

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held an electronic meeting on the 6th day of October, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Darren White, Deputy Mayor Dave Besley, Councillor Margaret Mercer, Councillor James McLean and Councillor Bill Neilson were present. Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk and Sarah Culshaw, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk were also present. Mayor White presided and called the meeting to order.

Mayor White advised that the meeting was being recorded and would be posted to the Township's website under Council Agendas and Minutes.

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor White shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

Announcements

The CAO gave an announcement about the 2022 Voters' List.

Additions

None.

Deletions

None.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Neilson that Council approve the Agenda as presented. Carried.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Mayor White advised that disclosure of pecuniary interest can be declared at this time or anytime throughout the meeting by giving the general nature thereof and that declarations must be submitted to the Clerk in writing.

Minutes

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Besley that Council approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on September 15, 2022 as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege

None.

Public Question Period

1. Correspondence for Information Purposes

1. Copy of the letter that Mayor White sent to Mr. Tripp and Ms. Serbin in response to their email of questions submitted on May 26, 2022

2. Question(s) from the Public

1. Email from Mr. Tripp and Ms. Serbin in response to the letter from Mayor White

Discussion ensued on the question from Mr. Tripp and Ms. Serbin and no action was taken by Council and Council directed Staff to take no action with it.

There were no questions from the Public.

Public Works

Accounts

Craig Micks, Public Works Superintendent presented the road accounts in the amount of \$431,034.11. Moved by Neilson, Seconded by McLean that Council receive the Public Works accounts as presented by the Public Works Superintendent. Carried.

Road Counter Information for Main Street Horning's Mills Speed Comparison of Ped zones before and after installation

Discussion ensued regarding the data that was collected. Craig advised that the signs will be removed after October 31st.

Other

Nothing for this matter.

Unfinished Business

Report from Denise B. Holmes, CAO/Clerk, Recommendation from Roads Sub-Committee Onsite Meeting – September 8, 2022

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Besley that Council accept the recommendation from the Roads Sub-Committee and directs Staff to send a letter to the owner of 117103 2nd Line SW in regard to damaging the emergency gas shut off that Enbridge has placed in the Township Road allowance to the south of his entrance. Carried.

Planning

Applications to Permit

There were no comments or questions from Council regarding the applications.

Other

Nothing for this item.

Strategic Plan

Nothing for this item.

Climate Change Initiatives

Nothing for this item.

Police Services Board

Nothing for this item. It was advised that there is a PSB meeting on October 11th, 2022.

Committee/Board Reports & Recommendations

There were no Committee or Board reports or recommendations.

Correspondence

Board, Committee & Working Group Minutes

1. NDCC – July 7, 2022
2. Township of Melancthon Environmental Sustainability Committee – August 25, 2022
3. Township of Southgate Recreation Advisory Committee – September 15, 2022
4. Township of Melancthon Heritage Advisory Committee – May 11, 2022
5. Township of Melancthon Heritage Advisory Committee – June 1, 2022
6. GRCA Summary of General Membership September 23, 2022
7. NVCA September 2022 Board Meeting Highlights

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Neilson that the Board, Committee and Working Group minutes, Items 1-7, be received as information. Carried.

Items for Information Purposes

1. CDRC 2022 Budget
2. New Requirements under the Conservation Authorities Act
3. Dufferin County Council Resolution – Draven Alert
4. Dufferin County Council Resolution – Land Acknowledgements
5. Town of Shelburne Application for ZBA (Temporary use)
6. NEC Notice of Decision – Installation of Fiber Optic – Eh!Tel
7. Town of Orangeville Towing By-law
8. NVCA Media Release – Historic Fort Willow Conservation Area comes to life on October 1
9. Grand Valley Support Resolution
10. Grand River Conservation Authority Progress Report #2 – O. Reg 687/21
11. Grey Highlands Resolution regarding Increased Speeding Fines

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Besley that Correspondence Items 1-11 for information purposes, be received as information, except items 3 and 4 for further discussion. Carried.

Councillor Neilson spoke to item 3 and was glad to see support from the County for this motion.

Councillor McLean spoke to item 4 and inquired about the process for the review at County and the process for Melancthon's Land Acknowledgement Statement. The CAO spoke to Melancthon's process, and Mayor White spoke to the County process.

General Business

Accounts

Sarah Culshaw, Treasurer, presented the general accounts in the amount of \$1,054,576.37. Moved by Mercer, Seconded by McLean that Council receive the General Accounts as presented by the Treasurer. Carried.

Notice of Intent to Pass By-law

By-law to Authorize Canine Control Services

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Neilson that leave be given to introduce a By-law to authorize the signing of an Agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon and AgapiK9 Inc. and it be hereby read a first and second time and numbered 47-2022. Carried.

By-law to Appoint to December 31, 2022 the Horning's Mills Hall Board

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Mercer that leave be given to introduce a By-law to appoint a Municipal Service Board for the Horning's Mills Community Hall and it be hereby read a first and second time and numbered 48-2022. Carried.

New/Other Business/Additions

Nothing for this item.

Unfinished Business

Township Diversity Policy

This item was deferred.

Delegations

During the meeting, Council heard from the following Delegation:

5:45 p.m. – Warren Howard, Vice-President of Wind Concerns Ontario attended Council, (at the invitation of Council) and spoke to the letter that Jane Wilson, President of WCO sent to the Minister of Energy regarding the Proposed IESO Contract with TransAlta.

Closed Session

Rob Brown, Township Solicitor was in attendance for the McGill matter in Closed Session.

6:13 p.m. – Moved by Mercer, Seconded by McLean that Council move into a Closed Session Meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reason(s): Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunal, affecting the local board – Notice of Trial - McGill and Melancthon Township – Update from Township Solicitor and Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Property Standards Complaint - 477399 3rd Line. Carried.

Rise With or Without Report from Closed Session

6:41 p.m. - Moved by Mercer, Seconded by McLean that Council rise from Closed Session with Report. Carried. The Report being the directives given to Staff in the Closed Session meeting.

Third Reading of By-laws

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Mercer that By-laws 47-2022 and 48-2022 now be read a third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book. Carried.

Notice of Motion

None for this meeting.

Confirmation By-law

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Neilson that leave be given to introduce a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon at its Council meeting held on October 6, 2022 and it be given the required number of readings and numbered 49-2022. Carried.

Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting

Moved by Mercer, Seconded by Neilson that we adjourn Council at 6:43 p.m. to meet again on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK