Minutes County Council - Regular Meeting



9:30 AM - Wednesday, April 9, 2025 Electronic Participation

The meeting was held hybrid (in-person and electronic) and was streamed live on the County of Peterborough's YouTube channel (Watch Video).

Present:

Warden Bonnie Clark, Deputy Warden Sherry Senis, Councillor Carolyn Amyotte, Councillor Carol Armstrong, Councillor Ron Black, Councillor Lori Burtt, 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:

CFO/CIO/Deputy CAO Jennifer Stover; Chief of Paramedics Patricia Bromfield; Director of Strategic Services/Deputy Clerk Lynn Fawn; Director of Planning, Development and Public Works Iain Mudd; Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer Michelle Fisher; General Manager of Communications and Tourism Tracie Bertrand; General Manager of Engineering & Construction Doug Saccoccia; General Manager of Planning Keziah Holden;

1. Call To Order

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

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Moment of Silent Reflection/Silence

Council observed a moment of silence in memory of Lori Richey, Healthcare Advancement Coordinator for Peterborough County since October 2023, who passed away on March 23, 2025. Council extended their deepest condolences to her family, friends, colleagues and all mourning her loss.

Warden Clark discussed the ice storm that occurred on the weekend of March 29th, stating that the County declared a State of Emergency on March 31st, which remains in effect today.

She shared a message to residents letting them know the County remains committed to efforts to support and advocate for them. She reminded residents that updates on storm-related matters are available on the County website and encouraged all to follow safety protocols on the use of generators, approaching power lines, and fire safety.

Warden Clark recognized and thanked all those involved in the emergency response, including Peterborough County-City Paramedics, Public Works, Peterborough County staff, Hydro One crew members and partner agencies.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Warden Clark requested an amendment to the agenda to remove report item 9.a. to the April 23rd meeting due to questions that have been brought forward. She advised there is a media conference this morning which she and several staff will be attending and wants to ensure there is sufficient time for a more fulsome discussion on the staff report.

Resolution No. 70-2025

Moved by Councillor Webb Seconded by Councillor Amyotte

That the agenda be adopted as amended, removing Item 9.a., staff report regarding the Proposed 2025 Economic Development and Tourism Budget, to be brought forward to the April 23, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

5. Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

6. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 71-2025

Moved by Councillor Nelson Seconded by Councillor Graham

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 19, 2025 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. Staff Reports

Michelle Fisher, General Manager, Finance/Deputy Treasurer

Re: 2024 Investment Report

b. Staff Reports

Allison Young, General Manager, People Services

Re: Employee Code of Conduct Policy Update

c. Staff Reports

Keziah Holden, General Manager of Planning

Re: Official Plan Amendment No. 79 - 181 County Road 4

- d. Correspondence Report
- e. Liaison Reports from External Committees, Boards and Agencies Age-friendly Peterborough Advisory Committee Re: Minutes of February 18, 2025
- f. Liaison Reports from External Committees, Boards and Agencies Haliburton Kawartha Northumberland Peterborough Board of Health Re: Meeting Summary of March 20, 2025

Item 8.d. was pulled from the Consent Items to be dealt with separately.

Resolution No. 72-2025

Moved by Councillor Whelan Seconded by Councillor Huntley

That Report CPS 2025-11, Correspondence Report, be received; and

That staff be requested to bring forward a motion to the next council meeting endorsing the federal and provincial governments call to action to buy Canadian and where this is not possible, the County will source from countries that do not have tariffs applied to Canada.

Carried

Resolution No. 73-2025

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

That Report FIN 2025-11, 2024 Investment Report, be received for information; and,

That Report PS 2025-01, Employee Code of Conduct Policy Update, be received; and

That comments on Policy CORP-01 be sent to the CFO/CIO/Deputy CAO prior to April 22, 2025; and,

That Report PDPW 2025-12, Official Plan Amendment No. 79 – 181 County Road 4, be received;

That Official Plan Amendment No. 79, County File No. 15OP-24005 be approved and adopted by by-law;

That the required Notice of Decision be circulated in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act; and

That the Director of Planning, Development and Public Works be authorized to sign the approval certificate at the conclusion of the appeal period if no appeals are received; and,

That the minutes of the Age-friendly Peterborough Advisory Committee dated February 18, 2025 be received; and,

That the meeting summary of the Haliburton Kawartha Northumberland Peterborough Board of Health dated March 20, 2025 be received.

Carried

9. Staff Reports - Direction

- a. Removed from Agenda
- b. Doug Saccoccia, General Manager, Engineering & Construction Re: Road Safety Audit County Road 507

Resolution No. 74-2025

Moved by Councillor Lambshead Seconded by Councillor Wilford

That Report PDPW-2025-10, Road Safety Audit – County Road 507, be received; and

That the County Road 507 Road Safety Audit and recommendations therein be adopted.

Carried

c. Doug Saccoccia, General Manager, Engineering & Construction Re: Intersection of County Road 40 at Ridge Street

Resolution No. 75-2025

Moved by Councillor Taylor Seconded by Councillor Burtt

That Report PDPW 2025-11, Intersection of County Road 40 at Ridge Street, be received; and

10. Notices of Motion

11. Announcements

Councillor Wilford recognized and thanked the County of Renfrew for their loan of a woodchipper to assist with the cleanup from the recent ice storm.

Councillor Wilford announced that on Tuesday, April 15th, a historical talk "New Beginnings: Irish settlement in Asphodel Norwood", led by Cheryl Levy, will be held at the Norwood Town Hall starting at 7:00 p.m.

12. Closed Session

13. Rise from Closed Session

14. Matters Arising from Closed Session

15. By-laws

a. By-law No. 2025-14 being, "A by-law to adopt County of Peterborough Official Plan Amendment No. 79, File No. 15OP-24005, 181 County Road 4, Douro Ward, Douro-Dummer Township".

Resolution No. 76-2025

Moved by Councillor Watson Seconded by Councillor Black

That By-law No. 2025-14 be read and passed and that this by-law shall be signed by the Warden and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

Carried

16. Confirming By-law

Resolution No. 77-2025

Moved by Councillor Martin Seconded by Councillor Amyotte

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. 78-2025

Moved by Councillor Huntley Seconded by Councillor Lambshead

That the Council meeting adjourn at 10:08 a.m.

Carried

Bonnie Clark
Warden, Bonnie Clark

Clerk Kan Stevenson