

Corporation of the Township of Selwyn

**Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 14th, 2023**

Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line

A regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Selwyn was held on Tuesday, November 14th, 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
Angela Chittick, Manager of Community & Corporate Services /Clerk
R. Lane Vance, Manager of Financial Services
Robert Kelly, Manager of Building and Planning
Adam Tobin, Manager of Public Works
Per Lundberg, Planner (left at 1:30 pm)
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 – 231 – Minutes

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the minutes of the special joint Council meeting held on October 20, 2023 and the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on October 24, 2023 be adopted.

Carried.

Deputations and/or Invited Persons and/or Public Meeting

Paul Ernsting from Peterborough Utilities made a presentation to Council pertaining to the proposed Lily Lake Battery Energy Storage Project.

Resolution No. 2023 – 232 – Peterborough Utilities – Lily Lake Battery Energy Storage Project

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the presentation from Paul Ernsting from Peterborough Utilities pertaining to the proposed Lily Lake Battery Energy Storage Project be received for information.

Carried.

Patrick Godfrey from Northland Power made a presentation to Council pertaining to the proposed Dobbin Energy Storage Project.

Resolution No. 2023 – 233 – Dobbin Energy Storage

Deputy Mayor Ron Black –Councillor John Boyko –

That the presentation from Patrick Godfrey from Northland Power pertaining to the proposed Dobbin Energy Storage Project be received for information.

Carried.

Council recessed from 1:42 pm to 1:52 pm in order that technical issues related to live streaming could be reviewed.

Question Period

None.

Municipal Officers & Staff Reports – Direction

Resolution No. 2023 – 234 – Blue Box Depot Operation Agreement – Circular Materials Ontario

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor Mary Coulas –

That the report of the Chief Administrative Officer with respect to the Blue Box Depot Operation Agreement with Circular Materials Ontario be received for information; and

That By-law 2023-077, a By-law to authorize the execution of the Blue Box Depot Operation Agreement between the Township and Circular Materials Ontario; be brought forth for passage under the By-law section of the agenda.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 235 – Pedestrian Infrastructure Considerations

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the report related to pedestrian infrastructure which outlines the considerations that resulted in a sidewalk not being added on Water Street between King and Reid as well as how the Township’s standard road profiles in urban and rural areas incorporates pedestrian infrastructure within Plans of Subdivision (new development) be received for information.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 236 – Water Street Sidewalk at Reid and King Street

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Mary Coulas –

Whereas one of the strategies to meet the Township’s climate goals is to build an active transportation network and that includes a commitment to develop consistent sidewalk requirements and guidelines; and

Whereas one of the values that anchors Selwyn’s Strategic Plan states that we should “foster a healthy engaged and connected community”; and

Whereas according to the City of Toronto Sidewalk Programs, Policies, and By-laws, “sidewalks help remove barriers to access for vulnerable populations including children, seniors, and persons with disabilities”; and

Whereas Council should strive to do all it can to enhance the health and safety of our residents and that must include pedestrian safety;

Be it resolved that Council ask staff to engage the appropriate professionals to provide a plan and estimated cost to complete the sidewalk on Water Street between Reid and King Streets.

Councillor Brian Henry – no
Mayor Sherry Senis – no
Deputy Mayor Ron Black – no
Councillor John Boyko – yes
Councillor Mary Coulas – yes

Lost.

Resolution No. 2023 – 237 – Pedestrian Infrastructure Considerations

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That provisions be included in the next Recreation Services Plan review to give consideration to the future use of the Lakefield Trail on the west side of Water Street as a year-round walkable pedestrian option.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 238 – PPH Divestment of Ontario Building Code Part 8 (Sewage Systems) Authority

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the report of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Manager of Building & Planning with respect to the Peterborough Public Health Divestment of Ontario Building Code Part 8 (Sewage Systems) Authority be received for information; and

That Peterborough Public Health be advised that the Township of Selwyn will proceed with the transition date of April 1, 2024 for the Township to assume responsibility for new sewage system applications.

Carried.

Consent Items

Resolution No. 2023 – 239 – Municipal Officer’s and Staff Reports – Information/Housekeeping/Non-Controversial

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Mary Coulas –

That the report of the Deputy Clerk regarding various By-laws be received for information; and that By-law 2023-078, being a By-law to authorize the execution of two (2) merger agreements and associated documents between the Corporation of the Township of Selwyn, James Thomas Young, Katrina Marie Young, Joseph Michael Young and Sarah Elizabeth Young and 1000532662 Ontario Inc. for lands legally described as Part Lot 8, Concession 4, former Township of Ennismore designated as Part 1 Plan 45R17487 and being part of PIN 28444-0220 LT as well as for lands described as Part Lot 8, Concession 4, former Township of Ennismore designated as Part 2 Plan 45R17487 and being part of PIN 28444-0220 LT; and

That By-law 2023-079, being a By-law to authorize the execution of a merger agreement and associated documents between the Corporation of the Township of Selwyn, Mary and Richard Peacock and Edward and Jodie Young for lands legally described as Part of the South ½ of Lot 6, Concession 4, former Township of Ennismore being Part 1 on Plan 45R17482; and

That By-law 2023-080, being a By-law to amend Schedule “D” of By-law 88-38, the Lakefield Traffic By-law to create 3 way stops at Water Street and King Street as well as at Water Street and Burnham Street in the former Village of Lakefield be forwarded to the By-laws section of the agenda for consideration; and

That the report regarding the disposal of a portion of Township property known as 108 Bridge Street in the Lakefield Ward be received for information; and that By-law 2023-081 be brought forward to the By-laws section of the agenda to authorize the transfer of Township-owned property located at 108 Bridge Street, described as Part 2 on Reference Plan 45R-17497, Lakefield Ward to Glen Bugg and that the Clerk be given the authority to execute any necessary documents to give effect to the sale; and

Correspondence for Direction

1. Sidewalk Water Street, Lakefield Ward

That the correspondence from Mary Smith and Norm Sultmanis related to the consideration of a sidewalk on Water Street between King and Reid Streets be received for information; and that information be provided to Mrs. Smith and Mr. Sultmanis outlining the rationale for not adding a sidewalk between on Water Street between King and Reid Streets as outlined in the November 14, 2023 staff report; and

Correspondence for Information

That the following items of correspondence be received for information:

2. Ministry of Energy – Province Powering Growth in Northeast and Eastern Ontario
3. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Ontario Winding Back Changes to Official Plan
4. Ministry of Finance – Ontario Continues to Support Municipalities through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund
5. Ministry of finance – Ontario Helping to Build more Rental Housing
6. Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery – Ontario Strengthening Protections for Consumers
7. Ontario Treasury Board Secretariat – Ontario Strengthens Emergency Preparedness to Keep People and Communities Safe
8. Premier’s Office – Ontario Extending Gas and Fuel Tax Cuts
9. AMO - Policy Update – Strengthening Public Health Through Voluntary Mergers
10. Association of Municipalities – Unwinding Changes to Official Plan
11. Association of Municipalities – Policy Update – 2023 Fall Economic Statement
12. Ontario Energy Board – Notice of Rate Hearing
13. Dobbin Public Notice – Energy Storage Project
14. Enbridge Gas Inc. – 2024 Federal Carbon Pricing Program Application
15. Town of Parry Sound – Request change to Highway Traffic Act to allow Automated Enforcements Systems on all Roadways
16. Waterloo MPP – Letter Till Death Do Us Part Act
17. City of Cambridge – Support for Bill 21
18. Township of Terrace Bay – Opposition to Strong Mayor Powers
19. Municipality of Wawa – Short Term Rental
20. Township of East Hawkesbury – Support Bill 21
21. Township of Machar – Short-Term Rentals
22. Town of Wasaga Beach – Illegal Car Rally
23. Town of Goderich – Resolution Support - Illegal Car Rally
24. Town of Aurora – Cannabis Retail Applications
25. Town of Huntsville – Floating Accommodations; and

County Correspondence for Direction:

None.

County Correspondence for Information:

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

1. Official Plan Amendment No. 71- Part Lot 26 & 27, Concession 7, Lakefield Ward, Township of Selwyn
 - Appendix A – Technical Report
 - Appendix B – Official Plan Amendment No. 71
 - Appendix C – Township of Selwyn Council Resolution
2. Official Plan Amendment No. 55 – Hubble
 - Appendix A – Technical Report
 - Appendix B – Official Plan Amendment No. 55
 - Appendix C – Township of Selwyn Supporting Resolution
3. PKED 2023 Q3 Strategic Plan Activities Report
4. Minutes – October 18, 2023; and

Committee Reports

That the minutes of the Selwyn Public Library Board regular meeting of September 25, 2023; and

The minutes of the Smith Ennismore Board regular meeting held on October 23, 2023 be received for information.

Carried.

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor Mary Coulas –
That the report related to the Ennismore Community Improvement Plan tender be received for information; and that staff review the scope of work for the Ennismore Community Improvement Plan project to identify possible scenarios to achieve cost savings for future tendering purposes and further the draft 2024 capital budget include consideration for additional engineering costs to prepare updated designs, update construction estimates and manage the tendering process with the goal to construct in 2025; and

That the correspondence and presentation from Janette Loveys Smith, Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer of the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority (ORCA), related to their 2024 budget request be received for information; and that the Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer incorporate the requested funds as part of the ORCA levy in the 2024 budget.

Carried.

Petitions

None.

Other, New & Unfinished Business

Resolution No. 2023 – 241 – ROMA Delegation Request

Councillor John Boyko – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the Township of Selwyn request the following delegations at the 2024 ROMA Conference:

1. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Short-term Rental Legislation
2. Ministry of Transportation – Funding extension – The Link
3. Ministry of Tourism Culture and Sport – Increase in base Library Services Operating Grant

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 242 – Special Meeting – Agenda Amendment

Councillor Mary Coulas – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the agenda for the Special Capital Budget Council meeting on November 23, 2023 be amended to include a report related to the replacement of the Smith Landfill Compactor.

Carried.

By-laws

Resolution No. 2023 – 243 – By-laws First, & Third Reading

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That By-law 2023-077, being a By-law to authorize the execution of the Blue Box Depot Operation Agreement between the Township of Selwyn and Circular Materials Ontario; and

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That By-law 2023-081, being a By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Selwyn and Glen Bugg with regard to the transfer of land described as Part 2 on Reference Plan 45R-17497, Lakefield Ward, in the Township of Selwyn be forwarded to the By-laws section of the agenda for consideration.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 244 – Closed Session

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor John Boyko –

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

- i) Litigation or potential litigation matter affecting the municipality - Section 239. (2) (e) – 3rd Quarter Insurance Update – Confidential Report
- ii) Closed Session Minutes – October 24, 2023 (3:28 pm).

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 –245 – Rise Session

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –

That Council now rise from closed session (3:40 p.m.).

Carried.

Resolution No. 2023 – 246 – Confirming By-law

Councillor Mary Coulas – Councillor John Boyko –

That By-law 2023-082, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular Council meeting held on the 14th day of November 2023, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 2023 – 247 – Adjournment

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the meeting be adjourned. (3:40 pm)

Carried.