



The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores
Special Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 29, 2024 – 5:00 p.m.
City Hall – Council Chambers – 325 Farr Drive

Due to the interactive format required by Council and staff members for this Special Meeting, a livestreaming viewing option will not be available.

Minutes

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 5:00 p.m.

3. Roll Call

Council:	Mayor Jeff Laferriere; Councillors Dan Dawson, Ian Graydon, Nadia Pelletier-Lavigne, Mark Wilson, and Danny Whalen
Present:	Logan Belanger, Municipal Clerk Mathew Bahm, Director of Recreation James Franks, Economic Development Officer

Steve Burnett, Manager of Environmental Services
Mitch McCrank, Manager of Transportation Services
Rebecca Hunt, Library CEO
Stephanie Leveille, Treasurer
Regrets: Councillor Melanie Ducharme

Media: N/A

Delegates: Nancy Johnston, McSweeny & Associates
Ian Duff, McSweeny & Associates

Members of the Public: 13

4. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No. 2024-383

Moved by: Councillor Wilson
Seconded by: Councillor Dawson

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

Carried

5. Declaration of Special Meeting

Resolution No. 2024-384

Moved by: Councillor Whalen
Seconded by: Councillor Graydon

Be it resolved that the Council of the City of Temiskaming Shores declares this meeting a “Special Meeting” in accordance with Section 9 of Procedural By-law No. 2023-022.

Carried

6. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature

None

7. **New Business**

a) City of Temiskaming Shores Strategic Plan

Re: Community Development Strategic Planning Working Session with Council, Staff & Stakeholders, facilitated by McSweeney & Associates

Nancy Johnston from McSweeney & Associates began the session by reviewing a PowerPoint presentation with members of Council, staff, community/regional stakeholders and residents. The City of Temiskaming Shores continues the process of developing a Community Development Strategy to provide direction and guidance for community and economic development activities in both the short and long term. As a result of the review and consultation process, the community's strengths, challenges, opportunities, aspirations and results (SCOAR) were displayed and discussed.

To assist with the interactive nature of the meeting, a workbook was issued to participants, which included the summary of the findings (SCOAR), and the four themes gleaned from the stakeholder consultations conducted by interviews, online survey and focus groups, and supported by background research (e.g. strategic document review, Community Analysis). As a result, the four themes identified were:

- 1) Protecting Lake Temiskaming and the Environment
- 2) Planning for the Community
- 3) Supporting Infrastructure Improvements
- 4) Attracting and Retaining Residents and Businesses

Following the presentation, participants were divided into four groups to provide input for each of the four themes, by way of breakout sessions. Following the groups rotation in each breakout session, all participants returned together for discussion on each theme.

Ms. Johnston noted that this input will provide direction to help to develop a set of draft strategic actions, forming the base of the Temiskaming Shores Community Development Strategy. Next steps include scheduling an action planning session in November 2024; followed by presenting the draft plan to Council in December 2024, prior to final adoption and implementation.

Mayor Laferriere thanked all participants for taking the time to attend the meeting, and to provide their input into the City's strategic plan development.

8. **Adjournment**

Resolution No. 2024-385

Moved by: Councillor Graydon

Seconded by: Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Be it resolved that City Council adjourns at 7:46 p.m.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk