

THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Department

Minutes of the Works and Utilities Committee

Monday, September 14, 1998

A special meeting of the Works and Utilities Committee was held on Monday, September 14, 1998, in the Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, Metro Hall, Toronto, commencing at 6:40 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair
Councillor Ila Bossons
Councillor Sandra Bussin
Councillor Tom Jakobek
Councillor Jack Layton
Councillor Bill Saundercook
Councillor Sherene Shaw
Councillor Michael Walker

Regrets:

Councillor Gerry Altobello
Councillor Lorenzo Berardinetti
Mayor Mel Lastman
Councillor David Shiner

159. Governance of Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission.

The Committee had before it a communication (September 8, 1998) from Mr. Mark S. Anshan, Chair, Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission, forwarding, on behalf of the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission, a copy of a report entitled "Accountability Framework for the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission", prepared by Jalyynn H. Bennett & Associates Ltd., who were retained by the Commission to undertake research and prepare a report on a recommended governance structure for Toronto Hydro and a process for selecting Directors; advising that the Commission generally endorses the Bennett report and outlining additional recommendations and comments with respect to composition, selection criteria, terms, process, remuneration and frequency of meetings; also forwarding a copy of the Commission's "Submission to the Standing Committee on Resource Development at Hearings on Bill 35, The Energy Competition Act", the Commission's Special Integration Newsletter entitled "Vision 2000", and a Background Fact Sheet on Toronto Hydro

Amalgamation and Bill 35; and requesting the opportunity to appear before the Works and Utilities Committee at its special meeting on September 14, 1998.

The Committee also had before it a copy of a Notice of an Amending By-Law, submitted by Councillor Betty Disero, which was before the Board of the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission at its meeting on September 10, 1998, respecting procedures for the reimbursement of the expenses of Commissioners, together with related material.

The following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Mark S. Anshan, Chair, Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission, and submitted a copy of his presentation;
- Mr. John Bech-Hansen, Economist, and Mr. Rob McLeese, Member, Electrical Task Force, Toronto Board of Trade;
- Mr. Jack Gibbons, Ontario Clean Air Alliance; and
- Mr. Bruno E. Silano, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local One.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Committee:

- (1) referred the aforementioned communication dated September 8, 1998, from Mr. Mark S. Anshan, Chair, Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission, and additional submissions respecting governance of the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee at its next meeting, scheduled to be held on September 24, 1998;
- (2) requested the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee on the aforementioned communication and submissions and questions raised during the deputations; and
- (3) directed that a copy of the aforementioned communication and submissions be forwarded to the Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Toronto Transition Team for information.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Toronto Transition Team; Chief Administrative Officer; c: Mr. Mark S. Anshan; Mr. John Bech-Hansen; Mr. Jack Gibbons; Mr. Bruno E. Silano - September 14, 1998)

160. Appointments to the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission.

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The Committee had before it a communication (August 5, 1998) from the City Clerk advising that the Striking Committee at its meeting held on July 29, 1998, requested the City Clerk to:

- (1) advise Members of Council that it is anticipated that appointments of Members of Council may need to be made to the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission once the composition of the new Commission is established; and
- (2) canvass Members of Council, at the appropriate time, for their interest in being appointed to the new Commission;

and that accordingly, if it is determined that appointments of Members of Council will need to be made to the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission once the composition of the new Commission is established, Members of Council will be canvassed for their possible interest in such appointments at that time.

The Committee received the aforementioned communication.

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Chair.