



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES**

**Monday, March 6, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers
360 Dibble St. W.
Prescott, Ontario**

Present Mayor Brett Todd, Councillors Leanne Burton, Teresa Jansman, Fraser Laschinger, Lee McConnell, Mike Ostrander, and Ray Young

Staff Pierre Mercier, CAO, Matthew Armstrong, Treasurer, Dan Beattie Director of Public Works & Infrastructure, Kimberley Casselman, Director of Administration/Clerk, Jessica Crawford Accounting Clerk, and Lindsey Veltkamp, Executive Assistant Corporate Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Todd at 6:32 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: McConnell, Ostrander
That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None

4. PRESENTATIONS – None

5. DELEGATIONS - None

6. COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

6.1 Staff Report 07-2017 - Arena Upgrades and Future Options

Pierre Mercier, CAO, provided an overview of the report. He spoke to a Cimco presentation made in the past regarding the replacement of the ice plant and the proposed costs. He stated that the presentation did not include a number of elements needed to be addressed to ensure a successful replacement.. Mr. Mercier spoke to the current state of the ice plant, the accessibility component, and the need to look at options for the future.

Discussion was held regarding potential Federal infrastructure grants and considering planning for a new arena for the future.

Motion: Young, Ostrander

That the municipality continue to maintain the ice plant and proceed with the immediate implementation of safety and security measures which would include:

- Installation of ammonia sensors in the ice plant room and in the arena's public spaces;
- Development of an emergency management protocol for building evacuation and shelter in place provisions including a roof top warning siren and communication plan;
- Implementation of a management system which will include a 24/7 monitoring process including on-site inspection and recoding of ammonia system data every two hours;

- Training and certification of arena staff for the operation of the ice plant (underway)
- Purchase of required safety equipment;
- Training of firefighters to respond to any emergency at the Community Centre; and

That staff be directed to initiate a project planning process which will consider 2 options:

Option 1

1. Undertake a cost benefit analysis to identify the preferred alternative for the replacement of the ice plant.
2. Undertake a building condition assessment to identify deficiencies and the ability to undertake renovations and improvements.
3. Develop and cost out building improvement plans.

Option 2

Initiate a pre-planning process aimed at identifying the operational and financial feasibility of developing a new recreational facility.

Carried

The following amendment to the main motion was put forward:

Motion: Todd, Jansman

That staff be directed to add this analysis to the 2017 Capital Budget as part of the arena accessibility and safety item budgeted at \$200,000.

LOST on a division of 4 NAYS and 3 YEAS, as follows:

NAYS (4): Councillors Burton, Laschinger, McConnell, and Young

YEAS (3): Councillors Jansman, Ostrander, and Mayor Todd

Discussion was held regarding the proposed amendment, the cost of updating the accessibility issues, and federal infrastructure funding.

7. **FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES – None**
8. **TOURISM & HERITAGE – None**
9. **TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – None**
10. **PLANNING – None**
11. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - None**
12. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - 12.1 **Action Item List**

No changes were made to the Action Item List.

13. **PERIOD FOR MEDIA QUESTIONS – None**
14. **CLOSED SESSION**
 - 14.1 **2017 Community Awards**

Motion: Ostrander, Burton

That Committee of the Whole move into Closed Session at 7:09 p.m. to address matters pertaining to:

14.1 2017 Community Awards

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and

That the CAO, Treasurer, Director of Public Works & Infrastructure, Clerk, and Administrative Assistant - Corporate Services remain in the room.

Carried

15. RISE AND REPORT

During the Closed Session, Council received information from the 2017 Community Awards Working Group. Mayor Todd stated that the award presentations would be held on Monday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Burton, Ostrander

That the meeting be adjourned. (Time: 7:21 p.m.)

Carried

Original signed by

Mayor

Original signed by

Clerk