

# The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores Special Meeting of Council Tuesday, November 22, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. City Hall – Council Chambers – 325 Farr Drive

# <u>Minutes</u>

# 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

# 1. Call to Order

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

# 2. Roll Call

- Council: Mayor Jeff Laferriere; Councillors Melanie Ducharme, Jesse Foley, lan Graydon, Nadia Pelletier-Lavigne, and Danny Whalen
- Present: Amy Vickery, City Manager Kelly Conlin, Municipal Clerk Shelly Zubyck, Director of Corporate Services Steve Burnett, Manager of Environmental Services Matt Bahm, Director of Recreation Jennifer Pye, Planner Steve Langford, Fire Chief
- Regrets: Councillor Mark Wilson

Media: 0

Members of the Public: 0

### 3. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>

<u>Resolution No. 2022-464</u> Moved by: Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne Seconded by: Councillor Whalen

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

Carried

### 4. Declaration of Special Council Meeting

<u>Resolution No. 2022-465</u> Moved by: Councillor Graydon Seconded by: Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that the Council of the City of Temiskaming Shores declares this meeting a "Special Meeting of Council" in accordance to Section 7 of Procedural Bylaw No. 2008-160.

Carried

#### 5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature

Councillor Melanie Ducharme disclosed an indirect Declaration of Interest on Communications Item 6 a) and New Business Item 7 a); both regarding the Proclamation for International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women; as she is employed in a Senior Management Role at the Pavilion Women's Centre and is a member of the Board that coordinates the Wrapped in Courage Campaign.

#### 6. <u>Communications</u>

a) Kayla Dinel-Martell – Residential Program Coordinator & Counsellor, Pavilion Women's Centre

Re: Request for Proclamation and Flag Raising

**Reference:** Motion Presented Under New Business

<u>Resolution No. 2022-466</u> Moved by: Councillor Whalen Seconded by: Councillor Pelletier-Lavigne

Be it resolved that City Council agrees to deal with Communication Item 10. a) according to the Agenda references.

Carried

# 7. <u>New Business</u>

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a) Proclamation - International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, November 25, 2022

Resolution No. 2022-467 Moved by: Councillor Graydon

Seconded by: Councillor Foley

Whereas violence continues to be the greatest gender inequality rights issue for women, girls and gender-diverse individuals; and

Whereas November is Woman Abuse Prevention Month; and

Whereas Gender-based violence is a human right issue which our community must work together to address, prevent and address through public awareness and education; and

Whereas 1 in 3 women will experience gender-based violence in their lifetime and these numbers increase exponentially for Black, Indigenous and Woman of Color; and

Whereas the COVID-19 pandemic has increased barriers to support and services for survivors of gender-based violence and their children; and

Whereas last year in Ontario, every 13 days a woman or child was killed by a man known to them, with the majority being their current or former intimate partner; and

Whereas this month and throughout the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, we acknowledge our community's support of the Wrapped in Courage campaign and commitment to ending gender-based violence; and

Whereas on November 25th, The International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, a Wrapped in Courage 2022 Campaign flag will be raised in recognition that the courage of a woman alone is not enough, it takes an entire community to end gender-based violence; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores hereby proclaims and declares that November 25th, 2022 shall be known as "The International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women" and urge all citizens to recognize this day by taking action to support survivors of gender-based violence and becoming part of Ontario wide efforts to end gender-based violence.

Carried

#### 8. **Closed Session**

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Resolution No. 2022-468 Moved by: Councillor Whalen Seconded by: Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that Council agrees to convene in Closed Session at 6:05 p.m. to discuss the following matters:

a) Under Section 239 (3.1) 1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members: Council Training Session

Resolution No. 2022-469 Moved by: Councillor Whalen Seconded by: Councillor Ducharme

Be it resolved that Council agrees to rise without report from Closed Session at 8:11 p.m.

#### 9. **Adjournment**

Resolution No. 2022-470 Moved by: Councillor Seconded by: Councillor

Be it resolved that City Council adjourns at 8:12 p.m.

Carried

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Mayor

Clerk

Carried