



COUNCIL MINUTES October 7, 2020 9:00AM

Present: Mayor Horner, Deputy Mayor Hawkins, Councillors Boxem, Clark and Cufaro (all through video conferencing).

Staff Present: Tracey Atkinson – CAO, Heather Boston, Treasurer, John Willmetts – Public Works (all through video conferencing).

1.1 Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m. by Mayor Horner. The meeting was held using electronic “Zoom” application. The session was held with the capacity of up to 100 users by video and/or audio. Delegates and approximately 25 public users were present for parts of the meeting.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Boxem and Seconded by: Cufaro

THAT Council approve the agenda.
CARRIED

1.3 Land Acknowledgement

We begin this meeting by acknowledging that we are meeting upon the traditional Indigenous lands of the Tionontati (Petun) and Treaty 18 territory of the Anishinaabe peoples. We recognize and deeply appreciate their historic connection to this place and we also recognize the contributions Indigenous peoples have made, both in shaping and strengthening our community, province and country as a whole.

1.4 Passing of the previous meeting minutes

Moved by: Clark and Seconded by: Boxem

THAT the Minutes of September 2, 2020 are approved.
CARRIED

1.5 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest - None

- 1.6 Fifteen-minute question period** (all questions must be submitted to the Clerk at info@mulmur.ca, a minimum of 24 hours before the meeting date)

The following questions were received from Cheryl Russell

‘Seasonal Sales’ has been removed from the title of the Special Occasion by-law draft, but the definition of season sales remains, should this not be removed?

The draft may meet all official requirements and is simplified for the public, but as has been mentioned before, it does not give the people of Mulmur an opportunity to have a say. The by-law allows the CAO alone to decide whether an event of 51 to two thousand, or more, may go ahead with the proponent only having to provide notification to landowners within 120 metres of the event. As we have experienced in the past, large events can negatively affect landowners who live much farther away than 120 metres.

Council and residents deserve an opportunity to express any concerns they have with an application and not have it only in the hands of the CAO.

The following response was provided:

Seasonal sales have been removed from the title but not the by-law itself. The by-law has been revised to authorize the Clerk for events unlikely to cause a noise issue. Circulation and Council involvement is triggered by the noise exemption request. Concerns expressed and the by-law would be returned to a future meeting.

The current staff directory lists a CAO, Acting Clerk/Planner, a Treasurer; a Treasury & Payroll Clerk, an Administrative Assistant, and a Treasury Assistant. This list does not include Christine Hickey, working as a consultant in the Clerks Department, or the temporary communications consultant you advertised for. There appears to be more staff/consultants than in the past. Are all the positions in the 2020 budget and if not, who authorized the hiring?

The following response was provided:

Staffing is below the budgeted number of positions, total hours and budget and still short approximately one full-time equivalent staff member.

2.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS – None

3.0 DEPUTATIONS AND INVITATIONS

Delegations

- 3.1 Pine River Valley Residents., Catherine Lyall (9:15 am)
Re: Mansfield Ski Club Development Proposal**

**3.2 Headwaters Health Care Centre, Kim Delahunt (9:30)
Re: Update on Activities and Needs within Hospital Foundation's Priority Campaigns**

Moved by: Cufaro and Seconded by: Clark

THAT Council receive the delegation from Pine River Valley Residents, Catherine Lyall, regarding The Mansfield Ski Club Development Proposal. and the delegation from Headwaters Health Care Centre, Kim Delahunt, regarding the update on activities and needs within Hospital Foundation's Priority Campaigns.

CARRIED

Invitations

**3.3 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Doug Hevenor and Sheryl Flannagan (9:45)
Re: 2021 Budget**

Moved by: Clark and Seconded by: Boxem

THAT Council receive the delegation from Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Doug Hevenor and Sheryl Flannagan, regarding the 2021 Budget.

CARRIED

Moved by: Clark and Seconded by: Boxem

THAT Council approve the NVCA levy amount of \$41,994 plus \$2300 capital.

CARRIED

**3.4 Frank Cowan Insurance, Brian Anderson (Verbal Update) (10:00 am)
Re: Cycle Routes on Municipal Roads**

Delegation/Invitation deferred to a future meeting.

**3.5 Watson and Associates Economists Ltd., Sean-Michael Stephen (10:15 am)
Re: 2020 Water Rate Study and O. Reg. 453/07 Financial Plan**

Moved by: Clark and Seconded by: Cufaro

THAT Council receive the delegation from Watson and Associates Economists Ltd., Sean-Michael Stephen, regarding The Township of Mulmur 2020 Water Rate Study and O. Reg. 453/07 Financial Plan;

AND THAT the preferred rate structure is Scenario 3 (Base Charge + Constant Rate with 20-year Phase-in);

AND FURTHER THAT a final report and financial plan be brought to the Council on November 4th.

CARRIED

4.0 PUBLIC WORKS – None

5.0 TREASURY

5.1 COVID-19 Financial Update #3

Moved by: Hawkins and Seconded by: Clark

THAT Council receive the report of Heather Boston, Treasurer, COVID-19 Financial Update #3 and that the report be updated as discussed.

CARRIED

6.0 ADMINISTRATION

6.1 Draft Mulmur Recreation Master Plan: Feedback Questionnaire

Moved by: Clark and Seconded by: Earl

That the Draft Mulmur Recreation Questionnaire from Sierra Planning and Management be received.

AND FURTHER THAT the Questionnaire be updated and include a cover letter (summary page), link and that it be mailed out with the Broadband survey.

CARRIED

6.2 Draft Special Event Permit By-law

Direction given to staff to revise the by-law and bring back to the next meeting.

6.3 Dufferin Foundation Grant Agreement

Moved by: Clark and Seconded by: Boxem

That the Dufferin Foundation Grant Agreement be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Township of Mulmur authorize executing the agreement substantially in same format

CARRIED

7.0 PLANNING

7.1 Verbal Update on Current Planning Applications

Staff were given direction to respond regarding the Mansfield Ski Club Development Proposal delegation.

8.0 COMMITTEE MINUTES AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 8.1 Dufferin County Council (verbal update only)**
- 8.2 Rosemont District Fire Board – Draft Minutes dated September 16, 2020**
- 8.3 Mulmur Melancthon Fire Board – Draft Minutes dated September 22, 2020**
- 8.4 Community Communications Advisory Committee - Draft Minutes dated September 28, 2020**

Moved by: Hawkins and Seconded by: Clark

THAT Council receives the Committee Minutes and Sub-Committee Reports as circulated.

CARRIED

9.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9.1 Township of Amaranth - Support of Long-term Care Facility Inspection**
- 9.2 Town of Gravenhurst – resolution dated September 16, 2020 - National Designation of August 1st as Emancipation Day**
- 9.3 Loyalist Township – resolution dated September 15, 2020 - Funding for Ferry Transportation**
- 9.4 Township of North Glengarry – resolution dated September 14, 2020 - Inspection of Long-term Care Homes**
- 9.5 Ontario Provincial Police – 2019 Progress Report – Dufferin Detachment**
- 9.6 Follow-up – School Bus Camera Arm – Response**
- 9.7 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority - NVCA Board Meeting Highlights August 28, 2020**
- 9.8 Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Rural Affairs – Letter dated August 31 - Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2020**
- 9.9 AMO Policy Update**
- 9.10 Ontario Energy Board Notice – Enbridge Gas Inc. – Application to dispose of certain account balances and for approval of the amount of its earnings that it must share with customers.**
- 9.11 Town of Orangeville – Mandatory Face Mask By-law**
- 9.12 Ontario Provincial Police - 2021 Annual Billing Letter**
- 9.13 Township of Melancthon - Notice of Public Meeting- Accessory Dwelling Units**
- 9.14 County of Dufferin - MCR – Growth Management Next Steps**
- 9.15 County of Dufferin - Employment Land Conversion Requests in advance of, and as part of, the Dufferin County Municipal Comprehensive Review**
- 9.16 WSP - Amendment 1 to A Place to Grow & Land Needs Assessment Methodology**

Moved by: Cufaro and Seconded by: Boxem

THAT Council receives the information items as copied and circulated and that the following items be endorsed: 9.1, 9.4, 9.5.

CARRIED

10.0 CLOSED SESSION - None

11.0 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Property Standards By-law
Special Event By-law
By-law Enforcement Update
Fire Burn By-law
ATV By-law
NDCC Efficient Study
Strategic Plan Actions
LED Update
Energy Plan

12.0 NOTICES OF MOTION (if any)

Notice of Motion to be brought forward by Earl Hawkins, for the November 4, 2020 Agenda:
THAT Mulmur encourage the CRTC to accelerate the acceptance for provisioning of satellite internet services.

13.0 PASSING OF BY-LAWS

Passing the following by-laws:

- 1) Mulmur Community Fund By-law**
- 2) Confirmatory By-Law**

Moved by: Cufaro and Seconded by: Clark

Staff recommendation: THAT By-Laws 1 to 2 be approved.
CARRIED

14.0 MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Hawkins and Seconded by: Clark

THAT Council adjourns the meeting at 3:12 to meet again on Wednesday November 4, 2020 or at the call of the Chair.
CARRIED

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Janet Horner, Mayor

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Tracey Atkinson, Acting Clerk