

Corporation of the Township of Selwyn

**Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 28th, 2023**

Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line

A regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Selwyn was held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at the Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line.

Present: Mayor Sherry Senis
Deputy Mayor Ron Black
Councillor John Boyko
Councillor Mary Coulas
Councillor Brian Henry

Staff Present: Janice Lavalley, CAO
R. Lane Vance, Manager of Finance/Treasurer
Angela Chittick, Manager of Community & Corporate Services /Clerk
Mike Richardson, Manager of Recreation Services
Robert Kelly, Manager of Building and Planning
Michelle Thornton, Deputy Treasurer
Adam Tobin, Manager of Public Works
Lily Morrow, Sustainability Coordinator
Tania Goncalves, Deputy Clerk

The Council meeting commenced at 1:00 pm with Mayor Senis in the Chair.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Minutes

Resolution No. 2023 –047 – Minutes

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor Mary Coulas –
That the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on March 14th, 2023 be adopted.

Carried.

Deputations and/or Invited Persons and/or Public Meeting

Project Manager Jeff Cadence from Canadian Mental Health Association made a presentation to Council regarding the Road Ahead Mobile Wellness Clinic which provides access to mental health and addiction services to urban and rural and remote communities.

Resolution No. 2023 – 048 – The Road Ahead Mobile Wellness Clinic - CMHA

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Mary Coulas –
That the presentation from Project Manager Jeff Cadence from the Canadian Mental Health Association regarding the Road Ahead Mobile Wellness Clinic Unit be received for information.

Carried.

Guy Hanchet representing “For Our Grandchildren” made a presentation to Council pertaining to the Enbridge Gas pipeline proposal on the 8th Line of Smith and to provide information on alternatives to connecting to natural gas services.

Resolution No. 2023 – 049 – Guy Hanchet - For Our Grandchildren

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –
That the presentation from Guy Hanchet representing “For Our Grandchildren” pertaining to the Enbridge Gas pipeline proposal on the 8th Line of Smith be received for information.

Carried.

Question Period

Council entertained questions from the public from 1:37 pm to 1:38 pm.

Municipal Officers & Staff Reports – Direction

Resolution No. 2023 – 050 – Woodland Acres Budget 2023

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Mary Coulas –

That the report regarding the Woodland Acres Budget 2023 be received for information; and

That the Budget Compliance Report for expenses excluded from the 2023 Woodland Acres budget as outlined in and as a requirement of Ontario Regulation 284/09 be adopted; and

That the 2023 budget for Department # 32 Woodland Acres - Water and Sewer be approved as presented; and

That the respective 2023 flat rate water and sewer charges for the Woodland Acres Water and Sewer Area be included in the 2023 tax rate By-law.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 051 – Task Team/ Working Group Protocol

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Mary Coulas –

That the report from the Manager of Community and Corporate Services/Clerk regarding a task team/working group protocol be received for information; and

That the Township adopt the task team/working group protocol as noted in the staff report and that the Township's Procedure By-law be amended to include the same.

Carried.

Consent Items

Resolution No. 2023 – 052 – Municipal Officer's and Staff Reports – Information/Housekeeping/Non-Controversial

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Mary Coulas –

That the report of the Manager of Recreation Services regarding the Lakefield Campground Docking System Tender be received for information; and that the tender from Interco Fabrications, in the amount of \$122,204.00 (HST excluded), be approved; and

That the report of the Manager of Recreation Services regarding the tender for the painting services for the Multi-sport Courts in Ennismore and Lakefield be received for information; and that neither of the tenders received for this project be accepted; and

That the report of the Manager of Community & Corporate Services/Clerk regarding various By-laws be received for information; and that By-law 2023 - 021, being a By-law to authorize the Clerk to execute an Environmental Mitigation Measures Impact agreement between the Township of Selwyn and John Royal Wood Nicholson, Matthew Woodroe Carl Nicholson and Diane Nicholson related to property located at Pt. Lot 28, Conc 12, Smith Ward; and that By-law 2023-022, being a By-law to authorize the Treasurer to execute a funding agreement related to the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Program be brought forward to the By-law section of the agenda for consideration; and

Correspondence for Information

That the following items of correspondence be received for information:

1. AMO Policy Update – Housing and Homelessness
2. Peterborough Public Health – Board of Health Meeting Summary

3. Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin - English School Board Association
4. Howick Township – School Board Election
5. Town of Carleton Place – Violence and Violence Against Women an Epidemic
6. Town of Petrolia – A Call to the Provincial Government to End Homelessness in Ontario
7. Town of Petrolia – Future Accuracy of the Permanent Register of Electors
8. City of Cambridge – Barriers for Women in Politics
9. City of Niagara Falls – Barriers for Women in Politics; and

County Correspondence for Information:

That the following items of correspondence from the County of Peterborough be received for information:

1. 2022 Council Remuneration
 - Attachment - Appendix A - Council Remuneration
2. Causeway Tender Project
3. Community Safety & Wellbeing Plan Implementation Update
4. Minutes Regular Meeting of March 1, 2023.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 053 – Climate Lens Tool

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That a staff report be brought back to Council that explores the potential of implementing a Climate Lens Tool to provide a qualitative understanding of the possible climate impacts of municipal decisions.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 054 – Various Items

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the report of the Deputy Treasurer/I.T. Coordinator with respect to the Statement of Remuneration for the year 2022 for the Township of Selwyn Council members be received for information; and

That the report of the Manager of Public Works regarding the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Drinking Water System Inspection report for the Lakefield Drinking Water System be received for information; and

Whereas local resident Guy Hanchet has sent correspondence to Council requesting that the Township commit to inform Selwyn residents of the alternatives to connecting to natural gas services and to inform residents of the alternatives made possible by advances in air source heat pumps; and

Whereas the Township through its Climate Change Action Plan, promotes sustainable alternatives in a variety of ways, some as noted below:

- Township website - climate action at home tab on the Green Initiatives page, which provides education and resources for how residents can retrofit their homes to improve energy efficiency
- GreenUP website – Township promotes in e-newsletters, which provides information on available funding programs for energy retrofits and how to book an energy audit
- Home Energy Efficiency Checklist - shared in Township e-newsletter, which included low-cost actions that homeowners could take to improve energy efficiency and reduce emissions
- Promotion of webinars from agencies including ICLEI that provide information about a variety of sustainable adaptation programs; and

Whereas the County of Peterborough Climate Action Committee has discussed the development of a marketing strategy to raise awareness about the available resources and supports offered by GreenUP programs including energy retrofits/audits; and

Whereas the 2023 Community & Corporate Services Department work plan includes the provision to source grant funding, such as the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Fund, for the preparation of a feasibility study to explore a sustainable development program to incentivize energy efficiency in residential homes such as a home energy loan program; and

Whereas the goal is to develop an incentive program that would examine HVAC system alternatives including ground and air source heat pumps, lighting, EV readiness, building envelope upgrades etc....as well as possible grants, loans and incentives that could assist a homeowner to implement energy efficient options, including promoting existing financial supports for heat pump technology;

Now therefore that this information be provided to Mr. Hanchet to demonstrate the Township's efforts related to energy alternatives and initiatives.

Carried.

Petitions

None.

Other, New & Unfinished Business

Resolution No. 2023 – 055 – Special Meeting – Orientation Planning

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor John Boyko –

That a special meeting of Council be scheduled for April 20, 2023 at 9:00 am to conduct Council Orientation - Insurance/Risk Management/Legal Considerations.

Carried.

By-laws

Resolution No. 2023 –056 – By-laws First, & Third Reading

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –

That By-law 2023-021, being a By-law to authorize the execution of an Environmental Mitigation Measures Agreement pertaining to Pt. Lot 28, Conc. 12 - Nicholson; and

That By-law 2023-022, being a By-law to authorize the execution of a funding agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Selwyn and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Solicitor General with regard to the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation (CSPT) Program be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 057 – Closed Session

Councillor John Boyko – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 239 (2)(b) and (e) in order that Council may discuss:

- a) Matter regarding identifiable individuals - Section 239. (2) (b) –Council Board and Committee Appointments
- b) Litigation matters – ongoing matter – Section 239. (2) (e)
- c) Closed Session Minutes – December 13, 2022 and January 17, 2023 (2:15 pm).

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 058 – Rise Closed Session

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That Council now rise from closed session (2:50 pm).

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 059– Confirming By-law

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Mary Coulas –

That By-law 2023-023, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular meeting of Council held on March 28, 2023 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 2023 – 060 – Adjournment

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –
That the meeting be adjourned. (2:50 pm)

Carried.