

MEETING OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

Committee Room C-11
Tom Davies Square

Monday, January 18, 2016
Commencement: 3:07 p.m.

BRIGITTE SOBUSH, DEPUTY CITY CLERK, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Vagnini, Montpellier, Dutrisac, Kirwan, Cormier, Reynolds, Landry-Altmann

City Officials

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Infrastructure Services; Peter Chiesa, Director of Engineering Services; Lee Laframboise, Manager of construction Services; David Shelsted, Director, Roads and Transportation Services; Brigitte Sobush, Deputy City Clerk

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None declared.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Item 1 Appointment of **Chair and Vice-Chair**

Report dated December 17, 2015 from the Executive Director, Administrative Services/City Clerk regarding Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair - Operations Committee.

Nominations were held for the position of Committee Chair

NOMINATOR

NOMINEE

Councillor Cormier Councillor Kirwan

Nominations were closed by Councillor Cormier.

Councillor Kirwan accepted the nomination.

Nominations were held for the position of Committee Vice-Chair

NOMINATOR

NOMINEE

Councillor Cormier Councillor Dutrisac

Nominations were closed by Councillor Cormier.

Councillor Dutrisac accepted the nomination.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR (cont'd)

Item 1
Appointment of
Chair and Vice-Chair
(cont'd)

The following recommendation was presented:

OP2016-01 Landry-Altmann/Vagnini: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury appoints Councillor Kirwan as Chair and Councillor Dutrisac as Vice-Chair of the Operations Committee for the term ending December 31, 2016.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

Item 2
Status Report -
2015 Capital Projects

Report dated December 31, 2015 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Status Report - 2015 Capital Projects.

Peter Chiesa, Director of Engineering Services, and Lee Laframboise, Manager of Construction Services, provided an electronic presentation regarding a Status Report – 2015 Capital Projects for information only.

REGULAR AGENDA

REFERRED AND DEFERRED MATTERS

Item R-1
School Zone Speed
Limit - Various Schools

Report dated December 24, 2015 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding School Zone Speed Limit - Various Schools.

The following recommendation was presented:

OP2016-02 Vagnini/Cormier: THAT the speed limits on Holland Road, from Woodbine Avenue to Sparks Street, Arvo Avenue, from Sparks Street to the North End and Lamothe Street, from Leon Avenue to Barry Downe Road, be returned to 50 km/h due to the closure of St Andrew School;

AND THAT the speed limit on Auger Avenue, from Hawthorne Drive to Huntington Drive be returned to 50 km/h due to the closure of St Bernadette School;

AND THAT the speed limit on Dublin Street, from Arthur Street to Attlee Avenue be returned to 50 km/h due to the closure of St Raphael School;

REFERRED AND DEFERRED MATTERS (cont'd)

Item R-1
School Zone Speed
Limit - Various Schools

AND THAT a by-law be prepared to amend Traffic and Parking By-Law 2010-1 in the City of Greater Sudbury to implement the recommended changes all in accordance with the report dated December 24, 2015 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services.

DEFEATED

MANAGERS' REPORTS

Item R-2
Surplus Fill
Yearly Statistics

Report dated December 31, 2015 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Surplus Fill Yearly Statistics.

Item R-3
Consolidation of Bridge
Load Restriction Bylaws

Report dated January 4, 2016 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Consolidation of Bridge Load Restriction Bylaws.

The following recommendation was presented:

OP2016-03 Landry-Altmann/Vagnini: THAT bylaws 2006-250, 2007-145, 2008-86 and 2008-268, which govern load restrictions on four separate bridges be repealed and all bridge load restrictions be consolidated into one bylaw;

AND THAT the Roberts River Bridge on Ironside Lake Road in Capreol be posted with a maximum load limit;

AND THAT the Finland Creek Bridge on Balsam Street in Copper Cliff be posted with a maximum load limit;

AND THAT the posting for the Spanish River Bridge on Spanish River Road be revised from a triple load posting to a single load posting;

AND THAT the posting for the Kalmo Road Bridge on Kalmo Road be revised from a single load limit of 15 tonnes to a single load limit of 13 tonnes;

All in accordance with the recommendations from the report dated January 4, 2016 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services.

CARRIED

At 5:02 p.m. Councillor Landry-Altmann departed.

QUESTION PERIOD

Snow Removal PSA

Councillor Vagnini asked if a public service announcement (PSA) could be put out to make residents aware of the City's snow removal mandate of 24 hours.

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services responded that PSA's do go out during the fall to advise residents of policies. He noted he will try to provide more information through a presentation to the Operations Committee as well as work with the communications department in order to make information more readily available online.

Snow Removal Timing

Councillor Dutrisac asked if there is a possibility of clearing roads before residents leave for work in the morning and if there was a way to find efficiencies.

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services responded that roads are cleared based on priority and in accordance with policy. He explained certain roads, such as arterial roads, take priority over residential roads and noted the timing of storms affects snow removal. When a storm occurs just before the morning rush hour, he noted, the many vehicles on the road present challenges to snow removal.

Items on Road

Councillor Montpellier asked that the public be made more aware of the time wasted when snow removal vehicles have to detour around parked cars, garbage cans etc.

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services responded that they have received a lot of assistance from the by-law department on the matter and that residents seem to be respecting the by-law. He noted commercial snow removal needs to be addressed because snow is being pushed onto sidewalks in those cases.

Public Interface for Snow Removal Vehicle GPS

Councillor Cormier noted that some cities have live feed following snow plows and asked if that could be done in Sudbury.

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services responded that AVL is supported in all trucks, that the City currently has software in place and hopes to have a public interface by next year. He noted best practices from other municipalities would be reviewed and that it is too early to say for sure what will show and what information will be available.

Sidewalk Snow Removal

Councillor Vagnini asked that the policy regarding sidewalk plowing be reassessed. He noted there is a school in his ward which sidewalks do not get plowed.

QUESTION PERIOD(cont'd)

Sidewalk Snow
Removal (cont'd)

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services responded that he would bring past reports to the Committee for information. He added the current policy does not state school sidewalks need to be plowed. The City followed historical patterns prior to amalgamation in deciding which sidewalks to clear and as new sidewalks are put in they are plowed if they connect to an area that already gets cleared.

Adjournment

Vagnini/Landry-Altmann: THAT this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 5:25 p.m.

CARRIED

Brigitte Sobush, Deputy City Clerk