



GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2017-2

Report of the General Committee of Council Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Office Council Chambers.

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

Also Present: J. Skorobohacz, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Turnbull, Director of Finance/Treasurer
K. Desroches, Acting Clerk
Laura S. Lee, Acting Deputy Clerk
Scott Cooper, Marketing & Communications Director
Shawn Berriault, Director of Operations
Dave Bressette, NSSRC Manager
Rick Dalziel, Manager of Maintenance Operations
Andre Pepin, Water Operator

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Contin declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Section A, Item b) - Report OP-2017-005 Proposed User Fees - NSSRC, Parks and Harbour, as his wife is the Executive Director for Askennonnia Senior Centre, an organization that rents space at one of the facilities.

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

a) OP-2017-002 2016 Midland Drinking Water Annual - Summary Report

Your Committee reviewed a report dated February 8, 2017, from P. LeClair, Manager, Water and Wastewater Operations.

Following a review of the report, your Committee recommended:

That further to Report OP-2017-002, dated February 8, 2017, the 2016 Midland Drinking Water System Summary Report be hereby received, and further that Council acknowledges the report as part of the compliance requirements under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) including the Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS), and regulatory reporting required under O.Reg. 170/03.

b) OP-2017-005 Proposed User Fees - NSSRC, Parks and Harbour

Having previously declared a pecuniary interest, Councillor Contin vacated his seat.

Your Committee reviewed a report dated February 8, 2017, from S. Berriault, Director of Operations.

Following a review of the report, your Committee recommended:

That further to Report OP-2017-005, dated February 8, 2017 Council approve the proposed user fees for 2017, 2018 for the North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre, Parks and Harbour facilities, with a by-law to come forward for approval at a future Council meeting.

Councillor Contin returned to his seat.

c) Motion of the Midland Public Library Board regarding the Trees in Front of the Midland Public Library

Your Committee reviewed a motion received January 28, 2017, from the Midland Public Library Board, requesting the support of Council in the removal of the two large trees from the front lawn of the Library property.

Referred to Staff for report.

Rick Dalziel, Dave Bressette and Andre Pepin left the meeting.

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

a) CL-2017-3 2018 Municipal Election – Voting Options

Your Committee reviewed a report dated January 3, 2017, from K. Desroches, Acting Clerk, recommending that staff be directed to proceed with on-line/telephone voting for the 2018 Municipal Election.

Deputy Mayor Ross left the chair to participate in the discussion and appointed Mayor McKay to the chair.

Committee referred the report back to staff for a further report specifically with regard to public education, technology security and voter turnout statistics.

Deputy Mayor Ross resumed the chair.

b) CL-2017-4 Treasure Day and Free Garage Sale Permit Weekend 2017

Your Committee reviewed a report dated February 8, 2017, from K. Desroches, Acting Clerk.

Following a review of the report, your Committee recommended:

That staff be directed to advertise for two Treasure Day Weekends being May 13 and 14, and September 30 and October 1, 2017;

And further that staff be directed to advertise the Free Garage Sale Permit Weekend on July 7, 8, and 9, 2017.

c) Buttertart Trot Event

Your Committee reviewed a letter received February 1, 2017, from Ms. C. Parker and Ms. I. Parker.

Following a review of the letter, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated February 2, 2017 from Courtney Parker and Irene Parker, permission be granted, in principle, to conducting a Buttertart Trot Event on June, 10, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. along the Waterfront Trail, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

d) Party on the Dock Event

Your Committee reviewed a letter dated January 23, 2017, from Mr. R. Befort, Event Chair, Past President Rotary Club of Midland.

Following a review of the letter, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated January 23, 2017 from the Rotary Club of Midland, permission be granted, in principle, to conducting the annual "Party on the Dock" including an outdoor musical concert on June 16, 2017 at the Midland Town Dock, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

e) Global Water Dances

Your Committee reviewed a letter dated February 6, 2017, from Ms. R. Barnstaple.

Following a review of the letter, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated February 6, 2017 from R. Barnstaple of Global Water Dances, permission be granted, in principle, to conducting an outdoor performance at Little Lake Park on June 24, 2017 from approximately 10:00 am to 11:00 am, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

f) Water Walk Event

Your Committee reviewed a letter dated February 7, 2017, from Ms. K. St. Amant, Program Manager Georgian Bay Native Women's Association.

Following a review of the letter, your Committee recommended:

That, further to a letter dated February 6, 2017 from K. St. Amant, Program Manager, Georgian Bay Native Women's Association, permission be granted, in principle, to conducting an Indigenous "Water Walk" on March 25, 2017, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, starting and ending at Little Lake Park, as per the route indicated in their letter, subject to approval of the related Special Events application.

SECTION C – OTHER BUSINESS

1. Councillor Contin asked for clarification with respect to the OPP Costing Committee. The CAO responded and advised a report would come to the General Committee after the first OPP Costing Committee meeting.

**Moved by Oschefski
Seconded by J. Main**

**That this General Committee Meeting of Council adjourn at 8:57 p.m.
CARRIED.**

K. Desroches, Acting Clerk