

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Township of Douro-Dummer

**April 2, 2024, 5:00 PM
Council Chambers in the Municipal Building**

Members Present: Mayor Heather Watson
Deputy Mayor Harold Nelson
Councillor Thomas Watt
Councillor Adam Vervoort
Councillor Ray Johnston

Staff Present: Acting CAO/Clerk - Martina Chait-Hartwig
Interim Treasurer - Paul Creamer
Planner - Christina Coulter
Student – Eva Baldi

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of Council being present, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Mayor recited the Land Acknowledgement.

3. Moment of Silent Reflection

Council observed a moment of silent reflection.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

The Mayor reminded members of Council of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

5. Adoption of Agenda: April 2, 2024

Resolution Number 090-2024

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting, dated April 2, 2024, be adopted, as circulated.

Carried

6. Adoption of Minutes and Business Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes - March 19, 2024

Resolution Number 091-2024

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on March 19, 2024 be received and approved.

Carried

7. Consent Agenda (Reports voted upon by ONE motion) - No Debate

7.1 Peterborough County Council Minutes – February 21, 2024 and March 6, 2024

7.2 Technical Advisory Committee Official Plan Modification Meeting No. 4 - Meeting Minutes March 21, 2024

Resolution Number 092-2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That the Consent Agenda for April 2, 2024 be received.

Carried

8. Delegations, Petitions, Presentations or Public Meetings:

8.1 Public Meeting - Zoning By-law Amendment - File R-06-24 (Girard), Planning-2024-09

Resolution Number 093-2024

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Public Meeting regarding the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment R-06-24 (Girard) be declared open. (5:03 p.m.)

Carried

In attendance:

Michel and Megan Girard, applicants

Comments received:

- Enbridge Gas Inc.: No objections to the application.
- City of Peterborough: No comments or concerns in relation to the proposed rezoning application.

- Otonabee Region Conservation Authority: Otonabee Conservation staff review indicates that the proposed development on the lands is not located within a known hazard. Therefore, it is the opinion of Otonabee Conservation staff that the application remains consistent with Section 3.1 of the PPS. Otonabee Conservation staff review indicates that the lands are not subject to Ontario Regulation 167/06 Otonabee Conservation's "development, interference with wetlands and alterations to shorelines and watercourses" regulation. Permits from Otonabee Region Conservation Authority are not required. It was determined that the subject property is not located within a vulnerable area that is subject to SPP policies. Significant drinking water threats are not possible and a Restricted Land Use Notice is not required.
- A letter was received on April 1, 2024 from the owner of 810 Canal Road indicating that they are neither in favour or disagreement of the application, but did provide the history of the previous uses of the two properties. They noted drainage issues and inquired about the septic and well servicing for the two dwellings. A copy of the letter was provided to the applicant.

Resolution Number 094-2024

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Public Meeting for the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

R-06-24 (Girard) be declared closed. (5:09 p.m.)

Carried

Resolution Number 095-2024

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That Report, dated April 2, 2024, regarding Zoning By-law Amendment – File R-06-24 be received; and

That Council receive all comments related to Zoning By-law Amendment File R-06-24; and

That the By-law to enact the amendment be passed at the appropriate time in the meeting.

Carried

8.2 Presentation - Peterborough County/City Paramedics - Services Update

Resolution Number 096-2024

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the presentation from Patricia Bromfield, Chief of Paramedics for Peterborough County/City Paramedics regarding the services update be received.

Carried

8.3 Delegation - Patrick Leahy, Douro 200th Anniversary Committee - Peter Robinson Emigration Commemorations

Resolution Number 097-2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the delegation from Patrick Leahy of the Douro 200th Anniversary Committee regarding the Peter Robinson Emigration Commemorations scheduled for July 2025 be received.

Carried

8.4 Delegation - Morton Medical Centre - 2022 Financial Statements and Community Grant Application

Resolution Number 098-2024

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the delegation from Dave Bignell, Vice Chair, Ron Fotheringham and Sue Bell-Gastle of the Morton Medical Centre on the 2022 Financial Statements and Community Grant Application be received.

Carried

9. Public Comment Period - No Debate or Decision: None

10. Staff Reports

10.1 Report and Capital Project Status

Resolution Number 099-2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the Report and Capital Status document be received.

Carried

10.2 Community Grant Requests, Treasurer-2024-03

Resolution Number 100-2024

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the report, dated April 2, 2024, regarding Community Grant Requests be received, and;

That Council provide staff with direction to fund the Community Grant request from the Warsaw and District Lion's Club (Application #3) for the 2024 property tax amount of \$1,324.49, and;

That the Community Grant request from the Morton Community Healthcare Centre (Application #2) for 50% of the 2023 and 2024 municipal portion of the property taxes which totals \$7,711.78, be further discussed and revisited at a later meeting. Carried

10.3 Line Fences Act Program Overhaul, Clerk's Office-2024-08

Resolution Number 101-2024

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That the report, dated April 2, 2024, regarding the Line Fences Act Program Overhaul be received; and

That Council passes the draft Line Fences By-law, and approves the Policy and Procedure; and

That Council appoints Township Staff as Fence-Viewers until community viewers can be recruited. Carried

10.4 Request for Appointment to the Library Board, Clerk's Office-2024-07

Resolution Number 102-2024

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the report, dated April 2, 2024 regarding a request for a new member to be appointed to the Douro-Dummer Public Library Board be received and that Tina Fridgen be appointed to the Board for the remainder of the 2022-2026 term of Council. Carried

11. Committee Minutes and Other Reports: None

12. Correspondence – Action Items:

12.1 Municipality of Wawa - Resolution regarding Pausing Advancement on Proposed Highway 413

Resolution Number 103-2024

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That the resolution from the Municipality of Wawa regarding Pausing Advancement on Proposed Highway 413 be received. Carried

12.2 Town of Bracebridge - Resolution regarding Request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework

Resolution Number 104-2024

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the resolution from The Town of Bracebridge regarding a request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework be received and supported. Carried

12.3 The County of Prince Edward - Resolution regarding a Call to Action to Meet the Deadline of an Accessible Ontario by 2025

Resolution Number 105-2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That the resolution from The County of Prince Edward regarding a Call to Action to meet the Deadline of an Accessible Ontario by 2025 be received. Carried

13. By-laws:

- 13.1 By-law Number 2024-16 to amend By-law Number 10-1996, as amended, otherwise known as "The Township of Douro-Dummer Comprehensive Zoning By-law" (File R-06-24)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That By-law 2024-16 to amend By-law Number 10-1996, as amended, otherwise known as "The Township of Douro-Dummer Comprehensive Zoning By-law" (File R-06-24), be passed, in open Council this 2nd day of April, 2024 and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

- 13.2 By-law Number 2024-17 - Application of the Line Fences Act in the Corporation of The Township of Douro-Dummer and Repeal By-law 2009-33

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That By-law 2024-17, Being a By-law for the Application of the Line Fences Act in the Corporation of The Township of Douro-Dummer and Repeal By-law 2009-33, be passed, in open Council this 2nd day of April, 2024 and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

- 13.3 By-law Number 2024-18 - Appointment of Fence-Views for the Township of Douro-Dummer

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That By-law 2024-18, Being a By-law to Appoint Fence-Viewers for the Township of Douro-Dummer, be passed, in open Council this 2nd day of April, 2024 and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

14. Reports derived from previous Notice of Motions: None

15. Notices of Motion - No Debate: None

16. Announcements:

Councillor Johnston mentioned the Warsaw and District Lions' Beef Dinner that will take place on May 4, 2024 at the Warsaw Town Hall.

Mayor Watson announced the success of the Easter Egg Hunt hosted by the Douro-Dummer Parks and Recreation Department at the Douro Park March 30, 2024, and thanked staff for their efforts.

17. Closed Session: None

18. Rise from Closed Session with or without a Report: None

19. Matters Arising from Closed Session: None

20. Confirming By-law 2024-18

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That By-law Number 2024-18, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council, held on the 2nd day of April, 2024, be passed in open Council and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

21. Next Meeting:

Committee of the Whole – April 9, 2024

Special and Regular Council Meeting – April 16, 2024

22. Adjournment

Resolution Number 106-2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That this meeting adjourn at 6:27 p.m. Carried

Mayor, Heather Watson

Acting CAO/Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig