

**The Corporation of the Township of Malahide
December 4, 2025 – 7:00p.m.**

Virtual Meeting - <https://youtu.be/iuKXAIRLBEo?si=xnKAEMggsCKXBsTZ>

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

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer N. Dias, Clerk A. Adams, Director of Public Works J. Godby, Deputy Treasurer T. Hoover, Asset Management Analyst T. Jones, and Community Relations and Economic Development Manager S. Tripp.

Absent: Mayor D. Giguère

CALL TO ORDER:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

No. 25-417

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Scott Lewis

THAT the December 4, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Agenda be approved as presented. with the following amendments:

- Removal of Long Service Recognition awarded by the Governor General Malahide Firefighters
- Section P Item 2 - Revised EECC draft minutes have been issued to correct an omission
- Section K – Report PW-25-43 has been reordered to support the flow of the meeting.
- Announcement Section – Community Event and Notice of Passing

Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST and the General Nature therefore:

Deputy Mayor Widner disclosed a pecuniary interest with respect to Section K, Reports PW-25-42, and PW-25-44. The nature of the conflict being that a Partner at Spriet Associates is an immediate relative of his.

Councillor Glinski disclosed a pecuniary interest with respect to Section K, Reports FIN-25-21 entitled "Applications for Assessment Adjustments under Section 357 & 358 of the Municipal

Act, 2001. The nature of the conflict being that he is a property owner of one of the affected applications.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Councillor Leitch announced the South Dorchester Optimist having their annual turkey bingo, tomorrow Friday December 5th with funds raised going back into the community. They are also accepting donations of canned goods for the Corner Cupboard Food Bank.
- Deputy Mayor offered condolences to Chief Spoor on the passing of his mother.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

No. 25-418

Moved By: Sarah Leitch

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting held on November 20, 2025 be adopted.

Carried

PUBLIC MEETINGS & COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT:

None.

DELEGATIONS:

No. 25-419

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

THAT the presentation received from Elizabeth VanHooren of Kettle Creek Conservation Authority regarding the proposed Conservation Authorities transformation be received.

Carried

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS (CONSENT AGENDA):

No. 25-420

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Rick Cerna

Whereas, at its November 20, 2025 meeting, the Committee of the Whole recommended to Council:

- a) THAT Report No. PW-25-41 entitled "Recycling Collection from Non-Eligible Sources" be received;

AND THAT the Committee recommend to Council to approve the discontinuance of curbside recycling collection at all Non-Eligible Sources within the Township effective January 1, 2026

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adopts the above recommendation from the Committee of the Whole.

Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Glinski disclosed a pecuniary interest with respect to this agenda item. He retired from the meeting and abstained from all discussions and voting on the matter.

- FIN-25-21- Applications for Assessment Adjustments under Section 357 & 358 of the Municipal Act, 2001

No. 25-421

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT Report No. FIN-25-21 entitled "Applications for Assessment Adjustments under Section 357 & 358 of the Municipal Act, 2001" be received;

AND THAT, pursuant to Section 357 (a) and (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001, the Township's Treasurer be authorized to amend the Township's tax collection roll for the amount of \$13,337.42.

Carried

Councillor Glinski returned to his seat at the Council table.

- FIN-25-22 - 2025 Comparative Analysis of Property Tax Rates within Elgin County

No. 25-422**Moved By: Rick Cerna****Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT Report No. FIN-25-22 entitled "2025 Comparative Analysis of Property Tax Rates within Elgin County" be received for information.

Carried

- FIN-25-23 - Temporary Borrowing By-law

No. 25-423**Moved By: Sarah Leitch****Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT Report No. FIN-25-23 entitled "Temporary Borrowing By-law" be received;

AND THAT By-law #25-64 be given a first, second and third reading.

Carried

- PW-25-40 – Off Road Vehicle By-law Renewal

No. 25-424**Moved By: Rick Cerna****Seconded By: Chester Glinski**

THAT Report No. PW-25-40 entitled " Off Road Vehicle By-law Renewal" be received;

AND THAT Council approve the attached Off Road Vehicle By-law;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute a Recognized Agency Agreement with the Talbot Trail ATV Club for the purpose of ensuring continued compliance with Malahide's Off-Road Vehicles By-law.

Carried

- PW- 25-43 - Petition for Drainage – Saarloos

No. 25-425**Moved By: Scott Lewis****Seconded By: JWL**

THAT Report No. PW- 25-43 entitled "Petition for Drainage - Saarloos" be received;

AND THAT Peter Penner, P. Eng., of Cyril J. Demeyere Limited be appointed to prepare an Engineer's Report pursuant to *Section 4* of the *Drainage Act R.S.O. 1990*.

Carried

The Deputy Mayor declared a conflict of interest on reports PW-25-42 and PW-25-44 and vacated the Chair.

Since the Deputy Mayor cannot chair the next items, Council needs to appoint an Acting Chair. Does a member want to move a motion to appoint an Acting Chair.

No. 25-426

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Rick Cerna

I move that Councillor Cerna be appointed Acting Chair for the declared conflict of interest items.

Carried

- PW- 25-44 - Drain Report Re-assessment: Hiepleh-Dance Drain

No. 25-427

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

THAT Report No. PW- 25-44 entitled "Drain Report Re-assessment: Hiepleh-Dance Drain" be received;

AND THAT John M. Spriet, P. Eng., of Spriet Associates, be appointed to prepare an Engineer's Report for the re-assessment of the Hiepleh-Dance Petition.

Carried

- PW- 25-42 - Request for Improvement – Ferguson Drain

No. 25-428

Moved By: Chester Glinski

Seconded By: John H. Wilson

THAT Report No. PW- 25-42 entitled "Request for Improvement – Ferguson Drain" be received;

AND THAT John M. Spriet, P. Eng., of Spriet Associates be appointed to prepare an Engineer's Report pursuant to *Section 78* of the *Drainage Act R.S.O. 1990*.

Carried

Deputy Mayor Widner returned to his seat as Chair at the Council table and Councillor Cerna returned to his seat.

- CAO-25-07 - Impacts from Bill 60 (Fighting Delays, Building Faster Act, 2025)

No. 25-429

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT Report CAO-25-07 entitled "Impacts from Bill 60 (Fighting Delays, Building Faster Act, 2025)" be received for information.

Carried

BY-LAWS:

No. 25-430

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

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

- 25-64 – Temporary Borrowing By-law
- 25-61 – Use of Off-Road Vehicles
- 25-62 – ATV Agreement with The Talbot Trail ATV Club Inc.

Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

No. 25-431

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: John H. Wilson

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

Carried

- DS-25-42 - Community Relations & Economic Development Focus Areas Report

No. 25-432

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Scott Lewis

THAT Report No. DS-25-42 entitled "Community Relations & Economic Development Focus Areas Report" be received;

AND THAT the Committee recommends that Council endorse the documentation updates and program highlights as presented.

Carried

- FIN-25-19 – 2026 Draft Water Budget

No. 25-433

Moved By: Sarah Leitch

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

THAT Report No. FIN-25-19 entitled "2026 Draft Water Budget" be received;

AND THAT the committee recommend that 2026 Draft Water Budget and water system user rates be approved;

AND THAT the committee recommend Municipal staff be authorized to carry out the administrative acts necessary to implement the 2026 Draft Water Budget and user rates as approved.

Carried

- FIN-25-20 – 2026 Draft Sewer Budget

No. 25-434

Moved By: Sarah Leitch

Seconded By: Rick Cerna

THAT Report No. FIN-25-20 entitled "2026 Draft Sewer Budget" be received;

AND THAT the committee recommend that the 2026 Draft Sewer Budget and sewer system user rates be approved.

Carried

No. 25-435

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Scott Lewis

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

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS:

No. 25-436

Moved By: Scott Lewis

Seconded By: Chester Glinski

THAT staff be directed to draft comments for submission as part of the public consultation process in relation to items 5 and 6;

AND THAT the remaining items be noted and filed.

1. AMOWatchfile – November 20, 2025 and November 27, 2025
2. EECC Board Draft Minutes – Special Meeting and Regular Meeting - November 26, 2025
3. EECC Board - EECC 2026 Operating, Capital, and User Fee Approval
4. Elgin OPP Detachment Board Correspondence - Administrative Support and Financial Management
5. Kettle Creek Conservation Authority - KCCA Board Resolution Re: Bill 68 and ERO Posting 025-1257
6. Catfish Creek Conservation Authority - Resolution (Bill 68 and ERO Posting 025-1257)
7. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Protect Ontario by Building Faster and Smarter Act, 2025 (Bill 17)
8. Kettle Creek Conservation Authority - 2026 Municipal Apportionment and Budget
9. Long Point Region Conservation Authority - 30-Day Notice to Affected Municipalities – 2026 Draft LPRCA Budget
10. Kettle Creek Conservation Authority Full Authority Minutes – October 15, 2025
11. Infrastructure Ontario – Notice of Intent to Exempt Project through Screening Government Property Class Environmental Assessment – 10716 Hacienda Road, Aylmer
12. Enbridge Gas Correspondence
 - a. Notice of A Hearing
 - b. EB-2025-0155 Enbridge Gas Inc. - 2024 Utility Earnings and Disposition of Deferral & Variance Account Balances - Notice of Application
13. Catfish Creek Channel Sounding Correspondence
14. Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response - FPT Meeting on Emergency Management

15. Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System – December 4, 2025 Agenda & Meeting Package
16. MNR Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch - Black Bear Harvest Management in Ontario
17. Town of Ajax - Solve the Crisis and Winter Homelessness Program Support
18. Town of Wasaga Beach - Resolution from the Town of Wasaga Beach – Advocacy for Funds to Effectively Manage the Emerald Ash Borer Infestation

Carried

CLOSED SESSION:

None.

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:

No. 25-437

Moved By: Rick Cerna

Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT By-law No.25-65, being a Confirmatory By-law, be given first, second and third readings, and be properly signed and sealed.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

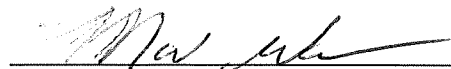
No. 25-438

Moved By: Sarah Leitch


Seconded By: Rick Cerna

THAT Council adjourn its meeting at 8:45 p.m.to meet again on December 18, 2025 at 6:00p.m.

Carried



Deputy Mayor – M. Widner



Clerk – A. Adams