



## COUNCIL MINUTES January 10, 2024 – 9:00 AM

Council Present: Mayor Horner, Deputy Mayor Hawkins, Councillors Clark, Cunningham, and Lyon

Staff Present: Tracey Atkinson, CAO/Clerk/Planner, Heather Boston, Treasurer, Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk

### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:05 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 Lyon and Seconded by Cunningham**

THAT Council approve the agenda as amended to include item 11.8 NDCC Programming.

**CARRIED.**

### 4.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

**Moved by Lyon and Seconded by Clark**

THAT the minutes of December 13, 2023 be approved.

**CARRIED.**

### 5.0 DISCUSSION ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

### 6.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS - NONE

### 7.0 PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Cheryl Russel questioned the status of the County of Dufferin's delegation requests to ROMA. County CAO Sonya Pritchard confirmed the County's requests have been granted.

Cheryl Russel applauded the Town of Mono positions on poverty and strong mayor powers, encouraging Mulmur Council to show support.

Barbara Bailie asked for an update on the Township snow plow repairs and Tracey Atkinson confirmed repairs are underway.

## **8.0 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **8.1 County of Dufferin: Economic Development**

EDC Manager Yaw Ennin presented on behalf of the County of Dufferin. As a grassroots approach, the County proposed a framework for consideration and requested Mulmur identify 3-5 unique Mulmur priorities.

Tracey Atkinson spoke to Mulmur's strategic planning, community input sessions and work completed to date on identifying Mulmur's economic development priorities.

#### **Moved by Lyon and Seconded by Cunningham**

THAT Council receive the presentation from the County of Dufferin on the Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan.

**CARRIED.**

### **8.2 Honeywood Minor Hockey**

Chester Tupling presented the following concerns on behalf of Honeywood Minor Hockey:

- Costs to rent the Norduff Room when providing free services such as a mouth guard clinics or team photos.
- Cleaning and maintenance of the Norduff Room.
- Rentals of the Norduff Room cut short.
- Ice time cancellations due to weather.
- Staffing of events.
- The need for a visible shared calendar in the lobby.
- Points of contact outside of Township business hours.

Honeywood Minor Hockey made the following requests:

- A payment agreement for the use of the Norduff Room.
- Inclusion of a cancellation policy for weather in the rental agreement.

**Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham**

THAT Council receive the delegation from Chester Tupling of Honeywood Minor Hockey;

AND THAT Council direct staff to draft an amendment to the rental agreement to allow for cancellations due to weather;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to draft an agreement with Honeywood Minor Hockey for use of the Norduff Room to be presented at the February Council meeting for consideration.

**CARRIED.**

Council recessed at 10:15 a.m. and returned at 10:30 a.m.

**9.0 REPORTS FOR DECISION**

**9.1 Draft #3: 2024 Budget**

Council reviewed the amendments and proposed budget of a 4.92% tax rate increase.

**Moved by Lyon and Seconded by Cunningham**

THAT Council approve the 2024 Operating and Capital Budget for the Township of Mulmur as presented.

**CARRIED.**

**9.2 Mansfield General Store: Sign By-law Amendment**

Council reviewed the request for variance to the Township's Sign By-law # 09-2022 to permit a digital scrolling sign at the Mansfield General Store.

Members expressed concern with light pollution, signage visibility, maintaining rural character and messaging content.

Councillor Clark requested a recorded vote.

**Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Lyon**

THAT Council approve the variance to Sign By-law #09-2022 as requested by the Mansfield General Store to permit illuminated and digital signage subject to entering into an agreement.

	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>
Councillor Clark		N
Councillor Cunningham		N
Councillor Lyon	Y	
Deputy Mayor Hawkins	Y	
Mayor Horner	Y	

**CARRIED.**

## **10.0 COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS**

- 10.1 Shelburne Library Board Minutes: October 17, 2023**
- 10.2 Dufferin County Council Minutes: November 30, 2023**
- 10.3 Shelburne & District Fire Board Minutes: December 5, 2023**
- 10.4 Dufferin County Council Minutes: December 14, 2023**
- 10.5 Shelburne & District Fire Board Minutes: December 18, 2023**

**Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Hawkins**

THAT Council receives the committee minutes as copied and circulated.

**CARRIED.**

## **11.0 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

- 11.1 UGDSB Capacity Projections**
- 11.2 2023 Annual Grant Report**
- 11.3 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter By-law Enforcement Report**
- 11.4 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Planning Report**
- 11.5 Water Connection Indexing**
- 11.6 2024 Council Meeting Dates**
- 11.7 Shelburne & District Fire Board 2022 Annual Report**
- 11.8 NDCC Programming- Verbal Update**

Staff provided a verbal update on programming at the North Dufferin Community Centre. Discussion ensued on arena oversight, scheduling and booking.

**Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Cunningham**

THAT Council receives the information items as copied.

**CARRIED.**

## **12.0 ENDORSEABLE MOTIONS**

- 12.1 Township of Clearview: Cemetery Administration Management Support**
- 12.2 Town of Mono: Strong Mayor Powers**
- 12.3 City of Greater Sudbury: Occupation Health and Safety Act**
- 12.4 City of Stratford: CEBA Loans**
- 12.5 Town of Mono: Residential Tenancies Act**

- 12.6 Town of Mono: Ontario Works Financial Assistance
- 12.7 Town of Mono: Bottle & Hazardous Household Waste Recycling
- 12.8 Town of Aurora: Homelessness Crisis

**Moved by Lyon and Seconded by Clark**

THAT the following items be endorsed 12.1 to 12.8.

**CARRIED.**

**13.0 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

- 13.1 NDCC Renovation Strategy (February 2024)
- 13.2 NVCA MOU (February 2024)
- 13.3 Fireworks Survey Results (March 2024)
- 13.4 Arena Funding Formula and User Fees (Spring 2024)
- 13.5 Mono-Mulmur Townline Parking (Spring 2024)
- 13.6 Strategic Plan (Spring 2024)
- 13.7 Council Meeting Recordings Pilot Program Results (June 2024)
- 13.8 Recreational Trailers and Property By-law Infractions (2024)

**14.0 PASSING OF BY-LAWS**

- 14.1 Borrowing By-law
- 14.2 Appointing By-law - Clerk
- 14.3 Appointing By-law - CAO/Deputy Clerk
- 14.4 Confirmatory By-Law

**Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Lyon**

THAT By-Laws 14.1 to 14.4 be approved.

**CARRIED.**

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Lyon and Seconded by Hawkins**

THAT Council adjourns the meeting at 11:16 a.m. to meet again on February 7, 2024 or at the call of the Chair.

**CARRIED.**

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**