

**The Corporation of the Township of Malahide**  
**April 17, 2025 – 7:00p.m.**  
Virtual Meeting - <https://youtu.be/ilxmKDWuby0>

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 R. Cerna, and Councillor C. Glinski.

**Absent:** Councillor S. Lewis

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

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Giguère took the Chair and called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**No. 25-129**

**Moved By: Sarah Leitch**

**Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT the April 17, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda be approved as presented/with the following additions:

- Unfinished Business: Tender Award: Pickup Truck Replacements
- Announcement Section: Strong Mayor Powers

**Carried**

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST and the General Nature thereof:**

Deputy Mayor Widner disclosed a pecuniary interest with respect to Section G – Meeting to Consider – Leonard Jones Drain, Branch C Extension. The nature of the conflict being that a Partner at Spriet Associates is an immediate relative of his.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Giguère spoke to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) intention to extend strong mayor powers to municipalities with a Council comprised of six or more members, effective

May 1st. As Malahide meets the criteria, it will be included by default. While the Province's intent behind this initiative is positive, many of the affected municipalities have expressed concerns. Mayor Giguère noted that while these powers will be available, they are simply another tool - one that may never need to be used. This is because, during this term of Council, there has been a strong commitment to its approach to decision-making - the "104 mindset" of one team, zero drama, and a continuous commitment to listening and learning, and growing together. We are and will continue to work as one team, council, staff and residents and trust as one team, team Malahide, is on board with that.

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

**No. 25-130**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: John H. Wilson**

THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting held on April 3, 2025 be adopted.

**Carried**

#### **PUBLIC MEETINGS & COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT:**

- Meeting to Consider – Leonard Jones Drain, Branch C Extension relating to parts of Lot 10, Concession 6

Deputy Mayor Widner disclosed a pecuniary interest with respect to Leonard Jones Drain, Branch C Extension. He retired from the meeting and abstained from all discussions and voting on the matter.

**No. 25-131**

**Moved By: John H. Wilson**

**Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT the Engineer's Report for the Leonard Jones Drain, Branch C Extension be accepted;

AND THAT By-law No. 25-25 being a by-law to provide for the Leonard Jones, Branch C Extension drainage works be read a first and second time and provisionally adopted.

**Carried**

**No. 25-132**

**Moved By: Sarah Leitch**

**Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT the Court of Revision for the Leonard Jones Drain, Branch C Extension be scheduled to be held on May 15, 2025 at 7:00p.m.

**Carried**

**No. 25-133**

**Moved By: John H. Wilson**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

THAT the tenders for the construction of the Leonard Jones Drain, Branch C Extension be requested for May 9, 2025 at 11:00a.m.

**Carried**

Deputy Mayor Widner returned to his seat at the Council table.

- Public Meeting – Zoning By-law Application – D14-Z03-25-Sharp-47254 Mapleton Line

**No. 25-134**

**Moved By: Mark Widner**

**Seconded By: John H. Wilson**

THAT Council adjourns its Regular Meeting at 7:12p.m. in order to convene in a Public Meeting under Section 34(12) of the *Planning Act*.

**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 on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>. In addition, affected property owners within 120 meters were mailed a notice at minimum 20 days prior to this meeting.

Mayor Giguère requested that Eric Steele of Monteith Brown provide an overview of the application.

Mayor Giguère asked if anyone in attendance wished to make comment and there were none.

Mayor Giguère invited comments from Council Members and Deputy Mayor noted that this property had previously come before Council with planning applications and inquired why it was being presented again. Mr. Steele explained that the application relates to a condition of severance from the original submission.

**No. 25-135**

**Moved By: John H. Wilson**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

THAT the Planning Public Meeting adjourn at 7:15p.m. and Council reconvene in its Regular Meeting in order to continue with its deliberations.

**Carried**

**No. 25-136**

**Moved By: Sarah Leitch**

**Seconded By: Mark Widner**

THAT Report No.DS-25-13 entitled “Zoning By-Law Amendment Application of Galen McCue, Melissa Sharp and Walter Harris, relating to the property located at 47254 Mapleton Line be received;

AND THAT the Zoning By-law Amendment Application No. D14-Z03-25 of Galen McCue, Melissa Sharp and Walter Harris, relating to the property located at CON 11 PT LOT 21 RP 11R4045 PART 1 & RP 11R3776 PART 3, Township of Malahide, and known municipally as 47254 Mapleton Line, BE APPROVED for the reasons set out in this Report.

**Carried**

- Public Hearing – Minor Variance Application – D-25-10-MV-02-25-Baertsoen-47325 Talbot

**No. 25-137**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT the Committee of Adjustment for the Township of Malahide be called to order at 7:16p.m. and that Mayor Dominique Giguère be appointed Chairperson for the “Committee of Adjustment”.

**Carried**

Chair Giguère requested that Eric Steele of Monteith Brown Planning Consultants (MBPC) provided an overview of the application.

Chair Giguère asked if any person in attendance wished to make any comments and they did not.

Chair Giguère asked if any Committee members wished to make any comments regarding the application and there were none.

**No. 25-138**

**Moved By: John H. Wilson**

**Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT Report No. DS-25-14 entitled “Minor Variance and Consent to Sever Applications of Arnold & Joanna Baertsoen”, relating to two properties located at PLAN 15 PT LOTS 1,2,3 PLAN;15 LOT 3 S/S TALBOT and PLAN 15 LOT 4 N/S MAIN PT;MILL ST CLOSED RP 11R7283; PART 5 , (47325 Talbot Line and 47340 Weldon Street, Malahide) be received;

AND THAT the Township of Malahide Committee of Adjustment approve Application No. D13-MV-02-25.

**Carried**

**No. 25-139**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT the Committee of Adjustment for the Township of Malahide be adjourned and the Council meeting reconvene at 7:21p.m.

**Carried**

**DELEGATIONS:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF BUSINESS (CONSENT AGENDA):**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Tender Award: Pickup Truck Replacements

**No. 25-140**

**Moved By: Mark Widner**

**Seconded By: John H. Wilson**

THAT the previously deferred recommendation related to Report No. PW-25-12 entitled "Tender Award: Pickup Truck Replacements" be approved;

AND THAT staff be authorized to enter into an agreement with Bayfield Ford of Barrie, Ontario, for the purchase of two (2) three-quarter-ton pickup trucks.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- DS-25-14- Consent Application-Baertsoen

**No. 25-141**

**Moved By: Sarah Leitch**

**Seconded By: John H. Wilson**

THAT Report No. DS-25-14 entitled “Minor Variance and Consent to Sever Applications of Arnold & Joanna Baertsoen”, relating to two properties located at PLAN 15 PT LOTS 1,2,3 PLAN;15 LOT 3 S/S TALBOT and PLAN 15 LOT 4 N/S MAIN PT;MILL ST CLOSED RP 11R7283; PART 5, (47325 Talbot Line and 47340 Weldon Street, Malahide) be received;

AND THAT Applications for Consent to Sever No. E22-25 and E23-25, be supported by the Township of Malahide Council for the reasons set out in this Report;

AND THAT this report and the recommended Consent conditions be forwarded to the Land Division Committee for its review and consideration.

### **Carried**

- FIN-25-08- 2024 Investment Reporting

### **No. 25-142**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT Report No. FIN-25-08 entitled “2024 Investment Reporting” be received for information.

### **Carried**

- CLERK-25-02- Civic Addressing and Road Naming Policy

### **No. 25-143**

**Moved By: John H. Wilson**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

THAT Report No. CLERK-25-02 entitled “Civic Addressing and Road Naming Policy” be received;

AND THAT Council approve the Civic Addressing and Road Naming Policy, as amended.

### **Carried**

### **BY-LAWS:**

### **No. 25-144**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

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

- 25-26 – McCue, Sharp, Harris Rezoning
- 25-24 – Civic Addressing and Road Naming Policy

AND THAT the following by-laws be now read a first and second time:

- 25-25 – Leonard Jones Branch C. Drain Extension

**Carried**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:**

**No. 25-145**

**Moved By: Sarah Leitch**

**Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

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

**Carried**

- FIN-25-07-Facility Rental Fees Update

**No. 25-146**

**Moved By: John H. Wilson**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

THAT Report No. FIN-25-07 entitled “Facility Rental Fees Update” be received for information;

THAT the Committee recommend to Council the approval of the revised Facility Rental Fee Schedule, attached as Appendix A to the report titled Facility Rental Fees Update;

AND THAT the revised Facility Rental Fee Schedule be adopted effective immediately;

AND THAT staff be directed to take all necessary steps to implement the revised fee schedule, including communicating changes to facility users and updating all relevant administrative materials and booking systems.

**Carried**

- CLERK-25-03-2026 Municipal Election-Method of Voting

**No. 25-147**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

THAT the Committee receive Report No. CLERK-25-03 entitled “2026 Municipal Election-Method of Voting”;

AND THAT the Committee recommend to Council approving the use of Internet and Telephone Voting as the voting method for the 2026 Municipal Election;

AND THAT the Committee recommend to Council that staff be authorized to execute any agreements necessary to implement internet/telephone voting, and direct staff to prepare the necessary by-law for consideration by Council at a future meeting.

**Carried**

**No. 25-148**

**Moved By: Rick Cerna**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

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

**Carried**

**CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS:**

**No. 25-149**

**Moved By: Mark Widner**

**Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

BE IT RESOLVED that item 12 be supported and items 1-11 be received and filed:

1. AMOWatchfile – April 3, 2025 and April 10, 2025
2. Elgin County – From the Council Chambers – April 8, 2025
3. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Notice of Strong Mayors Powers
4. Aylmer Evangelical Church – 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Information & Invitation
5. Long Point Region Conservation Authority – Minutes of March 7, 2025
6. Port Bruce Ratepayers' Association – Letter of Thanks
7. McDonalds Aylmer– McHappy Day Invitation
8. TVDSB Accommodation Plan – 2024-2025
9. North Border Search & Recovery - Emergency Services & Information Day – May 3<sup>rd</sup>
10. Elgin County Studio Tour – September 27 and 28<sup>th</sup> 2025
11. 2025 Ontario Senior of the Year Nomination
12. Prince Edward-Lennox & Addington Social Services – Ontario Works Financial Assistance Rates
13. Malahide Volunteer Firefighter Association – Request for portion of pier in Port Bruce for fireworks display
14. Ministry of the Solicitor General – Fire Protection Grant-Letter of Intent

**Carried**



- Malahide Volunteer Firefighter Association – Request for portion of pier in Port Bruce for fireworks display

**No. 25-150****Moved By: Rick Cerna****Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT the Malahide Volunteer Firefighter Association be granted permission to utilize a portion of the pier in Port Bruce for the purpose of a fireworks display on May 18, 2025 (rain date May 19, 2025); SUBJECT to providing the Township with proof of Event Liability Insurance naming the Township of Malahide as an additional insured.

**Carried**

- Ministry of the Solicitor General – Fire Protection Grant-Letter of Intent

**No. 25-151****Moved By: Mark Widner****Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT in addition to the approval granted under Resolution No. 25-004, and further to Report No. F-25-01 entitled “Fire Protection Grant,” Malahide Council approves the formalization of the additional grant allocation for the Fire Protection Grant program;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Director of Fire and Emergency Services and the Director of Corporate Services the authority to execute the amended Transfer Payment Agreement with the Province of Ontario for the 2024–2025 Fire Protection Grant Program in the amount of \$361.73.

**Carried****CLOSED SESSION:**

No items.

**CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:****No. 25-152****Moved By: Rick Cerna****Seconded By: Sarah Leitch**

THAT By-law No.25-27, being a Confirmatory By-law, be given first, second and third readings, and be properly signed and sealed.

**Carried**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**No. 25-153**

**Moved By: Mark Widner**

**Seconded By: Rick Cerna**

THAT Council adjourn its meeting at 8:08p.m. meet again on May 1, 2025 at 7:00p.m.

**Carried**

Original Signed By:

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Mayor – D. Giguère

Original Signed By:

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Clerk – A. Adams