

The Corporation of the Township of Malahide
September 5, 2024 – 7:00p.m.
Virtual Meeting - <https://youtu.be/dco81cQPn4w>

The Malahide Township Council met at the Springfield & Area Community Services Building, at 51221 Ron McNeil Line, Springfield, at 7:00p.m. The following were present:

Council: Mayor D. Giguère, Deputy Mayor M. Widner, Councillor S. Leitch, Councillor J. Wilson, Councillor S. Lewis, Councillor R. Cerna, and Councillor C. Glinski.

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer N. Dias, Clerk A. Adams, Director of Corporate Services A. Boylan, and Director of Public Works J. Godby.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Giguère took the Chair and called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

No. 24-292

Moved By: Mark Widner

Seconded By: John H. Wilson

THAT the September 5, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Agenda be approved as presented with the following additions/deletions:

- Addition to Section J – New Business Item – Traffic Concern
- Deletion to Section F – Court of Revision – Laidlaw Drain

Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST and the General Nature thereof:

No items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

No. 24-293

Moved By: Sarah Leitch

Seconded By: Scott Lewis

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on August 15, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

PUBLIC MEETINGS & COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT:

- Zoning By-law Amendment Application – D14-Z09-24 (General Housekeeping Amendment)

No. 24-294

Moved By: John H. Wilson

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT the Public Meeting relating to the Zoning By-Law Amendment -General Housekeeping Amendment relating to the lands within the Township of Malahide be called to order at 7:06p.m.

Carried

Mayor Giguère advised that the purpose of this Public Meeting is to consider an application to amend the zoning of the subject property.

Mayor Giguère asked the Clerk to advise and confirm on the method and date of notice given for this meeting. The Clerk advised that this public meeting was advertised in the Aylmer Express for two consecutive weeks. In addition, affected property owners within 120 meters were sent a notice by mail at minimum 20 days prior to this meeting.

Mayor Giguère requested that Jay McGuffin of Monteith Brown provide an overview of the application.

Mayor Giguère asked Clerk Adams if any additional written comments had been received and she indicated no additional written comments had been received.

Mayor Giguère asked if anyone in attendance had any questions and they did not.

Mayor Giguère asked if any Council Members had any comments. Councillor Leitch inquired if the Draft By-law had been corrected to reflect the correct daycare classifications. Mr. McGuffin stated that there was a typographic error in the draft by-law, which has since been corrected.

No. 24-295

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Scott Lewis

THAT the Public Meeting relating to the Zoning By-Law Amendment -General Housekeeping Amendment relating to the lands within the Township of Malahide be adjourned at 7:13p.m.

Carried

No. 24-296**Moved By: Sarah Leitch****Seconded By: Mark Widner**

THAT Report No. DS-24-23 entitled "Zoning By-law Application D14-Z09-24 – General Housekeeping Amendment" relating to lands within the Township of Malahide be received;

AND THAT the Zoning By-law Amendment Application No. D14-Z09-24 BE APPROVED for the reasons set out in this Report.

Carried**DELEGATIONS:**

No items.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS (CONSENT AGENDA):**No. 24-297****Moved By: John H. Wilson****Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT all items listed under Approval of Business from the August 15, 2024 Council Agenda, with the exception of those items identified for separate discussion, be approved and the recommendations listed a-h therein be adopted:

- a. THAT Report No. PW- 24-23 entitled "Drain Update Report" be received.
- b. THAT Report No. FIN-24-20 entitled "2023 Budget Performance and Financial Update" be received;

AND THAT the Township's 2023 budget surplus be distributed to reserves as recommended.
- c. THAT Report No. FIN-24-21 entitled "Development Charges Annual Update" be received.
- d. THAT Report No. FIN-24-22 entitled "Cash in Lieu of Parkland" be received.
- e. THAT Report No. FIN-24-23 entitled "Building Stabilization Reserve Fund" be received.
- f. THAT Report No. HR-24-06 entitled "Health & Safety Policy under Occupational Health & Safety Act – Annual Compliance Update" be received;

AND THAT the Mayor and Chief Administrative Office be authorized to sign the Health & Safety Policy on behalf of the Corporation;

AND THAT the revised Human Resources Policy B-4.2 Respect in the Workplace (Violence and Harassment) be received for information;

AND THAT the policies be approved.

- g. THAT the Customer Service-Related Policies” be received for information;

AND THAT the policies be approved.

- h. THAT Correspondence item 0.2 be supported

AND the following letter of support to AMO and the Ontario Medical Association be issued:

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years; and (Northern Ontario only)

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, and paramedicine.

WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Malahide urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the Township of Malahide and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No items.

NEW BUSINESS:

- DS-24-40 Severance Application – McCue/Sharp/Harris-47254 Mapleton Line

No. 24-298**Moved By: Mark Widner****Seconded By: Scott Lewis**

THAT Report No. DS-24-40 entitled “Application for Consent to Sever No. D10-E68-24 of Galen McCue, Melissa Sharp and Walter Harris” be received;

AND THAT the Application for Consent to Sever No. D10-E68-24 of Galen McCue, Melissa Sharp and Walter Harris relating to a property located at CON 11 W PT LOT 21 RP;11R4045 PART 1 & RP 11R3776; PART 3, Township of Malahide (47254 Mapleton Line), be Approved; notwithstanding the recommendations for denial outlined in this Report.

AND THAT this report and the recommended conditions with the deletion of the original item number 2 with a revised item number 2 to include additional grading plan requirements be forwarded to the Land Division Committee for its review and consideration.

Carried

- Addition to Section J – New Business Item – Traffic Concern

Deputy Mayor Widner has received multiple complaints about speeding and increasing traffic in Kingsmill Corner. He is wondering what measures could be implemented to address these issues. Director Godby pointed out that, in addition to reaching out to the County and OPP for increased enforcement, staff could also get in touch with the City of St. Thomas to explore the possibility of rerouting vehicles.

No. 24-299**Moved By: Mark Widner****Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT Township of Malahide Council request Township staff to contact Elgin County staff to consider additional enforcement;

AND THAT Township of Malahide Council request Township staff to contact the city of St. Thomas for further discussion

Carried

BY-LAWS:

No. 24-300

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT the following By-laws now read a first, second and third time and finally passed:

- 24-22-1975455 Ontario Ltd. Rezoning
- 24-46-By-law Enforcement Officer/Property Standards Appointment
- 24-41-General Amendment – Housekeeping By-law

Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

No. 24-301

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: John H. Wilson

RESOLVED THAT we do now move into Committee of the Whole.

Carried

Business for Consideration

- FIN-24-24-Community Grants Policy Update

No. 24-302

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

THAT Report No. FIN-24-24 entitled “Community Grants Policy Update” be received;

AND THAT the Community Grants Policy be brought forward for approval at an upcoming Council meeting.

Carried

Unfinished Business

No items.

New Business

No items.

Correspondence

No. 24-303

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: John H. Wilson

RESOLVED that Items O.1-O.8 be received and filed.

Carried

No. 24-304

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

RESOLVED THAT we do now move out of Committee of the Whole and reconvene the regular council meeting.

Carried

CLOSED SESSION:

No. 24-305

Moved By: Mark Widner

Seconded By: John H. Wilson

THAT Council move into Closed Session at 7:58p.m., pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to discuss the following:

-A personal matter about an identifiable individual, including Municipal and Local Board Employees (Section 239 (2)(c)).

Carried

No. 24-306

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT Council move out of Closed Session and reconvene at 8:41p.m. in order to continue with its deliberations;

AND there is nothing further to report.

Carried

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:

No. 24-307

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Scott Lewis

THAT By-law No.24-47, being a Confirmatory By-law, be given first, second and third readings, and be properly signed and sealed.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

No. 24-308

Moved By: Mark Widner

Seconded By: Rick Cerna

THAT Council adjourn its meeting at 8:42p.m to meet again on September 19, 2024 at 7:00p.m.

Carried

Original Signed By:

Mayor – D. Giguère

Original Signed By:

Clerk – A. Adams