

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2005**

PRESENT: Mayor Fedeli, Councillors Chirico, Vaillancourt, Boldt, Graham, Campbell, Bain, Koziol, Maroosis, Mendicino

CORRESPONDENCE:

1017249 Ontario Ltd.	re Rezoning application, 550 McKeown Avenue	(768)
Johnsea Holdings Ltd.	re Rezoning application, 550 McKeown Avenue	(768)

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS:

Celentano, J.J.	re 2005 Municipal Accessibility Plan Update	(762)
Cormier, D.	re 2006 Heritage Festival Management Committee appointments	(770)
Cormier, D.	re 2005 Heritage Festival Final Financial Report/2006 Heritage Festival Operating Budget	(771)
Elliott, G.	re Pedestrian Overpass of Highway 11/17	(764)
Hall, B.	re Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-Law Amendment and Plan of Condominium - Taki's Investments Ltd. /Team Service Inc. 125 Giroux Street	(763)
Hall, B.	re Rezoning application by 1017249 Ontario Ltd. & Johnsea Holdings Ltd., 550 McKeown Avenue	(768)
Rogers, B.A.	re Water Strategy Expert Panel Report	(761)
Rogers, B.A.	re Federal Gas Tax Agreement	(765)
Rogers, B.A.	re Bill 206 - <i>Ontario Municipal Retirement System Act</i>	(766)
Rogers, B.A.	re \$4,582,000 debenture issue	(767)
Rogers, B.A.	re 2006 Preliminary Operating Budget	(769)

Res. #2005-758: Moved by Councillor Koziol, seconded by Councillor Bain
That minutes for the meetings held:

- Tuesday, November 1, 2005; and
- Monday, November 7, 2005

be adopted as presented.

"CARRIED"

Res. #2005-759: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That Community Services Committee Report No. 2005-36 relating to:

- Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program

be adopted as presented.

"CARRIED"

Councillor Koziol declared a conflict of interest on the above matter as she is an owner of multi-residential housing units.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2005-36

November 14, 2005

TO THE COUNCIL
OF THE CORPORATION
OF THE CITY OF NORTH BAY

Your Worship and Councillors:

The Community Services Committee presents Report No. 2005-36 and recommends:

- 1. WHEREAS the City of North Bay’s Social Housing Vacancy Rate is 0% which identifies the need for affordable housing stock in the City of North Bay and the District of Nipissing;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of North Bay acknowledges that affordable housing projects would not proceed without significant funding;

AND WHEREAS a provincial initiative under the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program, the “Strong Start” Program is available to fund projects that have Consolidated Municipal Service Manager (CMSM) approval and are ready for funding consideration;

AND WHEREAS the Strong Start Program funding is up to an average of \$70,000 contribution per unit from both the Provincial Government and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and requires that municipalities must provide a property tax rate for an Affordable Housing Project at or below the single family residential rate, or an equivalent contribution;

AND WHEREAS the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) is the District of Nipissing’s CMSM and have identified the Physically Handicapped Adult Rehabilitation Association’s (PHARA’s) 35 unit row housing project as a qualified proponent for “Strong Start” project funding in the City of North Bay;

AND WHEREAS the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board as the City of North Bay’s CMSM will administer the Strong Start Program in its entirety;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT upon receipt of a resolution from DNSSAB confirming the approval of funding under the Strong Start Program and DNSSAB’s approval and support of the Physically Handicapped Adult Rehabilitation Association’s (PHARA’s) 35 unit row housing project, the Council of The Corporation of the City of North Bay authorizes the implementation of a Municipal Housing Facilities By-Law which will include the following financial incentive:

- 1. a portion of the assessed value for the property shall be exempt from taxation each year so that the total of the property taxes payable for the property will be equal to the total taxes which would be payable if the property were assessed in the residential class.”

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Res. #2005-760: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Mendicino
That Striking Committee Report No. 2005-06 relating to:

- District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board;
- Waste Resources Liaison Committee; and
- YMCA Board

be adopted as presented.

“CARRIED”

STRIKING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2005-06

November 14, 2005

TO THE COUNCIL
OF THE CORPORATION
OF THE CITY OF NORTH BAY

Your Worship and Councillors:

The Striking Committee presents Report No. 2005-06 and recommends:

1. That Councillor Judy Koziol be appointed to the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board to complete the unexpired term of Tom Mason.
2. That Councillor Mac Bain be appointed to the Waste Resources Liaison Committee for a term to expire November 30, 2006.
3. That Council accept the resignation of Councillor Mac Bain from the YMCA Board.
4. That Councillor Tom Graham be appointed to the YMCA Board for a term to expire November 30, 2006.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Res. #2005-761a: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That 1) the City of North Bay official response to the Report of the
Water Strategy Expert Panel includes the following comments:

- a) The City of North Bay is opposed to any legislation that would require the consolidation of “cluster of communities” in the North which would effectively result in the cross-subsidization of water rates;
- b) The City of North Bay is opposed to any legislation that would require the establishment of a corporate utility entity to hold the assets and operate water and wastewater systems. Municipalities should have the choice to select the governance model that works best considering the local circumstances;
- c) The City of North Bay is opposed to the elimination of senior level of government subsidy for sustainable water systems. There will continue to be the need for subsidy considerations for large water and sanitary sewer projects that would have a major impact on rates;

- d) The City of North Bay is opposed to pricing and rate recommendations that would restrict local autonomy; and
- 2) the Chief Financial Officer request a meeting with the Ministry of Public Renewal Infrastructure to review the City's position on the Report of the Water Strategy Expert Panel.

"CARRIED AS AMENDED"

Res. #2005-761b: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the following be added to Resolution No. 2005-761a regarding the Water Strategy Expert Panel Report:

- "3) That this matter also be referred to the General Government Committee for a further report."

"CARRIED"

Record of Vote (*Upon Request of Councillor Boldt*)

Yeas: Councillors Boldt, Koziol, Vaillancourt, Campbell, Graham, Chirico, Maroosis, Mendicino, Bain, Mayor Fedeli

Res. #2005-762: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That 1) the 2005 Update to the Municipal Accessibility Plan be received; and

- 2) the eight recommendations and request for operating budget funding be referred to Council and staff, and be considered during the 2006 Operating Budget process.

"CARRIED"

Res. #2005-763: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That the recommendation from the Planning Advisory Committee regarding the Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-Law Amendment and Plan of Condominium by Paul Goodridge on behalf of Taki's Investments Ltd. and Team Service Inc. - 125 Giroux Street be referred to the Community Services Committee and for a Public Meeting.

"CARRIED"

Res. #2005-764: Moved by Councillor Koziol, seconded by Councillor Bain
That the report from G. Elliott dated November 4, 2005 re Pedestrian overpass of Highway 11/17 at Chippewa Street be referred to the Engineering & Works Committee.

"CARRIED"

Res. #2005-765: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That 1) the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the Municipal Funding Agreement for the Transfer of Federal Gas Tax Revenues under the New Deal for Cities and Communities between the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the City of North Bay; and

- 2) the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to transfer funds received into a Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund to be used in accordance with the Long-Term Capital Funding Policy

Res. #2005-766: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
WHEREAS the provincial Standing Committee on General Government is currently debating Bill 206, *An Act to Revise the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Act*; and

WHEREAS the OMERS pension fund is currently equal to approximately 8% of Ontario's annual GDP; and

WHEREAS the OMERS pension fund serves approximately 900 employers and 355,000 diverse employee groups including: current and former employees of municipal governments; school boards; libraries; police and fire departments; children's aid societies; and, electricity distribution companies; and

WHEREAS Ontario's municipalities and their employees depend on the prudent management of the \$36 Billion plan and to ensure that employees and employers are paying for benefits they can afford and

WHEREAS OMERS employer and employee members are facing an increase in OMERS contributions in 2006 of approximately 9% as a result of a significant deficit in the OMERS fund; and

WHEREAS the Bill includes significant, potentially costly and unnecessary changes to the governance structure of OMERS including a Sponsors Corporation structured to be governed by arbitration; and

WHEREAS the Bill would permit the creation of expensive supplementary plans to provide optional enhanced benefits that will impose new collective bargaining obligations on municipalities, the operating costs of which cannot yet be fully assessed; and

WHEREAS the Province has a responsibility to study the potential impact of the changes it is proposing and to share the results with employers and employee groups; and

WHEREAS AMO and others have urged the government to consider the potential implications of Bill 206 and to ensure the proposed policy changes protect the interests of employers, employees and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS the Government is moving in haste with a Bill, which in its current form raises significant technical, public policy and economic issues;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The City of North Bay does not support Bill 206, and requests that the Government of Ontario reconsider the advisability of proceeding with Bill 206 in its current form; and

FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED THAT Ms. Monique Smith, MPP (Nipissing), the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario be advised that this Council does not support proposed changes to the OMERS pension fund contained in Bill 206.

“CARRIED”

Record of Vote (*Upon Request of Councillor Chirico*)

Yeas: Councillors Chirico, Vaillancourt, Campbell, Boldt, Bain, Graham, Koziol, Maroosis, Mendicino, Mayor Fedeli

Res. #2005-767: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That By-Law No. 2005-230 and By-Law No. 2005-231 be presented for three readings on November 14, 2005.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-768: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That the rezoning application by Donald Young on behalf of 1017249 Ontario Ltd. & Johnsea Holdings Ltd. - 550 McKeown Avenue be received and referred to the Community Services Committee for a Public Meeting.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-769: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the 2006 Preliminary Operating Budget be received and referred to the General Government Committee.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-770: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That City Council approves the appointment of the following Management Committee members to the positions as defined for the purpose of planning and implementing the North Bay Heritage Festival:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name of Member</u>
Co Chairs	John Strang & Scott Clark
Finance Chair	Joe Hunnisett
Waterfront Program Chair	Jeremy Major
Marketing & Promotions	Brian Winkworth
Main Stage Chair	Mike Monaghan
Festival Services Chair	Mike Trahan
Sponsorship & Fundraising	Dave Lamothe
Emergency Services Chair	Shawn Devine
City Liaison	Jerry Knox
Legal	Lauren Scully
Manager	Darlene Cormier
Council Representative	Mayor Victor Fedeli
Council Representative	Daryl Vaillancourt
Facilities Chair	David Schroeder.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-771: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That 1) Council receives Report No. CSBU 2005-97 as presented and refers it to the Community Services Committee for review; and

2) the Chief Financial Officer provide a report to Council outlining options to address the funding of the Festival’s outstanding deficit.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-772: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2005-228 to stop up, close and convey a portion of the Regina Street road allowance abutting McGaughey Avenue.

“CARRIED”

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Res. #2005-773: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the following by-laws be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2005-230 to amend By-Law Nos. 2005-92, 2005-107, 2005-132 and 2005-187.

By-Law No. 2005-232 to execute a Municipal Funding Agreement with The Association of Municipalities of Ontario relating to the transfer of federal gas tax revenues under the New Deal for Cities and Communities.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-774: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the following by-laws be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2005-230 to amend By-Law Nos. 2005-92, 2005-107, 2005-132 and 2005-187.

By-Law No. 2005-232 to execute a Municipal Funding Agreement with The Association of Municipalities of Ontario relating to the transfer of federal gas tax revenues under the New Deal for Cities and Communities.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-775: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2005-231 to authorize the borrowing upon instalment debentures in the principle amount of \$4,582,000.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-776: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That the following by-law be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2005-231 to authorize the borrowing upon instalment debentures in the principle amount of \$4,582,000.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-777: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2005-229 to amend Parks By-Law No. 1999-35, Schedule “A” (“Otter Lake Area Park”).

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-778: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That the following by-law be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2005-229 to amend Parks By-Law No. 1999-35, Schedule “A” (“Otter Lake Area Park”).

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-779: Moved by Councillor Mendicino, seconded by Councillor Maroosis
That the following by-law be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2005-223 to rezone certain lands on Janey Avenue (Gap Construction Co. Ltd.).

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-780: Moved by Councillor Koziol, seconded by Councillor Bain
That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2005-233 to execute an Agreement with Stantec Consulting Ltd. relating to an Infrastructure Needs Background Study for the new Official Plan.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-781: Moved by Councillor Koziol, seconded by Councillor Bain
That the following by-law be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2005-233 to execute an Agreement with Stantec Consulting Ltd. relating to an Infrastructure Needs Background Study for the new Official Plan.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-782: Moved by Councillor Koziol, seconded by Councillor Bain
That the presentation by Chris Hotson relating to Stone Manor Development be referred to the Engineering & Works Committee.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-783: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Boldt
That Council adjourn in-camera to discuss a property matter.

“CARRIED”

Res. #2005-784: Moved by Councillor Chirico, seconded by Councillor Mendicino
That this Meeting do now adjourn.

“CARRIED”

MAYOR VIC FEDELI

CITY CLERK CATHERINE CONRAD