



The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores
Regular Meeting of Council
Minutes
June 17, 2025 06:00 PM
City Hall - Council Chambers - 325 Farr Drive

Council:	Mayor Jeff Laferriere, Councillors Dan Dawson, Melanie Ducharme, Nadia Pelletier-Lavigne; Danny Whalen (virtual) and Mark Wilson (virtual)
Present:	Logan Belanger, Municipal Clerk Sandra Lee, City Manager Shelly Zubyck, Director of Corporate Services Mathew Bahm, Director of Recreation Steve Langford, Fire Chief Brad Hearn, Information Technology Steve Burnett, Manager of Environmental Services Mitch McCrank, Manager of Transportation Services Stephanie Leveille, Treasurer
Regrets:	Councillor Ian Graydon
Media:	1
Delegates:	N/A
Members of the Public:	1

1. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we live, work, and gather on the traditional and unceded Territory of the Algonquin People, specifically the Timiskaming First Nation.

We recognize the presence of the Timiskaming First Nation in our community since time immemorial and honour their long history of welcoming many Nations to this beautiful territory and uphold and uplift their voice and values.

2. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Laferriere at 6:00 p.m.

3. Review of Revisions or Deletions to Agenda

None

4. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No. 2025-213

Moved By Councillor Dawson

Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that City Council approves the agenda as printed.

Carried

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature

- a. **Councillor Dawson - By-law No. 2025-068 - Land Lease Agreement with Whiskey Jack Beer Company Ltd. to permit the use of the laneway adjacent to the 485 Ferguson Avenue – Outdoor Patio**

Whiskey Jack Beer Company Ltd. is owned by family.

6. Public Meetings pursuant to the Planning Act, Municipal Act and other Statutes

None

7. Review and Adoption of Council Minutes

Resolution No. 2025-214

Moved By Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Seconded By Councillor Whalen

Be it resolved that City Council approves the minutes of the City of Temiskaming Shores Council and Committee of the Whole meetings (referenced below), as printed.

Carried

- a. **Regular Council Meeting - May 20, 2025**

- b. **Committee of the Whole Meeting - June 3, 2025**

8. Presentations/Delegations

None

9. Correspondence/Communications

Resolution No. 2025-215

Moved By Councillor Dawson

Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that the Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores agrees to deal with Communication Items 9 a) through 9 f), in accordance with the agenda references.

Carried

a. Township of The Archipelago

Re: Bill 5, Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025

Reference: Received for information

Note: Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne requested this item be returned for Council consideration.

b. The District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board (DTSSAB)

Re: Ten Year Housing and Homelessness Plan

Reference: Received for information

c. The District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board (DTSSAB)

Re: DTSSAB Quarterly Report - Q1 2025

Reference: Received for information

d. Amanda Holmes, Assistant Deputy Minister, Provincial Services Division, Ministry of Natural Resources

Re: Introduction of Bill 27, the Resource Management Safety Act, 2025 including proposed amendments to the Forest Fires Prevention Act, 2025-05-28

Reference: Received for information

Note: Councillor Dawson inquired if the City's emergency plan could be reviewed regarding proposed amendments.

e. District of Parry Sound Municipal Association

Re: Supporting Municipal Ethics Through Access and Education

Reference: Received for information

f. Airport Management Council of Ontario (AMCO)

Re: Airport Management Council of Ontario Encouraged By 2025 Ontario Budget

Reference: Received for information

10. Committees of Council- Community and Regional

Resolution No. 2025-216

Moved By Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Seconded By Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that the minutes from the various community and regional committees of Council (referenced below), be accepted for information.

Carried

- a. Minutes from the District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board meeting held on April 23, 2025**
- b. Minutes from the New Liskeard Business Improvement Area Board of Management meeting held on May 12, 2025**
- c. Minutes from the Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board meeting held on April 23, 2025**

11. Reports by Members of Council

Mayor Laferriere thanked Councillor Whalen for chairing the June 3, 2025, Committee of the Whole meeting, and for representing the City at the Northern College Graduation ceremony.

12. Notice of Motions

None.

13. New Business

**a. Resolution of Support from Town of Georgina – Salt Management
(Correspondence Item from the May 20, 2025 Regular Council Meeting)**

Resolution No. 2025-217

Moved By Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Seconded By Councillor Whalen

Whereas Council for the Town of Georgina adopted a resolution regarding salt management; and

Whereas road salt is a known toxic substance designated under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act because of tangible threats of serious and irreversible environmental and public health concerns associated with road salt; and

Whereas salt levels in Ontario's groundwater aquifers, creeks, rivers, and lakes have increasingly worsened since the 1970s, seriously affecting municipal drinking water sources and aquatic life; and

Whereas the Ontario and Canadian governments have taken many actions over the past 25 years including setting water quality guidelines, developing voluntary codes of practice, signing the Canada-Ontario Great Lakes Agreement, and holding workshops, yet still the salt problem continues to grow; and

Whereas numerous situation analyses have recommended salt solutions involving liability protection, contractor certification, government-approved Best Management Practices (BMPs) and salt management plans.

Be it resolved that Council of the City of Temiskaming Shores hereby supports the Town of Georgina's call on the Province of Ontario:

1. To work urgently with key stakeholders to develop limited liability legislation, including enforceable contractor training and a single set of provincially endorsed standard Best Management Practices for snow and ice management; and
2. To create and fund an expert stakeholder advisory committee to advise the province and municipalities on the best courses of action to protect freshwater ecosystems and drinking water from the impacts of salt pollution; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General; John Vanthof, MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); Conservation Ontario; the Ontario Salt Pollution Coalition; and the Town of Georgina.

Carried

b. **Administrative Report No. CS-030-2025 - New Liskeard Business Improvement Area (BIA) Block Party – Request for Municipal Support**
Resolution No. 2025-218

Moved By Councillor Dawson
Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores acknowledges receipt of Administrative Report No. CS-030-2025; and

Event of Municipal Significance

That Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores hereby designates the 2025 BIA Block Party evening event on Friday, July 25, 2025, as a municipally significant event; and

That the municipal clerk will forward a copy of this resolution to the owners of Wild Wing (applicant), to confirm the event as municipally significant for the Alcohol and Gaming Commission on Ontario, to assist the Event Organizers in their application for a liquor licence for the event; and

Event Authorization - Noise Exemption

That in accordance with Section 4.8 of Noise By-law No. 2012-019, Council hereby provides a noise exemption for the BIA Block Party evening event held on Friday, July 25, 2025 until 11:00 p.m.

Carried

14. By-Laws

Resolution No. 2025-219

Moved By Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne
Seconded By Councillor Whalen

Be it resolved that the By-law No. 2025-068 be hereby introduced and given first, second and third and final reading, be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and the corporate seal affixed thereto.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-220

Moved By Councillor Dawson
Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that the following By-laws (By-law No. 2025-064 to 2025-067, and By-law No. 2025-069 to 2025-074) be hereby introduced and given first, second and third and final

reading, be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and the corporate seal affixed thereto.

Carried

a. By-law No. 2025-064

Being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement through the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program – Housing- Enabling Core Servicing Stream, between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure and The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores

b. By-law No. 2025-065

Being a by-law to authorize an agreement with D.M. Wills Associates Limited for engineering services associated with intersection improvements

c. By-law No. 2025-066

Being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Linda Gagne for the provision of concession services at Farr Park

d. By-law No. 2025-067

Being a by-law to enter into a Land Lease Agreement with Bryan and Jennifer Borecki to permit the use of the laneway adjacent to the 484 Ferguson Avenue – Outdoor Patio

e. By-law No. 2025-068

Being a by-law to enter into a Land Lease Agreement with Whiskey Jack Beer Company Ltd. to permit the use of the laneway adjacent to the 485 Ferguson Avenue – Outdoor Patio

Note: Councillor Dawson declared a conflict on this item. (Whiskey Jack Beer Company Ltd. is owned by family.)

f. By-law No. 2025-069

Being a by-law to further amend By-law No. 1335 to authorize the execution of an agreement with Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Sno Travellers to lease lands and premises on Parcel 21726 SST being the north half of Lot 6 Concession 1 (five-year extension

g. By-law No. 2025-070

Being a by-law to Stop up and Close a Highway – Part of Blackwell Street, described as Part 2 on Plan 54R- 6484

h. By-law No. 2025-071

Being a by-law to Stop up and Close a Highway – Part of Russell Street, described as Part 5 on Plan 54R- 6484

i. By-law No. 2025-072

Being a by-law to authorize the Sale of Land of Part of Blackwell Street, described as Part 2 on Plan 54R- 6484 to Tri-Town Secured Storage Inc.

j. By-law No. 2025-073

Being a by-law to authorize the Sale of Land of Part of Russell Street, described as Part 5 on Plan 54R- 6484 to Tri-Town Secured Storage Inc.

k. By-law No. 2025-074

Being a by-law to amend By-law 2021-187 to extend the lease term with the Haileybury Food Bank for rental space at 500 Broadway Street

15. Schedule of Council Meetings

a. Committee of the Whole Meeting – July 8, 2025 starting at 3:00 p.m.

b. Regular Council Meeting - July 8, 2025 starting immediately following Committee of the Whole Meeting

16. Question and Answer Period

Councillor Dawson inquired whether the traffic signals in downtown New Liskeard could be adjusted to eliminate the advance green phase during street closures, to improve traffic flow. The Manager of Transportation Services advised that the matter would be reviewed.

17. Closed Session

Resolution No. 2025-221

Moved By Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Seconded By Councillor Wilson

Be it resolved that Council agrees to appoint Sandra Lee as Clerk, from the beginning of Section 17) Closed Session to the completion of Section 19) Adjournment, of the June 17, 2025 Regular Council meeting.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-222

Moved By Councillor Dawson
Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that Council agrees to convene in Closed Session at 6:25 p.m. to discuss the matters referenced below.

Carried

- a. **Adoption of the April 1, 2025 Closed Session Minutes**
- b. **Under Section 239 (2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001 – Labour relations or employee negotiations – Organizational Review**

Matters from Closed Session

- a. **Rise with Report**

Resolution No. 2025-223

Moved By Councillor Ducharme
Seconded By Councillor Dawson

Be it resolved that Council agrees to rise with report from Closed Session at 8:26 p.m.

Carried

- b. **Adoption of the April 1, 2025 Closed Session Minutes**

Resolution No. 2025-224

Moved By Councillor Dawson
Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that City Council approves the following as printed:

- a. Adoption of the April 1, 2025 Committee of the Whole Closed Session Minutes.

Carried

- c. **Under Section 239 (2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001 – Labour relations or employee negotiations – Organizational Review**

Resolution No. 2025-225

Moved By Councillor Ducharme
Seconded By Councillor Dawson

Be it resolved that City Council directs staff to prepare the necessary by-laws to adopt

the City of Temiskaming Shores Organizational Chart and associated schedules, for consideration at a future meeting.

Carried

Note: Councillor Mark Wilson and Councillor Danny Whalen departed the closed session, due to technical difficulties with the virtual connection. As such, a special meeting will be scheduled to complete the review of the organizational review (closed session item), with Council members.

18. Confirming By-law

Resolution No. 2025-226

Moved By Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Seconded By Councillor Dawson

Be it resolved that By-law No. 2025-075 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores for the Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 3, 2025, and for the Regular meeting on June 17, 2025, be hereby introduced and given first, second and third and final reading, be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and the corporate seal affixed thereto.

Carried

19. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2025-227

Moved By Councillor Dawson

Seconded By Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourns its meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Carried



Mayor



Municipal Clerk