



GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2017-4

**Report of the General Committee of Council Meeting held Monday, April 10, 2017,
at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Office Council Chambers.**

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

Also Present: J. Skorobohacz, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Turnbull, Director of Finance/Treasurer
Shawn Berriault, Director of Operations
S. Cooper, Marketing and Communications Coordinator
K. Desroches, Acting Clerk
Laura S. Lee, Acting Deputy Clerk

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Ross declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Section B, Item 8, Barnstormer Boathouse Oktoberfest, as his employer owns a brewing company.

SECTION A – OPERATIONS / ENGINEERING MATTERS
(Referred to the Chair, Councillor G. MacDonald)

1. OP-2017-009 Yonge Street (First Street to Eighth Street) “Road Diet”

Your Committee reviewed a report, dated April 5, 2017, from S. Berriault, Director of Operations. The Director introduced Mr. M. Cullip, P. Eng., C.C. Tatham & Associates Ltd. Mr. Cullip provided a PowerPoint presentation in support of the report.

Following a review of the report and presentation, your Committee recommended:

That Council endorse the “road diet” recommendations related to the travel lanes on Yonge Street from First Street to Eighth Street as outlined in the Staff Report OP2017- 009, dated April 5, 2017; and

That staff be authorized to undertake the work required to implement the reconfiguration recommendation within the 2017 General Resurfacing budget.

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

1. CAO-2017-7 OPP Costing Ad Hoc Committee

Your Committee reviewed a report, dated March 28, 2017, from J. Skorobohacz, CAO.

Following a review of the report, your Committee recommended:

That, the governance structure for the OPP Costing Process Ad Hoc Committee be amended in accordance with CAO Report 2017-7, dated March 28, 2017.

2. CL-2017-13 Municipal Policy for Breastfeeding in Public Places

Your Committee reviewed a report, dated April 10, 2017 from K. Desroches, Acting Clerk.

Following a review of the report, your Committee recommended:

That, further to Report CL-2017-13, dated April 10, 2017, Council approve the Breastfeeding in Public Places Policy applicable to Town facilities and properties.

3. CL-2017-14 2018 Municipal Election – Alternative Voting Options

Your Committee reviewed a report, dated March 27 2017, from K. Desroches, Acting Clerk, recommending that staff be directed to proceed with the recommended Internet/Telephone voting as a pilot for the 2018 Municipal Election; and that the Clerk be requested to provide an assessment report following the 2018 Municipal Election respecting the utilization of these two methods of voting.

Following discussion, the report was received.

4. Road Closure Request – Candlelight Tribute Ceremonies

Your Committee reviewed a letter, dated March 24, 2017, from the Candlelight Tribute Committee.

Following discussion, your Committee recommended:

THAT further to a letter dated March 24, 2017, from the Candlelight Tribute Committee, permission be granted to conduct the ceremonies on May 10, 2017, at the Cenotaph, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

And further that Council approve the closure of King Street, from Hannah Street to Colborne Street on that day from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm.

5. Paint in the Park

Your Committee reviewed a letter dated March 24, 2017, from the Candlelight Tribute Committee.

Following discussion, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter, dated March 24, 2017, from Ms. K. Mealing, Director, Quest Art School and Gallery, permission be granted to hold weekly “Paint in the Park” sessions for their members, in Little Lake Park every Thursday from July 6 to September 21, 2017, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm, throughout the park, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

6. Wellness Fair

Your Committee reviewed an email, dated March 26, 2017, from Mental Wellness Ambassadors at Georgian Bay District Secondary School.

Following discussion, your Committee recommended:

That, further to an email dated March 26, 2017, from Mental Wellness Ambassadors at Georgian Bay District Secondary School, permission be granted to host a Wellness Fair on May 24, 2017, from 12:30 pm to 3:00 p.m. at Little Lake Park, including the use of the pavilions, washrooms, beach volley-ball courts, playground equipment, Frisbee golf and picnic tables between the hours of 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

7. Walk for Dog Guides Event

Your Committee reviewed an email, dated March 21, 2017, from Ms. R. Hounsome, President, Midland Lions Club.

Following discussion, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated March 21, 2017, from Ms. R. Hounsome, President Midland Lions Club, permission be granted to conduct their Walk for Dog Guides event on May 28, 2017, commencing at 1:00 p.m. from the Midland Town Dock, along the Rotary Trail to Aberdeen Boulevard then back to the Dock, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

8. Barnstormer Boathouse Oktoberfest

Deputy Mayor Ross declared a pecuniary interest and stepped down from the Chair.

Mayor McKay assumed the Chair.

Your Committee reviewed a letter, dated March 28, 2017, Ms. M. Moore, Events Coordinator, Barnstormer Brewing & Distilling Company.

Following discussion, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated March 28, 2017, from Ms. M. Moore, Events Coordinator, Barnstormer Brewing & Distilling Company, permission be granted to host the first annual Oktoberfest in partnership with The Boathouse Eatery on Friday, September 22nd from 2pm - 11pm; Saturday, September 23rd from 11am – 11pm; and Sunday, September 24th from 11am – 4pm, at either the location in front of the Boathouse Eatery in the Town parking lot to the sidewalk in front of the docks, or behind the Boathouse Eatery’s lot into the Town park, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

Deputy Mayor Ross re-assumed the Chair.

9. Midland’s Sixth Annual Random Act of Kindness Day (RAKD)

Your Committee reviewed a letter, dated March 29, 2017, Ms. B. McKerrow, Chair, Random Act of Kindness Day, Rotary Club of Midland.

Following discussion, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated March 29, 2017, from Ms. B. McKerrow, Chair, Random Act of Kindness Day, Rotary Club of Midland, permission be granted to the Club to host a BBQ on May 24, 2017, at the Midland Town Dock, subject to approval of the related Special Events application;

And that the Town continue its tradition of participating by providing a one-day no ticket policy, by providing coffee and cookies in the Town Hall reception area, and by providing commissionings free of charge.

SECTION C – OTHER BUSINESS

Moved by S. Strathearn

Seconded by J. Main

That this General Committee Meeting of Council adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

CARRIED.

K. Desroches, Acting Clerk