



Town of Petawawa

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes August 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Bob Sweet
Deputy Mayor Gary Serviss
Councillor Matthew McLean
Councillor Tom Mohns
Councillor Murray Rutz
Councillor Theresa Sabourin

Regrets:

Councillor James Carmody

Also Present:

Daniel Scissons, CAO/Clerk
Kate Bennett, Executive Assistant
Annette Mantifel, Treasurer
David Unrau, Director of Public Works
Indra Maharjan, Director of Innovation, Technology and Alternate Delivery, OCWA
Brad Sweet, Senior Operations Manager, OCWA
Ashwani Kumar, Managing Director, Anaergia Inc.
Jim Nardi, Senior Consultant, Anaergia Inc.
Wayne Bando

Call to Order (Moment of Silent Reflection)

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Resolution #1

Moved by Murray Rutz

Seconded by Theresa Sabourin

That the agenda for the August 16, 2021 regular meeting of Council be adopted.

Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

In accordance with Section 5(1) of the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.50., as amended, where a member, either on his or her own behalf or while acting for, by, with or through another, has any pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in any matter and is present at a meeting of the council at which the matter is the subject of consideration, the member, (a) shall, prior to any consideration of the matter at the meeting, disclose the interest and the general nature thereof; (b) shall not take part in the discussion of, or vote on any question in respect of the matter; and (c) shall not attempt in any way whether before, during or after the meeting to influence the voting on any such question.

1. Declaration #2021-01

Mayor Bob Sweet declared a potential deemed indirect pecuniary interest with respect to the Petawawa WPCP Net Zero Project Financial Update presentation, as his son is employed by OCWA.

Approval of Minutes

1. Council Meeting (August 3, 2021)

Resolution #2

Moved by Tom Mohns

Seconded by Gary Serviss

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held August 3, 2021 be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

Presentations

At this point, 6:32 p.m., Mayor Bob Sweet vacated the Chair due to his declared pecuniary interest. Deputy Mayor Serviss took the Chair.

1. Petawawa WPCP Net Zero Project Financial Update - Indra Maharjan, Director of Innovation, Technology and Alternate Delivery, Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA), Ashwani Kumar, Managing Director, Anaergia Inc. and Jim Nardi, Senior Consultant, Anaergia Inc.

Mr. Indra Maharjan, Director of Innovation, Technology and Alternate Delivery, Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA), Mr. Ashwani Kumar, Managing Director, Anaergia Inc., and Mr. Jim Nardi, Senior Consultant, Anaergia Inc., provided an overall project update regarding the proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), also known as Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP), Net Zero Project. Mr. Kumar presented a three-phased approach to the multi-year project. Phase zero would involve the Town partnering with Anaergia and OCWA to repair two existing digesters, the construction of a buffer tank to collect incoming feedstock and a combined heat and power (CHP) facility to convert the gas into renewable electricity which would offset the plant's base

electrical demand. Mr. Maharjan provided a breakdown of phase zero financials, indicating the capital expense would total \$7.8 million. The capital contribution from the Town would be \$1.5 million, OCWA would contribute \$1 million, grant funding in the amount of \$2.72 million from the Low Carbon Economy Fund, and the remaining balance of \$2.58 million would be covered by Anaergia. Mr. Maharjan explained the return on investment for the Town, OCWA and Anaergia would be a percentage of revenues from the production of electricity from the CHP facility. The CHP facility is projected to produce enough electricity to power the entire wastewater facility (\$150,000 - \$200,000 annually) with some excess production left to possibly power electric vehicles.

Mr. Maharjan presented phases one and two as the improved financial performance stages of the project with the construction of a dewatering facility and a renewable natural gas (RNG) conversion facility. The dewatering facility would reduce the volume of material exiting the facility and create a digestate cake that could be land applied. Excess gas would produce a supply of RNG which would be sold to Enbridge, generating revenue. Phases one and two would cost an additional \$19.2 million for a total of \$27 million total investment. The cost of this upgrade would be covered up to \$9 million in federal green infrastructure grants and the remaining \$10.2 million would be funded by Anaergia, with no extra financial outlay required by the Town. The three-phase contract would cover a ten-year period in which Petawawa, OCWA and Anaergia would receive a percentage of revenues based on their percentage investment (OCWA and Petawawa will still have an initial investment of \$1 million and \$1.5 million respectively). After the ten-year period has expired, the Town will retain control of the infrastructure and receive all revenues generated.

Deputy Mayor Serviss thanked Messrs. Maharjan, Kumar and Nardi for their thorough presentation to Council.

At this point, 8:05 p.m., the Deputy Mayor vacated the Chair in favour of Mayor Bob Sweet.

Council broke for a short recess at 8:05 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:11 p.m.

By-laws

1. By-law 1426/21 – being a by-law to amend By-law 257/2003, being a by-law to provide for the regulating of parking, standing and stopping on highways or parts of highways under the jurisdiction of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa and on private and municipal property

Resolution #3

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Gary Serviss

That By-law 1426/21, being a by-law to amend By-law 257/2003, being a by-law to provide for the regulating of parking, standing and stopping on highways or parts of highways under the jurisdiction of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa and on private and municipal property, be read a first and second time.

Carried

Resolution #4

Moved by Tom Mohns

Seconded by Matthew McLean

That By-law 1426/21 be read a third time and passed.

Carried

Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence.

Minutes

1. Council-In-Committee Meeting (August 9, 2021)

Resolution #5

Moved by Murray Rutz

Seconded by Gary Serviss

That the minutes of the Council-In-Committee meeting held on August 9, 2021 be accepted by Council, and that resolutions from that Committee become resolutions of Council.

Carried

Staff Reports

1. FM-06-2021 – Development Charges Background Study and By-law Update

Annette Mantifel, Treasurer, provided an overview of the report.

Resolution #6

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Murray Rutz

That the proposal from Watson & Associates Economists Ltd., to complete a development charges background study update and to prepare an updated enacting by-law, be approved in the amount of \$10,290.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

Councillor Reports

Deputy Mayor Gary Serviss reported that he attended the grand opening of Dog House Brewing Company on August 14th.

Councillor Tom Mohns – nothing to report.

Councillor Theresa Sabourin – nothing to report.

Councillor Murray Rutz – nothing to report.

Councillor Matthew McLean reported that he attended Dog House Brewing Company on grand opening day.

Mayor Bob Sweet reported he attended several County meetings recently; hosted Men's and Ladies' Nights at the Petawawa Golf Club on August 4th and 5th; and had a meeting with Garrison leadership in regards to the upcoming 2 CMBG Iron Warrior marquee event which will be held on September 11th and 12th. Mayor Sweet also reported that he was in attendance as Ruby Pilatzke crossed the finish line at the Civic Centre on August 7th after walking 100 km from Arnprior in support of her campaign to raise funds for Type 1 diabetes research. Mayor Sweet noted that he has attended the pop-up container market on several occasions this month and acknowledged the efforts of Christine Mitchell, Economic Development Officer, in advancing this new business initiative.

Closed Meeting

There was no closed meeting.

Confirming By-law

Resolution #7

Moved by Tom Mohns

Seconded by Matthew McLean

That By-law 1427/21 be read a first, second and third time and passed.

Carried

Adjournment

Resolution #8

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Gary Serviss

That the meeting adjourn to the call of the Mayor.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Signature of the Mayor (Original Signed)

Signature of the Clerk (Original Signed)