



**COUNCIL MINUTES
July 5, 2023 – 9:00 AM**

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

Regrets: Councillor Lyon

Staff Present: Tracey Atkinson, CAO/Clerk/Planner and Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:03 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.

3.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Clark

THAT Council approve the agenda as amended to include item 9.3 Special Events.

CARRIED.

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT Council further amend the agenda to include item 9.4 being 2023 Hazardous Waste and item 9.5 being Social Media Postings.

CARRIED.

4.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT the minutes of June 7, 2023 are approved as amended.

CARRIED.

5.0 DISCUSSION ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

Mayor Horner provided an update on the 2023 Strawberry Festival and thanked all who volunteered.

6.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS - NONE

7.0 PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

A question was received regarding the Township's ability to financially support arena operations based on the proposed agreement with Melancthon.

Council echoed the resident concerns and explained the new funding formula is based on participants rather than percentages. Mulmur is prepared to enter into a one-year agreement.

A question was received whether Mulmur would consider similar traffic calming measures to those used in Horning's Mills. Staff responded that data is currently being collected and a report to Council is forthcoming.

A comment was received regarding keeping meeting structure and keeping closed sessions at the end of the council meetings to accommodate public participation.

8.0 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Michael Poitras: Parkland Dedication Fee

Council welcomed Michael Poitras who sought a Council exemption for payment of the parkland dedication fee. Poitras explained the delays experienced in obtaining a development permit from the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC).

Discussion ensued on the NEC approval process and payment requirements. Council thanked Michael Poitras for his delegation.

Moved by Clark Seconded by Cunningham

WHEREAS Council thanks Michael Poitras for his delegation;

AND WHEREAS a development permit was issued by the Niagara Escarpment Commission on January 18, 2023;

AND WHEREAS an application to construct was submitted to the Dufferin County building department in June 2023;

AND WHEREAS Council passed Bylaw 12-2023 on May 3, 2023 requiring cash in lieu of Parkland Conveyance;

NOW THEREFORE after careful consideration Council decide to uphold the Parkland Dedication Fee required in By-law 12-2023 for Development.

CARRIED.

8.2 Jan and Ivana Benda: Honeywood Arena Concept Drawings

Council welcomed Jan Benda who presented conceptual ideas for the Honeywood Arena.

Discussion ensued on scope of renovations required and financial costs of additional recreational facilities.

Moved by Cunningham Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receive the presentation from Jan Benda.

CARRIED.

9.0 REPORTS FOR DECISION

9.1 Planning – Environmental Official Plan Amendment – Policy Options Report, NPG

Council welcomed Rob Fiedler, NPG, who presented the recommendations within the policy update report. Fiedler addressed timing and consistency with the Province's proposed Planning Policy Statement and various natural heritage systems and categories in the Township.

Discussion ensued on protection of local wetlands and timing of a public meeting.

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receive and approve the report of NPG Planning Solutions, dated January 2023 and support the recommendations therein;

AND THAT Council direct staff to move forward with advertisement of a public meeting on September 6, 2023.

CARRIED.

9.2 Housekeeping Policies

Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk, presented staff's review of current Council policies and housekeeping measures.

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receive the report of Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk, Housekeeping Policies;

AND THAT Council repeal the following policies:

- 2004 Procedure Preparation and Registration of Road Widening;
- 2009 Accessibility Plan, 2009 Customer Service Accessibility Policy;
- 2005 Committee of Adjustment Meal Allowance; and
- 2002 Committee of Adjustment Refunds.

CARRIED.

9.3 Special Events

Council discussed the need for tables and chairs at the International Plowing Match and the request from IPM to use the tables and chairs located at the North Dufferin Community Centre. Council discussed that IPM should be responsible for any damage to the tables and chairs.

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT Council approve the request from the International Plowing Match to borrow the tables and chairs from the North Dufferin Community Centre at no cost, pending approval from the Township of Melancthon;

AND THAT Council forward the request to the Council of the Township of Melancthon for consideration.

CARRIED.

Discussion ensued on the request for Council representation at the 18th Annual Jim Cuddy Jamboree event on Saturday August 5, 2023. Direction was given to Councillor Clark to attend as a representative of the Township of Mulmur at the 18th Annual Jim Cuddy Jamboree, and that no per diem be applied.

CARRIED.

Council recessed at 10:22 a.m. and returned at 10:33 a.m.

9.4 2023 Hazardous Waste Days

Discussion ensued on the 2023 calendar of Hazardous Waste Days.

Moved by Clark Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council respectfully request a 2023 Hazardous Waste Day be hosted in the Township of Mulmur to accommodate the northern residents of Dufferin County;

AND THAT a Hazardous Waste Day in Mulmur be scheduled annually thereafter.

CARRIED.

9.5 Social Media Postings

Discussion ensued on posting Council meeting recordings online. Direction was given to staff to provide the September meeting recording to Council for consideration.

10.0 COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORT

10.1 Hills of Headwaters Collaborative Minutes: May 11, 2023

10.2 Dufferin County Council Minutes: May 11, 2023

10.3 Shelburne Public Library Board Minutes: May 16, 2023

10.4 Rosemont District Fire Board Minutes: June 5, 2023

10.5 Shelburne District Fire Board Minutes: June 6, 2023

10.6 Dufferin County Council Minutes: June 8, 2023

10.7 Joint Meeting of Police Services Boards Minutes: June 17, 2023

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receives the committee minutes as copied and circulated.

CARRIED.

11.0 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

11.1 2nd QTR Planning Report

11.2 2nd QTR By-law Enforcement

11.3 NDCC Fuel Tank Removal Verbal Update

11.4 Strategic Planning Community Conversations Report

11.5 Notice of Public Meeting: Z02/Z03-2023 BONNEFIELD

11.6 Notice of Public Meeting: Z04-2023 WHITE

11.7 Resident Correspondence: Fireworks

11.8 Resident Correspondence: Wildfire Smoke

11.9 ERO: Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

11.10 NVCA Board Highlights June 2023

11.11 Ontario Climate Caucus Correspondence

11.12 NDACT Media Release

11.13 Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry: Public Land Act Amendments

Discussion occurred on items 11.1, 11.3, 11.7, 11.8, 11.11 and 11.12.

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receives the information items as copied;

AND THAT Council direct staff to send response to items 11.7, 11.8 and 11.9 as discussed.

CARRIED.

12.0 ENDORSEABLE MOTIONS

- 12.1 Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury: Right to Repair**
- 12.2 Town of Essex: Code Red and Code Black Frequency**
- 12.3 Municipality of North Perth: Vacant Building Official Positions**
- 12.4 Norfolk County: Highway Traffic Act Amendments**

Moved by Clark and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council endorse the following resolutions: 12.1, 12.2 and 12.3.

CARRIED.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

- 13.1 BTC Parking Lot**
- 13.2 Honeywood Cemetery**

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council adjourn to closed session at 11:39 a.m. pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended for two (2) matters relating to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. 239(2)(e).

CARRIED.

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham

THAT Council do rise out of closed session and into open session at 12:45 p.m. with the following motions/directions:

THAT Council supports the proposed improvements of the Bruce Trail parking lot approximate dimensions of 7m by 70m at the Centre Road ROW, South of 5 Sideroad, to reduce on-street parking, congestion to farm implements and improves the safety and visibility of the parking area;

AND THAT Council supports its residents and desires to minimize impacts to its residents by visitors to the Bruce Trail, and direct staff to examine mitigation techniques including but not limited to signage relating to “no camping”, “no overnight parking”, “no trespass”, “no winter access” and “private property”;

AND FURTHER THAT Council requests the Bruce Trail Conservancy to include information on their website, app and social media that respect local properties, camping and overnight restrictions.

CARRIED.

Council recessed at 12:46 p.m. and returned at 1:56 p.m.

14.0 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- 14.1 NVCA MOU**
- 14.2 Election Signage**
- 14.3 Mulmur Recreation Strategy**
- 14.4 Fireworks Education Results**
- 14.5 Arena Funding Formulas and User Fees (2024)**
- 14.6 5-year NDCC Capital Cost Projections**
- 14.7 2023 Strawberry Festival Report**

15.0 PASSING OF BY-LAWS

- 15.1 Mansfield Water Environmental Assessment Agreement By-law**
- 15.2 NDCC Recreation Agreement By-law**
- 15.3 Confirmatory By-Law**

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Clark

THAT By-Laws 15.1 to 15.3 be approved.

CARRIED.

21.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Clark and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT Council adjourns the meeting at 2:50 p.m. to meet again on September 6, 2023 or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED.

Janet Horner
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Janet Horner, Mayor

Tracey Atkinson
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Tracey Atkinson, CAO/Clerk