

Municipality of West Elgin

Minutes

Committee of the Whole Meeting

February 18, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

Electronic Participation Meeting via Zoom

Present: Mayor D. McPhail

Deputy Mayor R. Leatham

Councillor T. Tellier

Councillor A. Cammaert

Councillor B. Rowe

Staff Present: M. Badura, Treasurer

J. Nethercott, Clerk

L. Gosnell, Public Works Superintendent

1. Call to Order

Mayor McPhail called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved: Councillor Rowe

Seconded: Councillor Cammaert

That West Elgin Committee of the Whole adopt the agenda as circulated.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

No disclosures

4. Arena Re-Opening

Lee Gosnell, Manager of Operations & Community Services reported that there was an Emergency West Elgin Community Centre Board of

Management meeting held February 16, 2021. At this meeting, the Board heard that roughly 80% of the users are able to return to the ice under the current restrictions and that the Board committed to keeping the ice in until March 28, 2021.

Mayor McPhail thanked the Recreation Staff for their quick work in getting the ice surface and the building ready for use starting February 18, 2021

5. Budget Revisions Presentation

CAO/Treasurer Magda Badura provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2021 Draft Budget. Staff presented five (5) options for the Community Pool. After some discussion Committee of the Whole decided to move forward with Option 3, having pool open Thursday to Sunday from 2 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Clerk Jana Nethercott reviewed with Committee of the Whole the Community Grants. After some discussion the Committee choose to reduce the budgeted amount to \$56,000 through the reduction of award to Aldborough Public School to \$12,500 and reducing the money left for awards throughout the year to \$8,000. Committee of the Whole also agreed to continue hosting virtual Council and Committee meetings, thus freeing up the Recreation Centre on Thursdays for user groups and allowing Tiny Tots EarlyON program the use on Tuesday mornings.

6. Discussion on 2021 Budget

Committee of the Whole is now satisfied for the 2021 Budget to be presented at Council for approval.

7. Adjournment

Carried

Moved: Deputy Mayor Leatham Seconded: Councillor Rowe

That West Elgin Committee of the Whole hereby adjourn at 10:51 a.m. to meet again at 9:30 a.m. on February 25, 2021 as Council or at the call of the Chair.

Duncan McPhail, Mayor	Jana Nethercott, Clerk