

# COUNCIL Highlights

## Council Meeting – June 5, 2023

Below are highlights of what Council Committee recommended when it convened during the Council meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023. The recommendations are subject to ratification at the next Council meeting scheduled for June 19, 2023:

- The report from Councillor Durnford regarding information and knowledge gained by attending the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's Ending Homelessness Symposium was received as information.
- THAT Report MC-23-10 dated May 16, 2023, from Councillors Durnford, Leatherdale and Czetwerzuk regarding information and knowledge gained by attending the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities 2023 Annual General Meeting and Conference was received as information.
- The following resolution was passed:  
*"WHEREAS residents of remote and rural communities in Ontario rely on their public community hospitals for surgeries and medical care;  
AND WHEREAS residents of these communities rely on their public community hospitals for surgeries and medical care;  
AND WHEREAS Bill 60, Your Health Act, 2023, will create private for-profit hospitals and clinics throughout the province;  
AND WHEREAS Bill 60, Your Health Act, 2023, will take thousands of surgeries and diagnostic tests out of our local public hospitals and offer those services to the private for-profit hospitals and clinics;  
AND WHEREAS Bill 60, Your Health Act, 2023, will draw doctors and nurses from the small community hospitals, resulting in the possible closure of those small public community hospitals forcing residents to travel longer distances for treatment.  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the City of Orillia supports the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association recommendation that the Ontario government reconsider its support for the expansion of private for-profit hospitals and clinics and rescind Bill 60;*  
The Mayor's Office was directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Health, Member of Provincial Parliament Jill Dunlop, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, and all Ontario Municipalities.
- The mandate and terms of reference to formally establish the Orillia Food Committee as a permanent Committee of Council were adopted. The Committee will be comprised of the following eleven members:

- One Council Representative being Councillor Jeff Czetwerzuk

- One member from the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit
  - One member from Georgian College
  - One member from Lakehead University
  - One member from The Sharing Place Food Centre
  - One local area farm operator
  - One youth member aged 18-25 who identifies as a local student
  - Four eligible electors including:
    - One member who identifies as Indigenous
    - One member who identifies as a senior
    - One member with lived experience of food insecurity or a background in sustainable and equitable food systems;
- Staff was directed to prepare a constitution by-law for inclusion in the City's Municipal Code and to report back with recommendations to identify a staff resource to support and guide the Committee as its subject matter expert.

**Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023:**

- Alterations made as part of Phase 1 of the Winter Control Sanding/Salting Strategy, on a pilot basis, were received and incorporated as part of standard operations. Staff were authorized to move forward with Phase 2 of the Winter Control Sanding/Salting Strategy, on a pilot basis and will report back in June 2024 to provide an update on the results of Phase 2 of the Winter Control Sanding/Salting Strategy.
- The report regarding the findings and outcomes of the Facility Risk Assessments completed for City sites and facilities was received as information.
- The results from the sharps recovery program was received as information. Option 1 of the report was approved and \$8,100 was authorized to purchase the necessary equipment, installation and contract the collection of sharps with funding appropriated from Operating Contingency. On-going operating funding of \$4,000 for container collection and disposal was referred to the 2024 Budget deliberations.
- The report regarding the "OrilliaNow" Website Portal, partially funded by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs - Rural Economic Development Program, was received.
- Subject to the commencement of the Council Chamber Audio/Visual and Accessibility Upgrades and Refurbishment Project, all regularly scheduled Council Meetings from June 20, 2023 through to August 31, 2023 inclusive, as well as December 11, 2023, will be held electronically using the Zoom meeting platform. All regularly scheduled Council meetings from September 1, 2023 through to December 18, 2023 inclusive, with the exception of December 11, 2023, will be held in person with the venue temporarily relocated from the Council Chamber of the Orillia City Centre to either the Studio or Lightfoot Theatres at the Orillia Opera House. Any Special and Public Meetings of Council scheduled from June 20, 2023 through to December 18, 2023 inclusive will be held electronically using the Zoom meeting platform.
- Staff was directed to change the planned virtual Public Open House scheduled on June 20, 2023 to a hybrid Public Open House scheduled on June 20, 2023.
- Staff was directed to prepare a report with respect to the following:

- The feasibility of allowing mobile ice cream trucks to operate on streets in residential areas within the City of Orillia.
- The efficacy and logistical challenges with Chapter 938 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Noise concerning the detonation of fireworks in residential areas. The report will also investigate the safety concerns of the detonation of fireworks.

**Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023 from Council Committee on May 15, 2023:**

- The confidential report regarding the Municipal Services Management Agreement was received. Staff were directed to negotiate the proposed terms within the Agreement based on the confidential direction from Council and to report back with a draft Agreement for Council's consideration.
- The Commemorative Awards Committee, in consultation with Indigenous partners and other relevant parties, was directed to review Thomas Gummersall Anderson's membership in Orillia's Hall of Fame and will report back to Council with recommendations on how to proceed.
- Schedule "19" to Traffic and Parking Regulation By-law Number 2007-55, as amended - *40 kilometre per hour Rate of Speed School Zones* will be further amended to designate Coldwater Road between Emily Street and Albert Street as a School Zone. \$20,000 will be allocated from the Operating Contingency Budget to install and operate flashing lights before the start of the 2023/2024 school year commencement on each end of the School Zone at Coldwater Road between Emily Street and Albert Street.
- Chapter 725 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Vehicle-for-Hire Licensing will be amended to repeal the requirement for a vulnerable sector screening certificate for transportation network company drivers.
- Policy 7.3.4.2. - Recreation Financial Assistance Program was adopted. Staff was directed to conduct a two-year pilot program for the Recreation Financial Assistance Program beginning January 1, 2024. Staff will report back to Council on the Recreation Financial Assistance Program after the two-year pilot program. Funding for the Recreation Financial Assistance Program will be referred to the 2024 Budget deliberations.
- The City of Orillia Policy Manual will be amended for housekeeping purposes as set out in Schedule "A" to the report.

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