

City of Barrie

70 Collier Street (Box 400) Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

Minutes - Final Community Services Committee

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 6:30 PM Council Chamber

For consideration by General Committee on June 19, 2017

The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Community Services Committee, Councillor B. Ainsworth at 6:32 p.m. The following were in attendance at the meeting:

Present: 3 - Councillor, B. Ainsworth

Councillor, R. Romita Councillor, A. Khan

Absent: 2 - Mayor, J. Lehman

Councillor, P. Silveira

STAFF:

City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Deputy Fire Chief of Prevention and CEMC, J. Weber
Deputy Fire Chief, Manager of Communications and Business Services, S. Dawson
Deputy Fire Chief of Operations, C. Mainprize
Fire Chief, B. Boyes
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, R. Forward
Manager of Building Services, S. Barks.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

PRESENTATION REGARDING BARRIE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICE 2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Bill Boyes, Fire Chief provided a presentation concerning the Barrie Fire and Emergency Service (BFES) 2016 Annual Report.

Fire Chief Boyes discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The organizational structure of the BFES;
- The strategic priorities of the BFES;
- Highlights from the 2016 Annual Report;
- Graphs illustrating the following:
 - The total incident response over the past eight years;
 - o The percentage increase in incident volumes over the past six years;
 - o The 2015/2016 number of incidents by month;
 - o The percentage of time that the six minutes incident response was achieved between 2010-2016;
 - o The number of fires with dollar loss for the past seven years;
 - o The total dollar loss between 2010-2016;
 - o 2016 BFES incident response by type;
 - o The five year average versus 2016 by incident response type;
- A map illustrating the location of 2016 fires;
- An outline of the BFES Promising Practices Study prepared by Susan Braedley; and
- The significant findings from the BFES Promising Practices Study.

In conclusion, Fire Chief Boyes commented that Barrie Fire and Emergency Service is moving in the right direction and is striving to be one of the most progressive fire departments in Canada. In closing, Fire Chief Boyes complimented staff of the Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and thanked the Executive Management Team and City Council for their support.

Members of the Community Services Committee asked several questions regarding the presentation and received responses from staff.

DISCUSSION REGARDING SPRINKLERS IN NEW CONSTRUCTION

The Committee met and discussed requirements for sprinklers in new construction. Councillor, B, Ainsworth outlined her concerns about that lack of no regulation for sprinklers in residential homes given the varying types of residential developments proposed in the City of Barrie.

S. Barks, Manager of Building Services commented that the Building Code overrules the Municipal By-laws with respect to buildings structure requirements. He noted that the Building Code requires sprinklers in residential buildings with more than four stories.

Fire Chief Boyes commented that the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs supports sprinklers in residential homes as there is clear evidence sprinklers protect and saves lives.

CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS REPORT - PROJECT 1659 - BIOSOLIDS FACILITY STORAGE TANK MIXER REPLACEMENT

The matter regarding Capital Project Status Report Project 1689 - Biosolids Facility Storage Tank Mixer Replacement was referred by City Council on June 5, 2017 to staff for a report back to General Committee. As such the matter was not addressed by the Community Services Committee.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "B"

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 27, 2017

The Report of the Communities in Bloom Committee dated April 27, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED MAY 3, 2017

The Report of the Environmental Advisory Committee dated May 3, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

REPORT OF THE SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED MAY 8, 2017

The Report of the Seniors Advisory Committee dated May 8, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

The Community Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following:

SECTION "C"

INVESTIGATION - FEASIBILITY OF HOSTING PROVINCIAL COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM SYMPOSIUM

That staff in the Roads, Parks and Fleet Department investigate the feasibility of the City of Barrie hosting the 2018 or 2019 Provincial Communities in Bloom Symposium and report back to the Communities in Bloom Committee. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 6/19/2017.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

CHAIR