

**Planning & Building, Engineering and Environment Committee
Held in the Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall
Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**

Draft Minutes – Subject to Confirmation

Attendance

Members:	Chair Bell Mayor Farbridge	Councillor Guthrie Councillor Wettstein
Absent:	Councillor Piper	
Councillors:	Councillor Furfaro Councillor Hofland	Councillor Van Hellemond
Staff:	Dr. J. Laird, Executive Director of Planning & Building, Engineering and Environment Mr. T. Salter, General Manager, Planning Services Mr. D. Wyman, General Manager, Solid Waste Resources Ms. K. Suresh, General Manager, Wastewater Services Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Coordinator Ms. D. Black, Council Committee Coordinator	

Call to Order (2:00 p.m.)

Chair Bell called the meeting to order.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

Confirmation of Minutes

1. Moved by Councillor Guthrie
Seconded by Mayor Farbridge

That the open meeting minutes of the Planning & Building, Engineering and Environment Committee held on May 5, 2014 be confirmed as recorded.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Bell, Guthrie, and Wettstein (4)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

CARRIED

Consent Agenda

The following items were extracted from the June 10, 2014 Consent Agenda to be voted on separately:

PBEE-2014.16	Draft Grand River Watershed Water Management Plan
PBEE-2014.17	2014 Solid Waste Management Master Plan
PBEE-2014.18	Rental Housing Licensing Recommended Approach Council Referral

(follow up memo)

Extracted Consent Items

PBEE-2014.16 Draft Grand River Watershed Water Management Plan

Dr. Laird, Executive Director, Planning, Building, Engineering and Environment, provided an overview of the City's involvement with the draft Grand River Watershed Water Management Plan.

Mr. Joe Farwell, Chief Administrative Officer, Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA), summarized the role and scope of the GRCA, summarized the critical issues and explained the goals of the plan.

Ms. Kiran Suresh, General Manager, Wastewater Services, provided an overview of the integrated action plan emphasizing the City's role. She highlighted the purpose and goals of the management plan and explained the next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding potential legal or financial issues, risk abatement tools regarding flood damages, insurance issues, funding sources and stakeholder participation.

2. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Guthrie
 1. That Council endorse, in principle, the Grand River Watershed Water Management Plan.
 2. That the City continue to collaborate with other Plan partners to develop and voluntarily implement the best value solutions to water management issues in the Grand River Watershed.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Bell, Guthrie, and Wettstein (4)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

CARRIED

PBEE-2014.17 2014 Solid Waste Management Master Plan

Mr. Dean Wyman, General Manager, Solid Waste Resources provided an overview of the process of the Solid Waste Management Master Plan and advised there are no financial implications at this time.

Dr. Brajesh Dubey, Vice-Chair, Solid Waste Management Master Plan Review Steering Committee, provided a summary of the process to date, the current status, growth trends and hindrances of the plan and next steps. He noted that Guelph has achieved the highest diversion rate in Ontario at 68% and outlined the recommendations that will address multi-residential properties.

Discussion ensued regarding addressing behavioral issues, best practices, educational programs, AODA requirements and budget.

Mr. Ted Pritchard supports the plan and the recommendations that pertain to multi-residential units. He suggested that a Condominium Advisory Committee would be beneficial to address education, development of a database, and outreach for multi-residential units. He believes

the City needs to be more proactive to ensure proper waste separation occurs with multi-residential developments. He appreciates the timeline for expanding the type of collection services provided and suggested some of the current fleet be retained to provide bagged garbage pickup where dumpsters and carts are not viable. He thanked the City for providing a process that was an excellent example of a transparent and open government.

Mr. Cavan Acheson, Fair Taxes Campaign in Guelph, stated concerns about the level of taxes paid by condominium owners and services provided in comparison to single family dwellings. He believes the creation of a multi-residential waste diversion committee will cause further delays to multi-residential waste collection. He questioned the waste diversion rate because it does not include any private collection services. He believes waste collection needs to be addressed at the planning stages of new developments and a database for condominiums online is needed.

Discussion ensued regarding the timing of addressing the multi-residential properties, the determination of the diversion rate goal; the timing of exploring privatization of waste collection, and reducing waste collection costs.

3. Moved by Councillor Guthrie
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein
 1. That Council endorse in principle the recommendations contained in the 2014 Solid Waste Management Master Plan (SWMMP).
 2. That Council extend their appreciation to the members of the SWMMP Steering Committee for their efforts and dedication over the past year.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Bell, Guthrie, and Wettstein (4)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

CARRIED

PBEE-2014.18 Rental Housing Licensing Recommended Approach Council Referral (follow up memo)

Dr. Laird, Executive Director, Planning, Building, Engineering and Environment provided a synopsis of the rental housing licensing recommended approach Council referral follow up memo.

Discussion arose regarding the financing options and feasibility of hiring an additional staff person or training existing staff to initialize the program in 2014. The question of receiving a report on the rationale for the change in recommendations from one report to another, an explanation of why licensing would not address the issues, the benefits of the proposed program, a summary of costs for the two alternatives and funding sources was also raised.

5. Moved by Councillor Guthrie
Seconded by Mayor Farbridge
 1. That the memo regarding the matter of the Rental Housing Licensing Recommended Approach be received.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Bell, Guthrie, and Wettstein (4)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

CARRIED

Staff Updates and Announcements

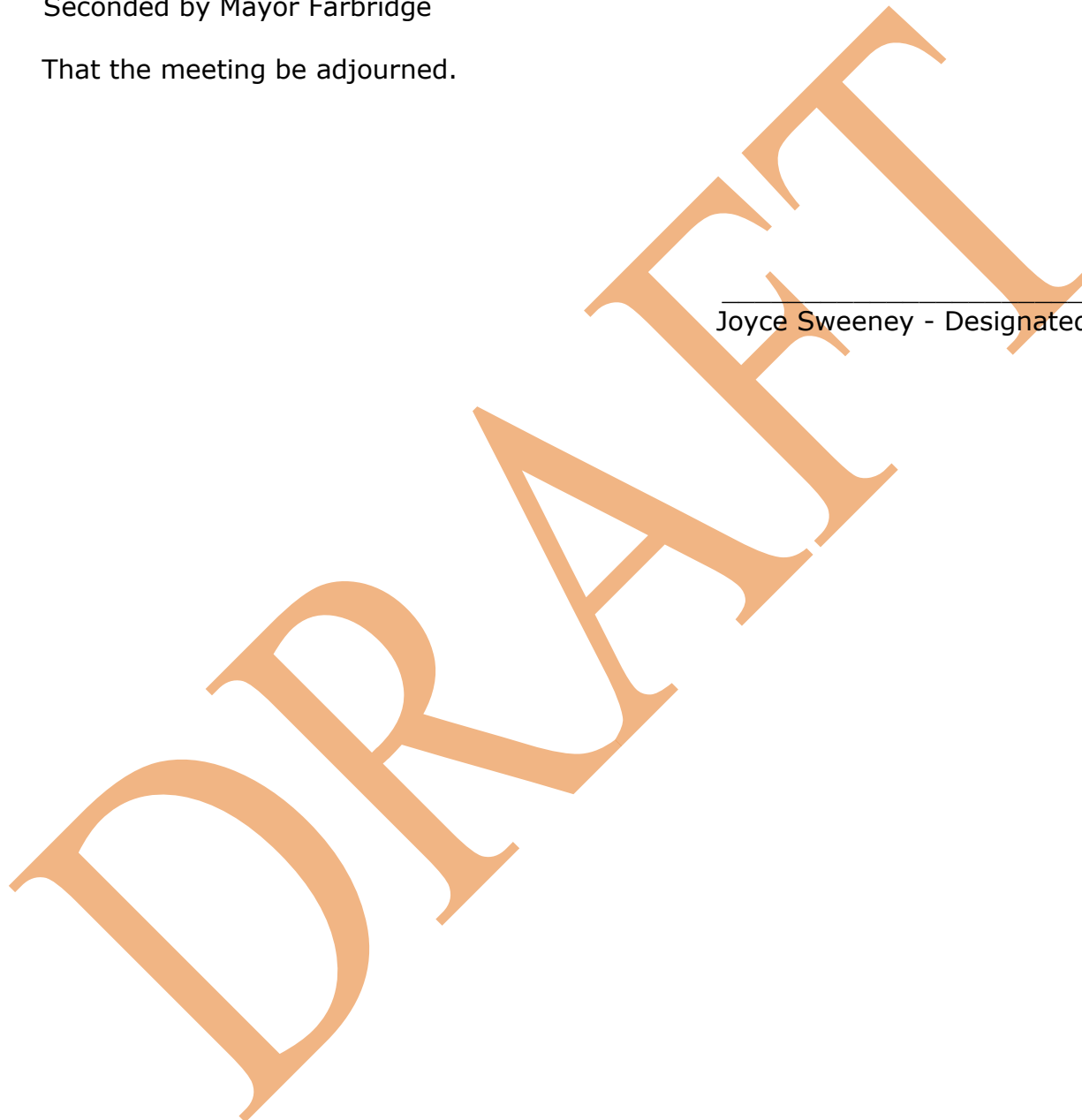
There were no updates or announcements.

Adjournment (3:38 p.m.)

6. Moved by Councillor Guthrie
Seconded by Mayor Farbridge

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED



Joyce Sweeney - Designated Clerk