

Minutes of the General Government Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Jack Clark, Chairperson
Ron Lane, Mayor
Scott McDougall, Citizen Representative
Deborah Woods, Citizen Representative
Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Absent: Larry Eirikson, Councillor

Addition to Agenda:

Moved by Scott McDougall

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the following items be added to the April 26, 2017 agenda:

- 1. Item 3 vii) CIP Update***
- 2. Item 5 v) Office Student***
- 3. Item 5 vi) Establish Group Dockage Rate***

Carried

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None declared

2. Adoption of the Minutes of the March 22, 2017 Meeting

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT the minutes of the March 22, 2017 meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Business Arising out of the Minutes

- i) Vendor Policy – tabled***
- ii) Procurement Policy – tabled***
- iii) Strategic Plan Discussion***

- iv) Use of Medical Centre Basement Space – Agreed to use the space for a fitness centre. Committee agreed to ask for volunteers to form a Fitness Club Committee. Annette will advertise for members and report back.
- v) Lifetime Achievement Nomination – It was noted that the new screen display is up and running in the lobby. Committee considered future candidates for Lifetime Achievement Award. One public nomination has been made.

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT the General Government Committee recommend to Council that the following persons be nominated for the Lifetime Achievement Award:

- 1. Rene Noble;***
- 2. Randy Thibault; and***
- 3. Phyllis Smith.***

Carried

- vi) Splash Pad – Annette asked Committee for direction with respect to the future planning of the splash pad. Decisions need to be made with respect to the definitive location of the splash pad. \$30,000 was placed in the 2017 budget for preliminary design and engineering ie. Soil samples, engineered pad. Overall cost for a medium size park is estimated at \$100,000.00.

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the General Government Committee recommends to Council that the location of the Splash Pad be at the southeast corner of the boardwalk by the pavilion.

Carried

- vii) Community Improvement Plan Update – Municipal Affairs representative will attend our June 28th meeting. She was not available any earlier.

4. Correspondence

- i) Ad Hoc Committee re: Rainbow Board Policy – accepted as information

5. New Business

- i) Forests Ontario Initiatives – Look into the 50 Million Tree Program as a possibility for Smith Park. Annette will report back.
- ii) Bravery Award – This matter has been brought forward as a result of the Ice Rescue that took place at Deacon’s Point, Barrie Island. Local citizens risked their own lives to rescue someone that had fallen through the ice. Our local MPP and OPP have been contacted to see if there is any form of award system in place. It is recommended that the Town partner with Gordon/Barrie Island to recognize these brave citizens.

Scott suggested the award be recognized on the computer display.

Jack suggested it should be nominated for the Governor General’s Award for Bravery.

Moved by Jack Clark

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the General Government Committee recommend to Council that Brian Dittmar, Steve Prior and Wendell Clarke be nominated for the Governor General’s Award for bravery.

Carried

- iii) Local Government School Initiative – Larry Killens brought forth an idea being undertaken by a school in Sudbury entitled “What would make our city greater”. It is an opportunity for school students to share their ideas with the Mayor. The CAO contacted the principal at CC McLean and they would be happy to participate in a similar program. She suggested the first few weeks of May or last couple of weeks of June would be best. Jack suggested Gore Bay host it, have an internal competition and choose the 12 best ideas, and invite the CAO’s and Heads of Council from Billings, Gordon/Barrie Island and Burpee/Mills. Committee suggested the timing be changed to the fall. Annette will coordinate this for the fall.
- iv) Councillor Tablets – Annette advised that \$1400.00 was placed in the budget for tablets for the Councillors. She wants to be assured that all of the councillors are committed to using the tablets prior to purchasing.

Moved by Jack Clark

Seconded by Ron Lane

THAT the General Government Committee recommend to Council that the cost of laptops be investigated instead of tablets.

Carried

- v) Office Student - Annette advised that they had applied for funding for an office student prior to the cuts being made to the 2017 budget. Today, funding approval was received for an office student for 8 weeks with the cost being covered 50%. She asked the Committee if they would consider approving a student now that funding has been received. If not the funding will be turned down.

Moved by Ron Lane

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT the General Government Committee recommends to Council that based on the fact funding has been received from the Canada Summer Jobs program at 50% for an office student that Council authorize the hiring of an office student for 8 weeks which is an increase in the budget of approximately \$1900.00

Carried

- vi) Group Dockage Rate – Council has recommended that a group dockage rate be established. A minimum number of boats needs to be determined to qualify for the group rate. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Scott McDougall

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT a Group Dockage Rate Policy be adopted as follows:

- 1. Minimum number of 5 boats from formally recognized yacht club or boating organization;***
- 2. Space approved by CAO in consultation with the Harbour Master;***
- 3. 10% discount subject minimum two (2) night stay.***

Carried

6. In Camera

Moved by Scott McDougall

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT we enter an in camera discussion at 9:58 p.m. to discuss the following:

- i) Property***
- ii) Staff***

Carried

Moved by Scott McDougall

Seconded by Deborah Woods

THAT we come out of camera at 10:44 p.m.

Carried

Moved by Deborah Woods

Seconded by Scott McDougall

THAT the General Government Committee recommend to Council that the job descriptions for Maintenance Worker and Recreation Coordinator be approved.

Carried

It was agreed to conduct a property inspection at the next committee meeting. Meet at the office and take ½ hour to make a report on properties.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Deborah Woods

THAT we adjourn at 10:46 p.m.

Carried

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,
Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer