

# SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 1:30 PM Council Chambers

For consideration by Council on June 1, 2015

The meeting of the Special Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 in Council Chambers, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: Mayor Van Bynen

Regional Councillor Taylor

Councillor Vegh

Councillor Kerwin (1:34 to 3:02 p.m.)

Councillor Twinney Councillor Sponga

Councillor Broome-Plumley

Councillor Bisanz

Absent: Councillor Hempen

Staff Present: R.N. Shelton, Chief Administrative Officer

I. McDougall, Commissioner of Community Services A. Moore, Commissioner of Corporate Services

A. Brouwer, Director of Legislative Services/Town Clerk

C. Kallio, Economic Development Officer S. Chase, Director of IT Innovations J. Patel, Business Support Analyst L. Moor, Council/Committee Coordinator

Guests: Mr. P. Ferguson, President, Newmarket-Tay Power

Mr. T. MacDonald, National Practice Leader – Grant Thornton Mr. B. Jackson, Director, Corporate Finance, Grant Thornton

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

Mayor Van Bynen in the Chair.

# **Declarations of Interests**

None.

# **Presentation**

1. Mr. Troy MacDonald, Grant Thornton addressed the Committee with a PowerPoint presentation providing analysis and strategic advice with respect to Newmarket Tay Power and the Ontario Local Distribution Company Market.

Moved by: Councillor Kerwin Seconded by: Councillor Vegh

THAT the analysis and strategic advice PowerPoint presentation by Mr. Troy MacDonald, Grant Thornton regarding Newmarket Tay Power and the Ontario Local Distribution Company Market be received.

#### Carried

2. Community Services Report 2015-18 dated May 19, 2015 regarding Update for Ultra-High Speed Corridor Pilot Project.

Mayor Van Bynen advised that this matter would be stood down until after the deputation was heard.

# Deputation

Moved by: Councillor Kerwin Seconded by: Councillor Bisanz

THAT the deputation by Mr. John Heckbert be heard at this time.

#### Carried

3. Mr. Heckbert addressed the Committee with a PowerPoint presentation regarding gigabit broadband.

Moved by: Councillor Kerwin Seconded by: Councillor Sponga

THAT the deputation by Mr. John Heckbert regarding gigabit broadband be received and referred to staff, for their information.

# **Carried**

## **Items**

4. Community Services Report 2015-18 dated May 19, 2015 regarding Update for Ultra-High Speed Corridor Pilot Project.

An alternate motion was presented and discussion ensued.

Moved by: Regional Councillor Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Sponga

- a) THAT Community Services Report 2015-18 dated May 19, 2015 regarding Update for Ultra-High Speed Corridor Pilot Project be approved noting staff's information provided with respect to some of the questions raised in the deputation;
- i) AND THAT staff be directed to proceed to the next step of negotiations with the preferred proponent;
- ii) AND THAT staff be directed to provide a further report to Council with the results of the negotiations, options for business models and a recommended business model, governance structure and budget impact;
- iii) AND THAT all negotiations be conditional on Council approval.

## Carried

# **Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor Sponga Seconded by: Councillor Kerwin

THAT the meeting adjourn.

# Carried

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.	
Tony Van Bynen, Mayor	Andrew Brouwer, Town Clerk