

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held an electronic meeting on the 15th day of December, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Darren White, Deputy Mayor James McLean, Councillor Ralph Moore, Councillor Bill Neilson and Councillor Ruth Plowright 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

Additions

Councillor Neilson – iRadio Music Festival – Mulmur-Melancthon Townline – Update

Deletions

None.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Moore, Seconded by Neilson that Council approve the Agenda as amended. 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 McLean, Seconded by Moore that Council approve the minutes of the December 1, 2022 Council meeting as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege

None.

Public Question Period

No questions asked either written or verbally.

Public Works

Winter Operations Plan

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by Neilson that Council receive the Winter Operations Plan as presented. Carried.

Other

Nothing for this.

Planning

Applications to Permit

There were no questions or comments on the one application on the spreadsheet.

Watson & Associates – Letter to Our Clients Nov 29, 2022, Bill 23 Received Royal Assent

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Plowright that Council receive the correspondence from Watson & Associates regarding Bill 23, as information. Carried.

Other

Nothing for this.

Climate Change Initiatives

Nothing for this.

Police Services Board

Nothing for this.

County Council Update

Mayor White provided an update on the County Inaugural meeting held on December 8, 2022.

Correspondence

Board, Committee & Working Group Minutes

1. Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority – November 22, 2022

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Plowright that Council receive the NVCA November 22, 2022 Meeting Highlights as information. Carried.

Items for Information Purposes

1. Environmental Registry of Ontario - Environmental Assessment Requirements for Advanced Recycling Facilities under the Environmental Assessment Act (EAA)
2. RLB Chartered Professional Accountants – 2022 Audit Plan
3. City of Toronto – Update on Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022
4. Letter from Lisa M. Thompson – Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Moved by Moore, Seconded by McLean that Council receive Items for Correspondence 1-4, for information purposes, as information, except Item 4 pulled for further discussion. Carried.

4 – Discussion ensued on this grant funding and Staff will bring further information to the January 12th meeting on projects that are eligible.

Items for Council Action

1. Dufferin Municipal Provincial Offences Act Board Appointment Request

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Neilson that Council appoint Sarah Culshaw, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk to the Dufferin Municipal Provincial Offences Act Board for the term of Council. Carried.

2. Appointment of Alternate County Council Member

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by McLean that Council appoint Councillor Neilson as the Alternate County Council member, who will represent the Township of Melancthon, in the absence of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor at County/committee meetings, and further that this appointment be made for the term of Council. Carried.

General Business

Notice of Intent to Pass By-laws for the Horning's Mills Park Board, Horning's Mills Hall Board and Corbetton Park Board – these items were deferred to after Closed Session, in order for Council to review the applications received for these Boards.

Report from Denise Holmes CAO/Clerk – Horning's Mills Community Hall, Municipal Service Board

Discussion ensued on amending the current Municipal Service Board By-law to increase the number of members on the Board. As Council has received applications for the current complement on the Board (five public members), Council decided to take no action and maintain the current By-law, but the Hall Board may bring this matter back next year, should the need arise for more members on the Board.

New/Other Business/Additions

Addition – Councillor Neilson – iRadio Festivals Inc.

Councillor Neilson advised that he attended the Mulmur Council meeting on December 14th, 2022 and updated Council on the iRadio Music Festival proposed for the Canada Day long weekend and advised that Council will need to be involved in this as they will be using Township roads. Staff will send out the Presentation once it has been received from Mulmur Township.

Delegations

During the meeting, Council heard from the following Delegations:

9:30 a.m. – Chris Johnston, By-law Enforcement Officer and Gary Tomlinson – By-law Complaint Updates.

Moved by Moore, Seconded by Neilson that Council move into a Closed Session Meeting at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reason: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – By-law Complaint Updates.

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by Moore that Council rise from Closed Session at 10:08 a.m. with report. Carried. The report being the directives given to Staff in Closed Session.

10:00 a.m. – Kory Chisholm, MHBC Planning; Shakir Rehmatullah, FLATO Developments Inc.; Barbara Dobrean, Southgate Deputy Mayor; Dave Milliner, Southgate CAO, and Clinton Stredwick, Southgate Planner attended Council. Mr. Chisholm gave a presentation to Council on the proposed Municipal Boundary Realignment between Melancthon and Southgate Township, which was a follow up to the Delegation on July 14, 2022

10:30 a.m. – Kim Delahunt, President & CEO Headwaters Health Care Centre, Jennifer Hamilton, Director of Communications & Stakeholder Relations Headwater Health Care Centre and Tom Reid, Manager Dufferin County Paramedics attended Council. Ms.

Delahunt provided an update on Headwaters Health Care Centre's activities and needs and the Hospital Foundation's priority campaigns

11:06 a.m. – Moved by Plowright, Seconded by McLean that we adjourn Council and go into Committee of Adjustment and reconvene as Council. Carried.

11:20 a.m. – Council reconvened and took a 10-minute break.

11:31 a.m. - **New/Other Business/Additions – Continued.**

Melancthon Recreation Task Force Report

The Report from the Melancthon Recreation Task Force was reviewed and discussed. Staff were directed to bring the Report back to the January meeting, for further discussion on the recommendations contained in the Report. Staff were also directed to send a letter to David Thwaites and Emma Holmes thanking them for their hard work on producing a thorough and informative recreation report.

Report from Denise Holmes CAO/Clerk – North Dufferin Community Centre – Council Review of Melancthon's Participation

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding Melancthon's participation in the North Dufferin Community Centre during the review of the Melancthon Recreation Task Force Report due to one of the recommendations contained in the Report. Concerns were raised about the Agreement being out of date with respect to the change in the governance structure, the increasing costs of the Township's contribution for operations, as well as concerns regarding the Township's capital contribution.

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Moore that Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon entered into a Joint Recreation Agreement with the Township of Mulmur on November 4, 2021 regarding the North Dufferin Community Centre; And Whereas, after review and discussion regarding the Agreement at the Council meeting held on December 15, 2022, Council wishes to terminate its participation in the Agreement and will be providing its notice to terminate the Agreement as of December 31, 2023 to the Township of Mulmur; And Whereas, Council would like an opportunity to negotiate and create a new Agreement prior to December 31, 2023, with the Township of Mulmur in order to recognize the changed governmental structure and to investigate a new funding model, that will be beneficial to both Townships. Now therefore be it resolved that Staff be directed to provide the Township of Mulmur with this motion as its notice to terminate the North Dufferin Recreation Community Centre Agreement, effective December 31, 2023. Carried.

Report from Denise Holmes CAO/Clerk – Integrity Commissioner Services

The Report was reviewed and discussed. Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Moore that the Council of the Township of Melancthon accept the recommendation from Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk and appoint Guy Giorno, Fasken Martineau as the Township's Integrity Commissioner for the term of Council. Further, that Staff be directed to contact Mr. Giorno and have him prepare the required Agreement of Service to be brought back to the January 12th, 2023 meeting of Council for execution. Carried.

By-law to Establish a Municipal Service Board to Operate a Community Hall, known as the Horning's Mills Community Hall

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting and Council will stay with the status quo.

Notice of Motion from December 1st – Moved by Moore that Council look into updating Townhall in order to facilitate meetings via zoom and to obtain quotes in order to have in person meetings and still be able to attend virtually.

Moved by Moore, Seconded by Neilson that Council look into updating Townhall in order to facilitate meetings via zoom and to obtain quotes in order to have in person meetings and still be able to attend virtually. Carried. Staff will bring back some costings for setting up the Council Chambers for hybrid meetings in the new year.

Inter-Municipal Working Group for Dissolution of the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex and Shelburne and District Fire Boards of Management – Discussion/Appointment of one Council member

Discussion ensued on this matter and Council took no action to appoint a member to this Working Group at this time.

Unfinished Business

Diversity Policy

Council directed that this item be removed from future agendas, as Staff will continue to monitor the work being completed by County of Dufferin Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee on the County's Diversity Policies.

Closed Session

Moved by Moore, Seconded by Neilson that Council move into a Closed Session Meeting at 12:04 p.m. pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reason: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Citizen Appointments to various Boards and Committee. Carried.

Rise With or Without Report from Closed Session

Moved by Moore, Seconded by Neilson that Council rise at 12:30 p.m. with report. Carried.

Report:

Notice of Intent to Pass By-laws

By-law to Appoint a Board of Management for the Horning's Mills Community Park

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Plowright that leave be given to introduce a By-law to appoint a Board of Management for the Horning's Mills Community Park and it be hereby read a first and second time and numbered 56-2022. Carried. The Park Board members are: Deputy Mayor McLean, Councillor Neilson, Nanci Malek, Lynn Hodgson and Jim Hill.

By-law to Appoint a Board of Management for the Corbetton Community Park

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by Moore that leave be given to introduce a By-law to appoint a Board of Management for the Corbetton Community Park and it be hereby read a first and second time and numbered 57-2022. Carried. The Park Board members are: Mayor White, Jessica Plowright, Janice Eisenberg and Doug Read.

By-law to Appoint a Municipal Service Board for the Horning's Mills Community Hall

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by Neilson 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 58-2022. Carried. The Hall Board members are: Deputy Mayor McLean, Councillor Plowright, Shayna Pacheco (Horning's Mills Women's Institute Member), Utra Hebden, Beckie Connell, Jade Snell and Blaise Sanford-Meunier.

Township of Melancthon Police Services Board

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Neilson that Council appoint Al Blundell to the Township of Melancthon Police Services Board as the Public Member for the term of Council. Carried.

Township of Melancthon Heritage Advisory Committee

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Plowright that Council appoint the following people to the Township of Melancthon Heritage Advisory Committee for the term of Council: Deputy Mayor McLean, Councillor Moore, Tracy Webber and Todd McIntosh. Carried.

North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by Moore that Council appoint the following public representatives to the North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management until December 31, 2023: Darcy Timmins, Bryan Lemcke, Doug Read. Carried. At this time, Staff were directed to bring back an amending By-law (for the Municipal Officials By-law) for the next meeting, to appoint Councillor Plowright to the NDCC Board of Management as the Council representative.

Third Reading of By-laws

Moved by McLean, Seconded by Neilson that By-laws 56-2022, 57-2022 and 58-2022 now be read a third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book. Carried.

Notice of Motion

Councillor Moore brought forward his concerns regarding the number of accidents at the intersection of County Road 2 and 9, requested a flashing light at this intersection. Discussion ensued and rather than this being a notice of motion, Staff were directed to send a letter to County Council to start the process.

Confirmation By-law

Moved by Plowright, Seconded by Moore 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 December 15, 2022 and it be given the required number of readings and numbered 59-2022. Carried.

Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Plowright that Council adjourn this meeting at 12:48 p.m. to meet again on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK