

Corporation of the Township of Selwyn

**Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 12th, 2024**

Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line

A regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Selwyn was held on Tuesday, November 12th, 2024 at the Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line.

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

Regrets: Councillor Mary Coulas

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
Per Lundberg, Planner
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. 2024 – 186 – Minutes

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on October 22, 2024 be adopted.

Carried.

Deputations and/or Invited Persons and/or Public Meeting

Planning Consultant Diana Keay from DM Wills provided Council with an update on her client's zoning By-law amendment application for lands legally described as Part Lots 43 and 44, Concession 16 (Smith Ward) and known as Lovesick Lake Trailer Park. Applicants Steve Purves and Scott Purves were also in attendance to answer any questions.

Question Period

None.

Municipal Officers & Staff Reports – Direction

Resolution No. 2024 – 187 – Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment – Part Lots 43 and 44, Concession 16 (Smith Ward)

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the second report of the Planner regarding Official Plan Amendment (County File No. 15OP-22011) and Zoning By-law Amendment (Township File No. C-14-20) related to lands described as being Part Lots 43 and 44, Concession 16 in the Smith Ward, known as the Lovesick Lake Planning application be received for information; and

That the County of Peterborough be advised that the Township of Selwyn supports the Official Plan Amendment to permit the proposed trailer park expansion as per County File No. 15OP-22011; and further

That By-law 2024-064 being a By-law to re-zone certain lands situated in Part of Lot 43 and 44, Concession 16 in the Smith Ward from Rural (RU) Zone and Recreational Commercial (RC) Zone to Recreational Commercial exception 609 holding (RC-609-h) be brought forward to the By-law section of the agenda for consideration.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2024 – 188 – 2025 Town Hall Meeting

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –
 That the 2025 Town Hall be scheduled for June 7th, 2025 at 10:00 AM at the Municipal Office - Council Chambers (Smith Ward).

Carried

Resolution No. 2024 – 189 – Council Schedule 2025 and 2026 Budget Schedule

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –
 That the report of the Deputy Clerk with respect to the Council meeting schedule for 2025 and 2026 Budget schedule be received for information; and

That a Special Joint Council meeting with Curve Lake First Nation, North Kawartha and Trent Lakes be scheduled for September 25, 2025 at 9:00 AM at Curve Lake First Nation; and

That the following dates be scheduled in 2025 to establish regular Council meetings and the 2026 Budget Schedule:

2025 Regular Council Meeting Schedule		
One meeting in January	January 14	ROMA – January 19-21, 2025
February 11	February 25	
March 11	March 25	
April 8	April 22	
May 13	May 27	
June 10	June 24	June 8 -11, 2025 AMCTO (Staff) Conference
One meeting in July and August	July 15	
	August 12	AMO Conference – August 17-20, 2025
September 9	September 23	Ontario East Conference – September 17-19, 2025
October 14	October 28	
November 11	November 25	
One regular meeting in December	December 9	
One regular meeting in January	January 13, 2026	Regular Meeting and Committee of Adjustment

Budget Schedule (2026 Budget)		
November 20, 2025	1:00 PM	Draft 2026 Capital Budget
December 11, 2025	1:00 PM	Major 2026 Budget Impacts and Preliminary Work Plans 2026
February 5, 2026	1:00 PM	Draft 2026 Budget (Operations)
February 10, 2026	(part of regular meeting)	Final adoption of the 2026 Taxation Budget

Carried.

Consent Items

Resolution No. 2023 – 190 – Municipal Officer’s and Staff Reports – Information/Housekeeping/Non-Controversial

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black -

That the report from the HR Coordinator regarding a staffing update for the new Water & Wastewater Operator position be received for information; and

Correspondence for Direction

1. Township of North Kawartha – Highway 28 Mayors Coalition – Safety Concerns
 That the correspondence from Mayor Carolyn Amyotte of North Kawartha on behalf of the Highway 28 Mayors Coalition be received for information; and that correspondence be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation advising that the Township of Selwyn supports the Highway 28 Mayors Coalition and advocates for greater safety on Highway 28 and requests that a comprehensive safety review be conducted; and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to MPP Smith and all municipalities that form the Highway 28 Mayors Coalition; and
2. Town of Aurora – Mayor Tom Mrakas
 That the correspondence from Mayor Tom Mrakas of the Town of Aurora pertaining to the redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST be received for information; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for its residents; and

That the Township of Selwyn forward correspondence to the federal government to consider allocating a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

That the Township of Selwyn forward correspondence to the provincial government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax to municipalities; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Michelle Ferreri, MPP Dave Smith, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and

Correspondence for Information

That the following items of correspondence be received for information:

3. Premier’s Office – Ontario Expanding Learn and Stay Grant to Train More Family Doctors in Ontario

4. Ministry of Transportation – Ontario Tackling Gridlock to Save Drivers Time
5. Ministry of Finance – Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund
6. Ministry of Finance – Ontario’s 2024 Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review: Building Ontario for You
7. Ministry of Health – Province Appoints Dr. Jane Philpott as Chair of New Primary Care Action Team
8. Ministry of Energy and Electrification – Ontario Reducing Costs for Future Homeowners
9. Ministry of Energy and Electrification – Ontario Ready to Meet the Challenge of Soaring Energy Demand
10. Ministry of Energy and Electrification – Ontario Tackles Energy Demands by Introducing Affordable Energy Act
11. Municipal Employer Pension Centre Ontario - 2023 Annual Report
12. AMO – Advocacy on Transportation, Energy and Housing Policy
13. AMO – Fall Economic Statement
14. Ontario Energy Board – Enbridge Gas Inc. has Applied to Increase its Natural Gas Distribution Rates
15. Municipality of Brockton – Proposal to Livestream Hockey Games at the Walkerton Community Centre
16. Township of Georgian Bluffs – Western Ontario Wardens’ Cause – Rural Municipal Leaders Support ‘Solve the Crisis’ Campaign to Address Homelessness and Mental Health
17. Township of Georgian Bluffs – Sustainable Funding for Small Rural Municipalities – OPP Funding; and

County Correspondence for Information

1. Waste Management Master Plan Update – Waste Audit Results
- Attachment - Waste Audit Report – October 4, 2024
2. Economic Development Transition Committee Update
3. Draft Budget Book – 2025
4. Minutes – October 16, 2024; and

Committee Reports

That the minutes of the Selwyn Library Board Meeting of May 27, 2024, June 24, 2024 and September 23, 2024; and

That the minutes of the Peterborough OPP Detachment Board meeting of September 30, 2024; and

That the minutes of the Peterborough Police Services Board meeting of October 8, 2024, the 2024 Q3 Financial Report and the 2025 Schedule of Police Service Board Meetings be received for information.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2024 – 191 – Otonabee Conservation - 2025 Operating & Capital Budget Letter and Presentation

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor John Boyko –

That the correspondence from Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer Janette Loveys Smith of the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority (ORCA) related to their 2025 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 2025 Budget.

Carried.

Petitions

None.

Other, New & Unfinished Business

Resolution No. 2024 – 191 – ROMA Delegation Request – Mental Health and Homelessness

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor John Boyko –

That the Township of Selwyn request a delegation at the 2025 ROMA Conference with the Ministry of Health to discuss the homelessness, mental health and addictions crisis in Ontario and the need for additional provincial support.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2024 – 192 – ROMA Delegation Request – Detachment Board Model

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the Township of Selwyn request a delegation at the 2025 ROMA Conference with the Ministry of the Solicitor General to discuss the challenges of the new detachment board model.

Carried.

A public meeting commenced at 1:30 PM. Township Planner, Per Lundberg announced that the Township of Selwyn is holding a public meeting to consider an application to amend the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the Township of Selwyn, in accordance with Section 34 of The Planning Act. The prescribed notice of public meeting was provided via prepaid first class mail to all residents within a 120 metre radius of the properties subject to the application, as well as by a sign posted on the subject lands. The notice was also available on the Township website. The notice circulation complies with the requirements of the Planning Act. If a person or public body would otherwise have the ability to appeal the decision of Council of the Township of Selwyn but does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Selwyn in respect of the zoning By-law amendment before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the zoning By-law amendment, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council of the Township of Selwyn in respect of the proposed zoning By-law amendment before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the zoning By-law amendment, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so. Those wishing to be notified of the decision of Council of the Township of Selwyn in respect of the proposed zoning By-law amendment, must make a written request to the Township of Selwyn providing their name and address or email address.

A public meeting commenced at 1:30 PM to consider an application to amend the Township's Comprehensive Zoning By-law in accordance with Section 34 of The Planning Act. The zoning By-law amendment pertains to certain lands situated in Part of Lot 16 and 17, Concession 8 in the Lakefield Ward (83 Rabbit Street) and seeks to re-zone the subject lands from Residential Type One (R1) Zone to Residential Type One Exception 614 (R1-614) Zone and Residential Type One Exception 615 (R1-615) Zone and Environmental Protection (EP) Zone. Mr. Lundberg advised that the zoning amendment is a condition of a consent application (County File No. B-50-24) that has been granted provisional approval. The re-zoning will address a deficient lot area and frontage for the severed and retained parcels with regard to the (R1) Zone regulations. In addition, the zoning amendment will address non-compliance of the existing dwelling with the (R1) Zone regulations on the retained parcel and provide site specific zoning regulations for the proposed building envelope on the severed parcel. Mr. Lundberg also noted that comments from the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority requested that a small section of the property be recognized in the Environmental Protection Zone. Comments of no concern were received from Bell Canada, Enbridge Gas and County Public Works. No one spoke in favour or in opposition to this application. There were six (6) members of the public in attendance in person and no one in attendance virtually. The meeting concluded at 1:34 PM.

Resolution No. 2024 –187 – Zoning By-law Amendment – 83 Rabbit Street, Part Lot 16 & 17, Concession 8 (Lakefield)

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the report of the Planner regarding the Zoning By-law Amendment related to lands described as being Part of Lots 16 & 17, Concession 8 in the Lakefield Ward having the municipal address of 83 Rabbit Street be received for information; and

That By-law 2024-063 being a By-law to re-zone certain lands situated in Part of Lots 16 & 17, Concession 8 in the Lakefield Ward (83 Rabbit Street) from Residential Type 1 (R1) Zone to Residential Type One Exception 614 (R1-614) Zone and Residential Type One Exception 615 (R1-615) Zone and Environmental Protection (EP) Zone be brought forward to the By-law section of the agenda for consideration.

Carried.

By-laws

Resolution No. 2024 – 192 – By-laws First, & Third Reading

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor Brian Henry –

That By-law 2024-063, being a Zoning By-law Amendment for 83 Rabbit Street, Part Lot 16 & 17, Concession 8 (Lakefield); and

That By-law 2024-064, being a Zoning By-law Amendment for Part Lots 43 and 44, Concession 16 (Smith Ward) (Lovesick Lake Trailer Park) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2024 – 193 – Confirming By-law

Deputy Mayor Ron Black – Councillor John Boyko –

That By-law 2024-065, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular Council meeting held on the 12th day of November 2024, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 2024 – 194 – Adjournment

Councillor Brian Henry – Deputy Mayor Ron Black –

That the meeting be adjourned. (1:34 PM)

Carried.