the hour of 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mr. R. Hamilton Mayor

Mr. A. Collett

Mr. C. Patrie

Mr. N. Mann

Mr. K. Rastin

Mr. T. Farquhar

Mrs. S. Finamore

Councillor

Councillor

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Mr. R. deBortoli Chief Administrative Officer

Ms. D. Halcrow City Treasurer Mr. P. Officer Fire Chief

Mr. S. McGhee Manager of Environmental Services

Ms. L. Sprague City Clerk

Mr. D. Briggs The Standard

Councillor Collett declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Agenda item 11. Cheque Register and in particular cheque number 58649 on cheque write no. 12/19/13-1 as the cheque was payable to his employer.

Councillor Patrie declared a direct pecuniary interest with respect to Agenda item 11. Cheque Register and in particular, cheque number 58684 on cheque write no. 12/19/13-1 as the cheque was payable to his employer.

Councillor Rastin advised that there may be a potential conflict with respect to item 8.1).

Moved By: Mr. A. Collett Resol. 1/14
Seconded By: Mr. T. Farquhar Minutes

That the following minutes be adopted as read:

December 9, 2013 – Regular.

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann

Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie

Resol. 2/14

Minutes

That the following minutes be adopted as read:

December 23, 2013 – Special.

Carried.

The City Clerk read out Resolution 542/13 passed following the closed session of the December 23, 2013 Council meeting.

Moved By: Mr. C. Patrie Seconded By: Mr. N. Mann

Whereas the Government of Ontario has reintroduced a twoyear bear management pilot project under which a limited bear hunt will occur in Northern Ontario; and

Whereas this proposal will exclude most of our municipality, a large portion of which is in WMU37 and WMU38; and

Whereas our municipality has experienced an increase in bear problems; and

Whereas other municipalities in WMU37 have experienced additional bear problems related to the agricultural segment in WMU37; now

Therefore be it resolved that the City of Elliot Lake petition the provincial government to extend this pilot project to WMU37 and WMU38.

Carried.

Thanks to those who attended the Mayor's Levy and the Children's New Years party was alot of fun.

Thanks to the staff for delivering the 2014 budget.

Proclamation was read: January 2014 as "National Alzheimer Awareness Month".

Item 8.1) Letter addressed to the White Mountain Academy Board was read.

Item 8.2) The Chief Administrative Officer advised that documentation would be forwarded to the City from Elliot Lake Retirement Living.

Moved By: Mr. C. Patrie

Seconded By: Mr. T. Farquhar

That the Council of the City of Elliot Lake adopt the 2014 Budget, being a 3.1% increase over 2013; and

That \$100,000 be added to the 2014 Budget for Physician Recruitment as recommended by the Ad Hoc Budget Committee in their Resolution 2014-17 dated December 12, 2013.

An amendment to the motion was introduced:

Moved By: Mr. K. Rastin Seconded By: Mr. N. Mann

That the proposed Budget be amended by removing the additional IT position and the part-time Finance position from the Budget and re-allocate the savings to the infrastructure reserve.

Resol. 3/14 Support for reintroduction of the Spring Bear Hunt

Mayors Report

Resol. 4/14 Amendment to proposed 2014 Budget At the request of Councillor Rastin, the following roll call vote was recorded:

#### In Favour

Councillor Patrie Councillor Mann Councillor Rastin

Mayor Hamilton

### Not In Favour

Councillor Farquhar Councillor Finamore Councillor Collett Carried.

Moved By: Mr. C. Patrie Seconded By: Mr. T. Farquhar

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That the additional IT position and the part-time Finance position be removed from the Budget and the savings reallocated to the infrastructure reserve.

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call vote was recorded:

### <u>In Favour</u>

Councillor Patrie Councillor Mann Councillor Rastin Councillor Farquhar Mayor Hamilton

## Not In Favour

Councillor Collett Councillor Finamore Carried.

Moved By: Mrs. S. Finamore Seconded By: Mr. N. Mann

Whereas municipal Building Officials are the main practitioners of the Ontario Building Code (OBC) and use the OBC on a daily basis in the carrying out of their duties; and

Whereas Bill 124 that passed in 2005 required all municipal

Resol. 5/14 Main Motion as amended

Resol. 6/14 Negative impact of O.Reg 332/12 - Additional cost to requalify building officials building officials to undertake a series of qualification exams; and

Whereas a subsequent regulation 332/12 (knowledge and maintenance examinations) requires our already qualified officials to requalify by taking a similar series of qualification exams again; and

Whereas this requalification process will provide municipalities with financial hardships in terms of registration costs, mileage costs, days away from the office to undertake their regular duties in performing timely inspections that is expected by the building industry; and

Whereas municipal building officials acknowledge the need to stay current with legislation and to undergo necessary training to do so; and

Whereas, the builders and home owners will suffer slower response time for building permits and inspections until all of the building officials are qualified; now

Therefore The Corporation of the City of Elliot Lake, in support of the Southwestern Chapter of the Ontario Building Officials Association resolves:

That any amendments to the OBC include provisions for training opportunities rather than requalification examinations as the means by which building officials remain current of changes to the OBC; and

That municipal building officials, as the primary practitioners of the OBC, receive the same treatment as plumbers, electricians, professional engineers and architects with regards to exemption from requalification; and

That the negative impact and delays that Ontario regulation 332/12 will have on the issuance of permits, inspections and response times to inquiries by municipal building officials should be taken into consideration; and

That municipalities and taxpayers be spared the cost of "knowledge and maintenance examinations" under the proposed amendment to the OBC which will provide undue hardship to municipalities through lost productivity, early retirement and costs associated with the 13 categories of examinations required by fully qualified inspectors. Carried.

Moved By: Mr. A. Collett Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie

That the Council of the City of Elliot Lake approve the appointment of Mr. Ronald Penner as Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer to serve as an alternate as recommended by the By-law and Planning Committee in their resolution no. 06/14 dated January 6, 2014. Carried.

Resol. 7/14 Appointment of alternate By-law Enforcement Officer Moved By: Mr. K. Rastin Seconded By: Mr. N. Mann

That the recommendation from the By-laws and Planning Committee concerning a request to purchase 1.6 acres on Highway 108 North be discussed in closed session under Section 239.(2)(c) as this matter involves the disposition of property owned by the Municipality.

Resol. 8/14 Discuss in closed session

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call vote was recorded:

# In Favour

Councillor Patrie Councillor Mann Councillor Rastin Councillor Farquhar Councillor Finamore Mayor Hamilton

Not In Favour
Councillor Collett
Carried.

Councillor Collett requested that Council consider removing cheque number 58649 on cheque write no. 12/19/13-1 from the register.

Councillor Patrie requested that Council consider removing cheque number 58684 on cheque write no. 12/19/13-1 from the resister.

Councillors Collett and Patrie withdrew from their positions at the Council table.

Moved By: Mr. K. Rastin
Seconded By: Mrs. S. Finamore
That cheque numbers 58649 and 58684 on cheque write no.
12/19/13-1 be removed from the register.
Carried.

Resol. 9/14 Accountremove certain cheques from the register

Councillors Collett and Patrie returned to their chairs.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie That the following cheque register be received: Cheque Write No. 12/19/13-1; Carried. Resol. 10/14 Account Moved By: Mr. K. Rastin

Seconded By: Mrs. S. Finamore

That the following cheque registers be received:

Cheque Write No. 12/31/13-1; Cheque Write No. 01/02/14-1;

Carried.

Councillors Collett and Patrie withdrew from their positions at the Council table.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann

Seconded By: Mrs. S. Finamore

That cheque numbers 58649 and 58684 on cheque write no.

12/19/13-1 be received.

Carried.

Councillors Collett and Patrie returned to their chairs.

Moved By: Mr. K. Rastin Seconded By: Mr. N. Mann

That By-law No. 14-1 as amended, being a by-law to adopt the estimates for the funds required during the year 2014 for the Revenue fund, Capital fund, and Reserve fund of the City of Elliot Lake and 2014 estimates for School Board purposes be passed.

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call vote was recorded:

### In Favour

Councillor Patrie Councillor Mann Councillor Rastin Councillor Farquhar Councillor Finamore Mayor Hamilton

## Not In Favour

Councillor Collett

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie

That we deal with the addendum to the agenda.

Carried.

The Memo of the Manager of Environmental Services, dated January 13, 2014 concerning pre-approval for the purchase of one Grader, was read.

Resol. 11/14 Accounts

Resol. 12/14 Receive certain

cheques

Resol. 13/14
By-law 14-1 –
Adopt 2014
Budget as
amended

Resol. 14 /14 Addendum Moved By: Mr. T. Farquhar Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie

Whereas the funding under the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities runs out in July 2014; and

Whereas the Centre for Development has various projects and training programs approved or applications submitted for the upcoming year, and

Whereas the Council deems it important for the continued redevelopment of our city, to have the centre continue operation leading to the establishment of the economic development entity; now

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the City of Elliot Lake support the application for funding for the Centre for Development.

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann

Seconded By: Mrs. S. Finamore

That By-law No. 14-2, being a by-law to authorize the acceptance of an offer to purchase from 1605007 Ontario Limited for 6.59 acres plus .285 acres of land on Ontario Avenue with respect to the development of the Pearson Plaza, be passed.

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call vote was recorded:

### In Favour

Mayor Hamilton Councillor Collett Councillor Patrie Councillor Mann Councillor Rastin Councillor Farquhar Councillor Finamore Carried.

Moved By: Mr. A. Collett Seconded By: Mr. K. Rastin

That By-law No. 14-3, being a by-law to authorize the acceptance of an offer to purchase from 1605007 Ontario Limited for 1.44 acres plus .285 acres of land on Hillside Drive South with respect to the development of the Pearson Plaza, be passed.

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call vote was recorded:

Resol. 15/14
Funding
Application to
MTCU – Centre
for
Development

Resol. 16/14 By-law No. 14-2 – Accept Offer to purchase Lot 1– 1605007 Ontario Limited – Pearson Plaza

Resol. 17/14 By-law No. 14-3 – Accept Offer to purchase Lot 2– 1605007 Ontario Limited – Pearson Plaza

### In Favour

Councillor Collett

Councillor Patrie

Councillor Mann

Councillor Rastin

Councillor Farquhar

Councillor Finamore

**Mayor Hamilton** 

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. C. Patrie

Seconded By: Mrs. S. Finamore

That By-law No. 14-4, being a by-law to authorize the acceptance of an offer to purchase from 1605007 Ontario Limited for .437 acres of land described as the Canadian Tire parcel with respect to the development of the Pearson

Plaza, be passed.

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call vote was recorded:

In Favour

Councillor Collett

Councillor Patrie

Councillor Mann

Councillor Rastin

Councillor Farguhar

Councillor Finamore

Mayor Hamilton

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann Seconded By: Mr. T. Farguhar

That this meeting proceed into closed session at the hour of

8:35 PM.

At the request of Councillor Collett, the following roll call

vote was recorded:

In Favour

Councillor Patrie

Councillor Mann

Councillor Rastin

Councillor Farguhar

Councillor Finamore

**Mayor Hamilton** 

Not In Favour

Councillor Collett

Carried.

Resol. 18/14 By-law No. 14-4 – Accept Offer to purchase Cdn Tire parcel – 1605007

Ontario Limited - Pearson Plaza

Resol. 19/14 Proceed into closed session Moved By: Mr. N. Mann Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie

That this meeting come out of closed session at the hour of

8:47 PM.

At the request of Councillor Rastin, the following roll call vote was recorded:

In Favour

Councillor Collett

Councillor Patrie

Councillor Mann

**Councillor Rastin** 

Councillor Farquhar

Councillor Finamore

Mayor Hamilton

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann Seconded By: Mr. C. Patrie

That Report CK2013-19 of the Director of Clerks and Planning Services dated December 16, 2013 be received;

and

That approximately 1.6 acres of vacant land adjacent to the south side of the Lester B. Pearson Civic on Highway 108 North be declared as surplus to the needs of the

Municipality and;

That staff be directed to obtain an appraisal of the said lands; and

That notice is hereby given of the intended sale of part of PINS 31404-616, 31628-0482 and 31628-0500 as recommended by the By-laws and Planning Committee in their resolution no. 05/15

Carried.

Moved By: Mr. N. Mann

Seconded By: Mrs. S. Finamore

That this meeting adjourn at the hour of 8:48 P.M.

Carried.

Resol. 20/14 Come out of closed session

Resol. 21/14
Declare as
surplus –
proposed sale of
1.6 acres on
Hwy 108 N
adjacent to
Civic Centre

Resol. 22/14 Adjourn

Mayor	