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GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2018-4

Report of the General Committee of Council Meeting held Monday, April 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Office Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor G. McKay, Deputy Mayor M. Ross* (Chair), Councillors J. Contin, J. Main, G. MacDonald, P. File, C. Oschefski and G. Canning

Regrets: Councillor S. Strathearn

Also Present: J. Skorobohacz, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Turnbull, Director of Finance/Treasurer
S. Berriault, Director of Operations
A. Sidhu, Director of Corporate Services/Solicitor
A. Campbell, Director of Engineering/Water & Wastewater Services
J. Reichheld, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer
P. Ryan, Fire Chief
L. Yourkin, Director of Human Resources/Health and Safety
K. Desroches, Clerk

*Arrived at 7:14 p.m. during consideration of Item 6, Community Safety Plan Considerations, under Administrative Matters.

In the absence of the Deputy Mayor, Mayor McKay assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

No declarations were made.

SECTION B – ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS **(Referred to the Chair, Councillor G. Canning)**

6. Community Safety Planning Considerations

- a) **CAO-2018-08 Community Safety Planning Considerations – 2018 Budget Implications**

Your Committee reviewed a report dated April 9, 2018, from L. Yourkin, Director of Human Resources/Health and Safety, and J. Skorobohacz, Chief Administrative Officer.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Staff Report CAO-2018-08, dated April 9, 2018, respecting the Downtown Safety Considerations be received; and

That Council gives favourable consideration to the creation of an Ad-Hoc Community Safety Task Force (CSTF) under the chairmanship of Mayor McKay, with consideration given to invite membership from the following stakeholders:

**Midland Public Library Board – 1 Member
Downtown Midland BIA – 1 Member
Salvation Army/Street Outreach – 1 Member
Guesthouse – 1 Member
Canadian Mental Health Association – 1 Member
County of Simcoe Health and Social Services representative – 1 Member
OPP – Municipal Contract Policing – 1 Member; and**

That the mandate of the Community Safety Task Force would include the broad community and stakeholder consultation process for the purpose of the development of a Community Safety Plan that meets the needs of the Community and addresses the requirements of the Safe Ontario Act (Bill 175); and

That the current funding of \$50,000 identified for "*Community Justice and Safety Activities*" allocated from future police savings (Police Reserve) be designated for the purpose of retaining the appropriate external expertise to work in concert with the Community Safety Task Force; and

That the Community Safety Task Force be mandated to provide its final report to Council by August 31, 2018 in order to ensure any material implications to the 2019 Budget are appropriately identified for future Council consideration; and

That Council approves the request of the Midland Public Library of \$90,000 as a one- time commitment, net of any contributions identified by the Library Board from its 2018 Library Budget (amount to be confirmed) for the security funding; and

That the net funding (up to \$90,000) be funded from future police savings (Police Reserve) as a one-time funding source; and

That respective staffs of the Library and the Town of Midland undertake a review of the current Library facility with a view to identifying future practical security enhancement measures and incorporate same for consideration in the 2019 Budget; and

That all solutions be created with due regard for appropriate federal and provincial regulations such as the Human Rights Code and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

That Administration be requested to provide a copy of this report to the Midland Police Services Board for their information and feedback; and

That Administration be requested to provide a copy of this report to the OPP Southern Georgian Bay Detachment Commander for his information and feedback, and other stakeholders as deemed necessary to assist the Community Safety Task Force.

b) Service Reductions

Your Committee reviewed a memorandum dated March 6, 2018, from the Midland Public Library Board, identifying service reductions that would be required to accommodate the \$90,000 for security cost coverage.

Following a review of the memorandum, your Committee recommended:

That the proposed \$10,000 commitment from the Midland Public Library Board's Budget be received as a contribution toward the \$90,000 cost of Library Security for 2018.

Upon conclusion of deliberations on this matter, Deputy Mayor Ross assumed the Chair.

SECTION A – OPERATIONS / ENGINEERING MATTERS

(Referred to the Chair, Councillor G. MacDonald)

1. OP-2018-002 Phase I and II Environmental Assessment - 67 Fourth Street (former Parks Depot) - 731 and 720 Ontario Street (former Maintenance Depot)

Your Committee reviewed a report dated April 4, 2018, from S. Berriault, Director of Operations, Parks and Facilities.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That, Report OP-2018-002 dated April 4, 2018 respecting a Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessment for 67 Fourth Street (former Parks Depot) and 731 and 720 Ontario Street (former Maintenance Depot) be received by Council; and

That Council approve the quotation bid received from Peto MacCallum Ltd. to undertake a Phase I and II Environmental Assessment for 67 Fourth Street (former Parks Depot) and 731 and 720 Ontario Street (former Maintenance Depot) in the total amount of \$37,600 (exclusive of H.S.T.); and

That Council authorize the Director of Operations, Parks and Facilities to issue purchase orders for these environmental assessment services.

2. OP-2018-003 Potential Use of Utility Vehicles (ATV's) Tractors and Skid Steers on Municipal Roadways

Your Committee reviewed a Report dated April 4, 2018, from J. Reichheld, By-law Officer.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Report OP2018-006 dated April 4, 2018 respecting the potential use of utility vehicles (ATV's), tractors and skid steers on municipal roadways be received by Council; and

That Council continue to rely on the Highway Traffic Act to regulate the use of Utility Vehicles such as ATV's within the limits of the Town of Midland.

3. OP-2018-004 Parks Turf Maintenance 2018 – 2019 Seasons

Your Committee reviewed a report dated April 4, 2018, from S. Berriault, Director of Operations, Parks and Facilities.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Report OP-2018-004 dated April 4, 2018 respecting the supply of Parks Turf Maintenance (Grass Cutting) for the 2018 and 2019 seasons in various parks and other Town owned areas in the Town of Midland, be received by Council; and

That Council approve the tender bid received from JDM Lines Ltd. for the supply of parks turf maintenance (grass cutting) for the 2018 and 2019 seasons in various parks and other Town owned areas in the Town of Midland in the total amount of \$29,185 (exclusive of H.S.T.).

4. OP-2018-005 Concession Booth Operation 2018/2019, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021

Your Committee reviewed a report dated April 4, 2018, from S. Berriault, Director of Operations, Parks and Facilities.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Report OP-2018-005 dated April 4, 2018 respecting the supply and delivery of the Operation of the Concession Booth within the North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre for a three (3) year period commencing July 1, 2018 be received by Council; and

That Council approve the proposal bid received from Christine Patenaude, operating as The Snack Shack for the supply and delivery of the Operation of the Concession Booth within the North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre for a three (3) year period commencing July 1, 2018 in the total amount of \$41,315.40 (inclusive of taxes).

SECTION B – ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS
(Referred to the Chair, Councillor G. Canning)

1. CL-2018-11 Treasure Days and Free Garage Sale Permit Weekend 2018

Your Committee reviewed a Report dated April 3, 2018, from K. Desroches, Clerk.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That, further to Report CL-2018-11 dated April 3, 2018, staff be directed to advertise for two Treasure Day Weekends being May 12 and 13, 2018, and October 13 and 14, 2018;

And further that staff be directed to advertise for two Free Garage Sale Permit Weekends being July 6, 7, and 8, 2018 and September 14, 15, and 16, 2018.

2. CL-2018-12 Protocol Agreement – Beausoleil First Nation and the Town of Midland

Your Committee reviewed a report dated March 29, 2018, from K. Desroches, Clerk.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Report CL-2018-12 dated March 29, 2018, from the Aboriginal Relations Ad Hoc Committee be received; and

That Council supports the terms of the Protocol Agreement and directs Staff to prepare the appropriate By-law providing for the formal adoption of the agreement which establishes the relationship between the Beausoleil First Nation Council and the Town of Midland for Council's consideration at the April 23 Council meeting; and

That the name of the Aboriginal Relations Ad Hoc Committee be changed to the "Joint Indigenous Relations Group".

3. FS-2018-01 County of Simcoe Mutual Assistance Agreement

Your Committee reviewed a report dated March 29, 2018, from T. Toole, Deputy Fire Chief.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That, further to Report FS-2018-01 dated March 29, 2018, Council enter into the Mutual Assistance Agreement with the County of Simcoe; and

That Staff be directed to bring forward the related By-law authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the County of Simcoe Mutual Assistance Agreement.

4. CL-2018-13 Ontario Trillium Foundation Application

Your Committee reviewed a report dated April 4, 2018, from K. Mealing, Cultural Development Coordinator.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Council receives Report CL-2018-13 Ontario Trillium Foundation Application, dated April 4, 2018; and

That Council supports an Application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation Grow Grant for funding for a three-year project to support on-going cultural initiatives.

5. FS-2018-04 Replacement of Midland Fire Department Aerial Apparatus

Your Committee reviewed a report dated April 9, 2018, from P. Ryan, Director of Fire Services/Fire Chief.

Following a review of the Report, your Committee recommended:

That Staff Report FS-2018-04 dated April 4, 2018, respecting the replacement of the Midland Fire Department Aerial Apparatus, be received; and

That the Aerial Replacement Project be approved in the 2018 Budget Capital Plan.

7. Recap of Budget 2018 and Next Steps

The Director of Finance/Treasurer provided a recap of Budget 2018. The Director advised that, as of March 29, 2018, the tax levy increase was projected at 2.64% and reflected all amendments to that date.

The Director then spoke to funds that have been earmarked in the 2018 budget to allow for the hiring of two IT Specialists and one Procurement Coordinator. As these positions have not yet been filled, further savings of approximately \$57,500 have been realized resulting in an additional decrease of .20% to reflect a tax levy increase of 2.34%.

Upon conclusion of the Director's update, further amendments to the 2018 budget were proposed and supported by members of Council as follows:

- Reallocation of \$20,000 to bike lanes to be taken out of traffic calming
- \$10,000 contribution to Hospice Huronia.

The Director advised that based on the above the anticipated tax levy increase is 2.28%.

The Director of Engineering/Water and Wastewater Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the impact of a 6%, 4% and 3% increase in water and wastewater rates, and recommending a 6% increase for 2018 which reflects a .85/week average increase for residents.

Council requested the Director to provide an additional option of a 3.5% increase to the April 23, 2018, Council meeting for consideration.

SECTION C – OTHER BUSINESS

Individual members advised of events and activities in the municipality for information purposes.

Moved by J. Main

Seconded by C. Oschefski

**That this General Committee Meeting of Council adjourn at 10:00 p.m.
CARRIED.**

Karen Desroches, Clerk