



**MINUTES**  
**Strategic Priorities Committee**

April 17, 2018  
9:00 am  
Council Chambers, Town Hall

Council Present: Mayor Strathdee  
Councillor Osborne  
Councillor Van Galen  
Councillor Winter  
Councillor Pope  
Councillor Hainer  
Councillor Craigmile

Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk  
Trisha McKibbin, Director of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk  
Grant Brouwer, Director of Building and Development (arrived at 9:50am, left at 11:45 am during closed session)  
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works  
Dave Blake, Environmental Services Supervisor  
Kelly Deeks Johnson, Economic Development Manager  
Jeff Wolfe, Asset Management, Engineering Specialist  
Jenna McCartney, Corporate Administrative Coordinator

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Strathdee called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None.

**3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution 2018-04-17-01**

**Moved By:** Councillor Pope

**Seconded By:** Councillor Van Galen

**THAT** the April 17, 2018 Strategic Priorities Committee agenda be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

## **4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **4.1 Upper Thames River Conservation Authority re: Review of February 21-22 Flood**

Murray Blackie addressed Council and introduced himself as the Chair of the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority Board. Mr. Blackie introduced Ian Wilcox, General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer for Upper Thames River Conservation Authority.

Mr. Wilcox presented the review of the February 21-22 flood.

The Committee discussed the following points:

- process for determining models for 100 and 250 year storms when UTRCA is not in possession of local data from such storms
- the origin of standards and guidelines that UTRCA operate within
- impact of increasing current floodwall height
- purpose for provincial policy related to development standards within floodplain
- the sediment within Trout Creek

Mayor Strathdee thanked the staff and board members of the UTRCA for their participation in the meeting.

The Committee recessed at 10:17am.

Chair Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 10:24 am.

### **4.2 Rob Staffen and Dave Courtnage re: Ideas to Share - UTRCA, Business Investments and Our Community**

Rob Staffen spoke to the presentation and introduced Dave Courtnage.

Mr. Courtnage and Mr. Staffen shared their concerns with the Committee regarding the relationship between the UTRCA and the community, and their concerns with how the UTRCA operates the Wildwood Dam.

Mr. Staffen and Mr. Courtnage made the following recommendations to the Committee:

- Insist that UTRCA work with communities to align their priorities to be consistent with those of the communities they serve.
- Withhold funding increases to the UTRCA until St. Marys is confident the UTRCA is accountable to the community, including resolving concerns with the operation of Wildwood Dam.

- Insist UTRCA work with community to co-create a vision of community.

Mayor Strathdee thanked Mr. Staffen and Mr. Courtnage for their presentation.

The Committee recessed at 11:15am.

Chair Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 11:20am.

## **5. CLOSED SESSION**

### **Resolution 2018-04-17-02**

**Moved By:** Councillor Craigmile

**Seconded By:** Councillor Van Galen

**THAT** Council move into a session that is closed to the public at 11:20am as authorized under the Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

**CARRIED**

### **5.1 CAO 13-2018 CONFIDENTIAL Due Diligence re: Perth South Industrial Servicing Request**

## **6. RISE AND REPORT**

### **Resolution 2018-04-17-03**

**Moved By:** Councillor Pope

**Seconded By:** Councillor Van Galen

**THAT** the Strategic Priorities Committee rise from a closed session at 12:25pm.

**CARRIED**

Chair Strathdee reported that a closed session was held and one matter was considered related to a position, plan procedure, criteria or instruction applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on behalf of the municipality.

The Committee will hold a future meeting on May 28, 2018 at 9:00am in Council Chambers to further discuss servicing options.

There is nothing further to report at this time.

## **7. NEXT MEETING**

Chair Strathdee reviewed the upcoming meeting as presented in the agenda.

Councillor Van Galen asked for a point of order regarding the prepared resolutions related to agenda item 4.1 and 4.2.

**Resolution 2018-04-17-04**

**Moved By:** Councillor Van Galen

**Seconded By:** Councillor Winter

**THAT** Council defer the prepared resolutions for receipt of the delegations to a future meeting.

**CARRIED**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution 2018-04-17-05**

**Moved By:** Councillor Craigmile

**Seconded By:** Councillor Osborne

**THAT** this meeting of the Strategic Priorities Committee adjourn at 12:28pm.

**CARRIED**

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Al Stratthdee, Mayor

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Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk