

Minutes County Council - Regular Meeting

9:30 AM - Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Electronic Participation



The meeting was held hybrid (in-person and electronic) and was streamed live on the County of Peterborough's YouTube channel ([Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#)).

Present: Warden Bonnie Clark, Deputy Warden Sherry Senis, Councillor Carolyn Amyotte, Councillor Carol Armstrong, Councillor Ron Black, Councillor Lori Burt, Councillor Matthew Graham, Councillor Ryan Huntley, Councillor Terry Lambshead, Councillor Jim Martin, Councillor Harold Nelson, Councillor Joe Taylor, Councillor Heather Watson, Councillor Hart Webb, Councillor Jim Whelan, and Councillor Pat Wilford

Regrets:

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer Sheridan Graham; Senior Director of Emergency & Shared Services/Deputy CAO Randy Mellow; Chief Information Officer/Chief Financial Officer and Senior Director of Corporate Services Jennifer Stover; Chief of Paramedics Patricia Bromfield; Director of Strategic Services Lynn Fawn; Senior Director of Planning and Public Works Bryan Weir; Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Kari Stevenson; Director of Planning Iain Mudd; Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer Michelle Fisher; Manager of Communications Tracie Bertrand

1. Call To Order

Warden Clark called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Warden recited the Land Acknowledgement.

3. Moment of Silent Reflection/Silence

Council observed a Moment of Silence for the 18th Prime Minister of Canada, Brian Mulroney. Council extended their deepest condolences to his family, friends, colleagues, and all mourning his loss.

4. Adoption of Addendum Agenda

Resolution No. 68-2024

Moved by Councillor Lambshead
Seconded by Councillor Burt

That the addendum agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

6. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 69-2024

Moved by Councillor Taylor
Seconded by Councillor Amyotte

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 21, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

7. Delegations and Presentations

8. Consent Items

Note: All matters listed under Consent Items are considered to be routine, housekeeping, information or non-controversial in nature and to facilitate Council's consideration can be approved by one motion.

- a. **Kari Stevenson, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk**
Re: Securing access to natural gas for our community and Ontario
- b. **Karla Sampson, Senior Executive Assistant to the CAO/Special Projects Lead**
Re: February 21, 2024 Report CAO 2024-06 - Economic Development Task Force
- c. **Staff Reports**
Sheridan Graham, CAO/Deputy Clerk/Deputy Treasurer
Re: CAO 2024-04 Organizational and Service Delivery Review (OSDR) Projects - Staffing Changes
- d. **Staff Reports**
Lynn Fawn, Director of Strategic Services
Re: CPS 2024-07 Revisions to CORP-05 Municipal Alcohol Policy
- e. **Staff Report**
Ann Hamilton, Land Division Secretary/Treasurer
Re: PPW 2024-08 Land Division Committee Report January to December 2023
- f. **Correspondence Report**
Re: CPS 2024-08 Correspondence Report
- g. **Liaison Reports from External Committees, Boards and Agencies**

Fairhaven Board of Directors
Re: Minutes of January 10, 2024

The entire correspondence report, item 8.f., was pulled from the Consent Agenda to be dealt with separately.

Resolution No. 70-2024

Moved by Councillor Taylor
Seconded by Deputy Warden Senis

That the Township of Perry's resolution regarding amending the Blue Box Regulation for "Ineligible" Sources be supported.

Carried

Resolution No. 71-2024

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis
Seconded by Councillor Black

That the letter from the Former Senior Managers of Public Health Ontario regarding the closure of regional laboratories, including the reasons for not closing the laboratories set out in that letter, be supported; and

That this resolution be sent to the three local MPPs and the eight lower-tier Clerks.

Carried

Resolution No. 72-2024

Moved by Councillor Webb
Seconded by Councillor Martin

That the balance of the Correspondence Report be received.

Carried

Resolution No. 73-2024

Moved by Councillor Graham
Seconded by Councillor Wilford

Whereas access to natural gas is important to residents and businesses in our community for affordability and reliability;

Whereas the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) decision on Phase 1 of the Enbridge Gas 2024 rebasing application, issued on 21 December 2023, has concerning implications including putting into question the future access to natural gas that support of economic development, affordable housing growth, and energy reliability in communities such as Peterborough County; and

Whereas Ontario is growing and access to affordable energy to support this growth for homes and businesses is crucial, as is a measured approach to

energy transition as not having access to natural gas will stifle economic growth and put housing and energy affordability at risk.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Corporation of the County of Peterborough (the "County") supports a measured approach to Ontario's energy transition;

That the County recognizes that there may not be enough electricity available to replace the energy provided by natural gas and meet the increased demand from electrification;

That natural gas must continue to play an integral role in meeting the energy needs of Ontario;

That the County supports the work the Government of Ontario has done to date, including the Natural Gas Expansion Program and Electrification and Energy Transition Panel's call for a clear policy on the role of natural gas to secure access to affordable energy;

That this resolution be circulated to the Colin Best, President of AMO, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Todd Smith, Minister of Energy, MPP Smith, MPP Piccini, and MPP Scott and submitted to municipalaffairs@enbridge.com; and

That the attached draft letter to MPP Smith, MPP Piccini and MPP Scott be approved and signed by the Warden.

That Deputy Warden Senis (Warden's Designate), Councillor Watson and Councillor Martin be appointed as Council representation on the Economic Development Task Force; and,

That Report CAO 2024-04 Organizational and Service Delivery Efficiencies and Staffing changes report be received for information; and,

That report CPS 2024-07 Revisions to CORP-05 Municipal Alcohol Policy be received; and

That the revised CORP-05 Municipal Alcohol policy be adopted; and

That LPV-16 Serving and Consumption of Alcohol Policy be rescinded; and,

That Report PPW 2024-08 "Land Division Committee Report January to December 2023" be received; and,

That the minutes of the Fairhaven Board of Directors meeting on January 10, 2024 be received.

Carried

9. Staff Reports - Direction

- a. **Iain Mudd, Director of Planning**
Re: PPW 2024-07 Watershed Plan Options

Resolution No. 74-2024

Councillor Whelan amended the main motion (Res No. 75-2024).

Moved by Councillor Whelan

Seconded by Deputy Warden Senis

That Report PPW 2024-07, Watershed Plan Options, be received; and

That staff be directed to bring a report back to Council, once obtaining more information from the Province regarding speculated changes, with a comprehensive report on a watershed plan, what it entails and the estimated costs for Council's consideration to move forward.

Defeated

Resolution No. 75-2024

Moved by Councillor Graham

Seconded by Councillor Black

That report PPW 2024-07, Watershed Plan Options be received; and

That staff be directed to report back to Council as soon as possible with a comprehensive report on a watershed plan, with what it entails and the estimated costs for Council's consideration to move forward.

Carried.

10. Notice of Motions

11. Announcements

Deputy Warden Senis reminded Council of the "March Midnight Madness" event that evening from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Selwyn Township Thrift Stores supporting Community Care and the Selwyn Public Libraries.

Warden Clark announced that this Friday is International Women's Day, and that next week is March Break.

12. Closed Session

Under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, S. 239(2) to consider:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (proposed acquisition of land by municipality).

Resolution No. 76-2024

Moved by Councillor Watson
Seconded by Councillor Amyotte

That Council move into Closed Session at 11:06 a.m. under Section 239 (2) (c) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Carried

13. Rise from Closed Session

Resolution No. 77-2024

Moved by Councillor Armstrong
Seconded by Councillor Burt

That Council rise from closed session at 11:09 a.m.

Carried

14. Matters Arising from Closed Session

Resolution No. 78-2024

Moved by Councillor Wilford
Seconded by Councillor Webb

That the minutes of the Closed Session dated February 21, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

Resolution No. 79-2024

Moved by Councillor Black
Seconded by Councillor Huntley

That the CAO and Treasurer be authorized to take all steps necessary to purchase the property located at 1326 Young's Point Road, Selwyn Township.

Carried

15. By-laws

- a. By-law No. 2024-08 being, "A by-law to authorize the Corporation of the County of Peterborough to enter into Amending Agreement No. 1 to the Transfer Payment Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP): Public Transit Stream with His Majesty the King in right of the Province of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario".
- b. By-law No. 2024-09 being, "A by-law to adopt County of Peterborough Official Plan Amendment No. 77, File No. 15OP-23006, 14 Bluebird Lane, North Kawartha Township".

Resolution No. 80-2024

Moved by Councillor Graham
Seconded by Councillor Nelson

That By-law Nos. 2024-08 and 2024-09 be read and passed and that these by-laws shall be signed by the Warden and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

Carried

16. Confirming By-law

Resolution No. 81-2024

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis
Seconded by Councillor Martin

That the confirming by-law to adopt, ratify, and confirm the actions of Council at today's meeting in respect to each report, motion, resolution or other action passed and taken by Council be adopted.

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution No. 82-2024

Moved by Councillor Armstrong
Seconded by Councillor Amyotte

That the Council meeting adjourn at 11:11 a.m.

Carried



Warden, Bonnie Clark



Clerk, Karl Stevenson