

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF COUNCIL HELD ON TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2008 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 420 LESLIE AVENUE, THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO AT THE HOUR OF 4:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT: Councillor Ab Covello, Chair
Councillor Alana Bishop
Councillor Donna Blunt

ALSO PRESENT: Wendy Hamlin, Clerk
Karen Kelner, Deputy Treasurer
Craig Bauman, Manager of Operations
Blair Arthur, Fire Chief, By-law Enforcement Officer
Alan Cooke, Chief Building Official
Jo-Anne Hamelin

ABSENT: Councillor Ron Giardetti, (returning from out of town – joined the at 4:55 pm)
Reeve Maria Harding, with regrets

1. CALL TO ORDER

Resolution No.: 112/08	
Moved By:	Alana Bishop
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT this Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Council is hereby called to order at 4:00 pm	
CARRIED	

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Blunt stated that she may have an interest in Item 6) D) with respect to the gravel pit property. There was no other disclosure of pecuniary interest by any other member of Council on any item listed on the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No.: 113/08	
Moved By:	Donna Blunt
Seconded By:	Alana Bishop
THAT the agenda be accepted as presented.	
CARRIED	

4. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a) Deputation from Jo-Anne Hamelin re: Waste Management By-law and permit system

Jo-Anne Hamelin presented the Committee with a copy of background material for her presentation. She strongly recommended that committees be used to do the background and research work for Council on any major matters. She explained that when she reviewed the current Waste Management By-law with the proposed one, that the proposed by-law did not refer to the Ministry's Certificate of Approval Number. The Manager of Operations explained both landfill sites are as described in the schedule to the by-law.

The Committee thanked Mrs. Hamelin for her input.

5. REPORTS OF OPERATING DEPARTMENTS

- a) By-law Enforcement
- b) Building and Planning
- c) Public Works
 - i) Draft Waste Management By-law

The Manager of Operations reviewed the Chief Administrative Officer's memo on whether or not the proposed Waste Management By-law would come back for discussion. After a lengthy discussion the Manager of Operations undertook to meet with the CAO to schedule a special Committee meeting on this matter to complete the direction given in the following resolution.

Resolution No.: 114/08	
Moved By:	Alana Bishop
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT the Committee of the Whole directs Administration to update any additional or new waste management issues and to bring it forward for review and discussion.	
CARRIED	

- d) Fire Department
- e) Administration
- f) Finance Department

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Resolution to accept Land Inventory Report 2007

Resolution No.: 115/08	
Moved By:	Donna Blunt
Seconded By:	Alana Bishop
THAT the Committee of the Whole hereby receives the Land Inventory Report 2007.	
CARRIED	

- b) Review Land Inventory Report

After a lengthy discussion on the review of the land inventory report, the Clerk was directed to meet with the CAO to schedule a special meeting in order to have a full debate on this matter.

- c) Property Standards By-law
 - i) Memo from Eric Collingwood re: Direction from Council

After a lengthy discussion on the CAO's request to the Committee for clarification on the proposed property standards by-law, the following resolution was passed.

Resolution No.: 116/08	
Moved By:	Alana Bishop
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
WHEREAS Administration is requesting clarification with respect to the Draft Property Standards By-law submitted to the Committee of the Whole of Council,	
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole does hereby direct staff to bring back the draft in a more simplified form.	
CARRIED	

d) Property Exchange Requests

Councillor Blunt stated she would not vote on the resolution on the property exchange requests, as she has a conflict on one of the properties involved. Section 7.1 of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act permits that when a conflict leaves insufficient members to constitute a quorum, then the remaining number of members shall be deemed to constitute a quorum, provided such number is not less than two.

Resolution No.: 117/08	
Moved By:	Alana Bishop
Seconded By:	Ab Covello
THAT with respect to the Chief Administrative Officer's report on Property Exchange dated February 5, 2008 and as discussed at the February 11, 2008 Committee of the Whole of Council meeting; the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby directed and authorized to commence negotiations with the two property owners requesting land exchanges with the Municipality.	
CARRIED	

e) Draft policy for recognition of employees

Councillor Giardetti joined the meeting at this time.

After a brief discussion the following resolution was passed.

Resolution No.: 118/08	
Moved By:	Donna Blunt
Seconded By:	Alana Bishop
THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends Council put the Policy to Recognize Employees in place.	
CARRIED	

7. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No.: 119/08	
Moved By:	Alana Bishop
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT the hour of 5:04 having arrived the meeting adjourn.	
CARRIED	

CONFIRMED AND ADOPTED THIS

DAY OF

2008

Reeve

Clerk