



COUNCIL MINUTES November 2, 2022 – 9:00 AM

Council Present: Mayor Horner, Deputy Mayor Hawkins, Councillor Clark, Councillor Cunningham

Council Absent: Councillor Boxem

Staff Present: Tracey Atkinson – CAO/Clerk/Planner, Roseann Knechtel - Deputy Clerk/Planning Coordinator

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

2.0 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.

The Mayor acknowledged the completion of the 2022 municipal election thanking all involved. Special thanks were given to candidates, those who voted and Councillor Boxem for her service.

Council welcomed Donna Funston who joined the municipality on October 31, 2022 as the Payroll and Accounting Coordinator.

3.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT Council approve the agenda.

CARRIED.

4.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT the Minutes of October 5, 2022 are approved.

CARRIED.

5.0 DISCUSSION ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

An update was provided from the October 28, 2022 Primrose Elementary School parent information session. The Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) has committed to providing weekly updates. The design specifications for a new well have been completed. The UGDSB anticipates contracting a well-drilling company in the next two weeks at which point a date to complete test holes will be scheduled. The water tanker and pipe leading into the building will be heat traced to prevent freezing.

Council discussion ensued on the steps being taken to expedite the process. Council directed staff to draft a letter outlining Mulmur's concerns regarding the timeliness of installing the new well.

Tracey Atkinsons provided an update on discussions with the Upper Grand District School Board planning department regarding school capacity and boundary adjustments.

6.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

7.0 PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

A question was received related to how the Upper Grand District School Board monitors and maintains its infrastructure.

Councillor Cunningham confirmed that a technical supervisor from the UGDSB was in attendance and presented at the parent information session on October 28, 2022.

8.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS - NONE

9.0 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS - NONE

10.0 PUBLIC WORKS - NONE

11.0 RECREATION - NONE

12.0 TREASURY - NONE

13.0 ADMINISTRATION

13.1 2022 Election Statistics

Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk presented the participating rates and voting percentages for the 2022 municipal election.

Discussion ensued on voter turnout, feedback received on voting system and support for maintaining in person polling stations.

Moved by Cunningham Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receive the report of Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk, 2022 Election Statistics.

CARRIED.

14.0 PLANNING

14.1 Bill 23 and More Homes Built Faster

Tracey Atkinson, Planner, presented the proposed legislation of Bill 23 noting its release the day following elections and a commenting period deadline of November 24, 2022.

The proposed legislation includes 9 Schedules amending a number of Acts, including the Conservation Authorities Act, Planning Act, Municipal Act and Development Charges Act.

Discussion ensued on Council's ability to continue to host public meetings. Council expressed concerns with:

- development on floodplains and wetlands;
- downloading of Conservation Authority mandate;
- spending and allocation of development charges;
- development charge exemptions for certain housing types;
- parkland dedication impacts; and
- implications on the education and health care systems.

Silva Yousif, Planner for Dufferin County provided comments on the legislated changes and impacts.

Moved by Cunningham Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receive the report of Tracey Atkinson, Planner, entitled Bill 23;

AND THAT Council direct staff to submit comments by the legislated deadline.

CARRIED.

Council recessed at 10:26 a.m. and returned at 10:33 a.m.

14.2 Environmental Assessment and Development Charges Update

Tracey Atkinson, Planner, presented an update on the Armstrong Subdivision and the need for an Environmental Assessment for the Mansfield Water System. Atkinson confirmed an area specific charge would include all lands and future development within the settlement boundary.

Moved by Clark Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council receive the report of Tracey Atkinson, Planner, entitled Environmental Assessment and Development Charges Update;

AND THAT Council direct staff to update the Development Charge to introduce an area-specific water charge prior to the July 3, 2024 five year anniversary.

CARRIED.

14.3 Committee of Adjustment

Tracey Atkinson, Planner, presented Council's options to re-establish its authority to grant consent and minor variance to meet the legislated deadlines to hold public meetings for files B03-2022 and B04-2022.

Council discussion ensued on combining the Inaugural Meeting of Council with the Committee of Adjustment public meeting date of November 30, 2022.

Moved by Hawkins Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receive the report of Tracey Atkinson, CAO/Clerk/Planner and Roseann Knechtel Deputy Clerk/Planning Coordinator, Committee of Adjustment;

AND THAT Council disband the Committee of Adjustment to meet the legislated deadline to hold public meetings for Consent files B03-2022 Mansfield Church and B04-2022 Lazier on November 30, 2022;

AND THAT Council resume the authority to make decision on consents and minor variances under section 45 of the Planning Act until such time as Council provides direction to advertise and re-establish the Committee of Adjustment.

AND FURTHER THAT the Inaugural Meeting of Council be rescheduled to occur on November 30, 2022.

CARRIED.

15.0 COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS

15.1 Dufferin County Council Minutes: October 13, 2022

15.2 Committee Awards and Recognition

Mayor Horner provided a verbal summary for item 15.1

Council recognized the impact and importance of its volunteers and presented certificates of appreciation to volunteers in attendance.

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT Council receives the Committee Minutes and Reports as copied and circulated.

CARRIED.

16.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

16.1 Town of Orangeville Economic Outlook Summit

16.2 Township of East Garafraxa: Federal Electoral Boundaries

16.3 OLT Notice of Hearing: Csizik

16.4 OLT Notice of Hearing: Centre Road Neighbours vs. Bax

16.5 Seniors Community Grant Program 2022-2023

16.6 Solicitor General: OPP Police Service Boards

16.7 OPP 2023 Annual Billing Statement

16.8 NVCA 2023 Draft Budget

16.9 Dufferin County Outdoor Recreation Plan

16.10 Dufferin County: OPA 4 Approval

16.11 2022 3rd QTR Financials

16.12 Honeywood School

16.13 Endorsement of Mulmur's Primrose School Resolution

Discussion ensued on item 16.3 16.5, 16.8, 16.9 and 16.12.

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council receives the information items as copied.

CARRIED.

16.14 Municipality of Huron Shores: streamlining Governing Legislation for Physicians in Ontario

16.15 Municipality of East Ferris: Ontario Child Care Workforce Shortage

16.16 Township of Clearview: Proposed Redistribution of Federal Electoral Boundaries

16.17 Municipality of Brighton: Healthcare Connect System for Members of the Canadian Armed Forces

Moved by Clark and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT the following items be endorsed 16.14, 16.15, 16.16 and 16.17.

CARRIED.

17.0 CLOSED SESSION - NONE

18.0 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

18.1 Gravel Pit Reserves

19.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

20.0 PASSING OF BY-LAWS

20.1 By-law to Disband the Committee of Adjustment

20.2 Confirmatory By-law

Moved by Clark and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT By-Laws 20.1 and 20.2 be approved.

CARRIED.

21.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council adjourns the meeting at 11:30 a.m. to meet again on November 30, 2022 for the Inaugural Meeting of Council, or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED.

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Janet Horner, Mayor

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Tracey Atkinson, CAO/Clerk