



MINUTES

DATE: March 3, 2021

REGULAR MEETING: 10:00 A.M.

The March 3, 2021 Regular Council Meeting was held on the above date and called to order at 10:00 a.m. via electronic participation.

1. **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Sara Bailey
Councillor Matthew Bulmer
Councillor Jessica Goyda
Councillor John Sepulis
Mayor James Seeley

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Glenn Schwendinger, CAO
2. Mike Fowler, Director of Public Works, Parks and Facilities
3. Mary Hasan, Director of Finance/Treasurer
4. Courtenay Hoytfox, Municipal Clerk

3. **MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2021-049:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That Council approves the March 3, 2021 Agenda and Addendum as circulated; and

That Council approves the additions to the agenda as follows:

6.26 Wellington County Training Officer - Regional Training Centre Information

10.2 Letter regarding concerns in Arkell, prepared by Bruce Taylor

CARRIED

5. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:**

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

6.1 Adoption and Receipt of the Minutes of the Previous Council and Committee Meetings:

6.1.1 February 10, 2021 Electronic Participation Council Meeting Minutes

6.1.2 November 17, 2020 Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

6.1.3 January 12, 2021 Committee of Adjustment Meeting Minutes

6.1.4 January 12, 2021 Planning and Development Advisory Committee Minutes

6.2 Municipality of Mississippi Mills Resolution regarding Revisions to the Municipal Elections Act

6.3 Township of Conmee resolution regarding criminal records and municipal election candidates

6.4 Township of Terrace Bay Resolution regarding the Ontario Fire College

- 6.5 Township of Augusta Resolution regarding the Ontario Fire College
- 6.6 Township of Perry Resolution of Support - Ontario Fire College
- 6.7 Baldwin Township Resolution regarding Ontario Fire College Gravenhurst closure
- 6.8 Town of Gravenhurst Resolution regarding the Ontario Fire College
- 6.9 An Open Letter to Ontario Municipal Councils from the AMCTO
- 6.10 Town of Bracebridge Resolution regarding Infrastructure Funding
- 6.11 City of St. Catherine's resolution regarding Universal Paid Sick Days in Ontario
- 6.12 Letter from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding proposed amendments to Grand River Source Protection Plan
- 6.13 Norfolk County Support Resolution regarding Bill 197 - Endorsement St. Catherine's Resolution
- 6.14 Notice of Virtual Public Information Centre for the Morrison Bypass
- 6.15 Township of Georgian Bay resolution regarding Insurance premiums
- 6.16 Township of Guelph Eramosa resolution regarding MFIPPA Reform
- 6.17 Township of Perry Resolution of Support regarding prioritization of Childcare as part of Post Pandemic Recovery Plan
- 6.18 Township of Perth South letter regarding Conservation Authority Working Group Composition Concerns
- 6.19 Municipality of West Grey Resolution regarding Repeal of Schedule 8 of Bill 229
- 6.20 Conservation Authorities Act Updated FAQ
- 6.21 Township of Terrace Bay Resolution regarding Tax Rate for Railway Rights
- 6.22 New federal investments in rural transportation Communique
- 6.23 Town of Orangeville Resolution regarding Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- 6.24 City of Port Colborne resolution regarding Ontario Fire College Closure
- 6.25 Township of The Archipelago resolution regarding Ontario Fire College - Planned Closure
- 6.26 Wellington County Training Officer - Regional Training Centre Information

Resolution No. 2021-050:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That the Consent Agenda items with the exception of items 6.1.1, 6.14, 6.16, 6.25, 6.26 listed for MARCH 3, 2021 Council meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-051:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.1.1 listed for MARCH 3, 2021 Council meeting be received for information; and
That staff include the County SWIFT presentation as part of the February 10, 2021 Council meeting minutes on the Township website.**

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-052:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.14 listed for MARCH 3, 2021 Council meeting be received;
and**

That Council provide staff with additional comments relating to the MTO Morrison By-pass project; and

That staff compile the comments, including previous resolutions of Council that have not yet been addressed, and provide to the MTO as part of the Public Information Centre; and

That staff request that the MTO deliver a presentation to Puslinch Council before the next Public Information Centre to follow up on the outstand concerns.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-053:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.16 listed for MARCH 3, 2021 Council meeting be received;
and**

That Council direct staff to forward a support resolution to Guelph Eramosa Township.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-054:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That the Consent Agenda items 6.25 and 6.26 listed for MARCH 3, 2021 Council meeting be received for information; and

That Council supports the resolution prepared by the Town of Gravenhurst and that the support resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario.

CARRIED

7. DELEGATIONS:

7.1 None

8. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

8.1 None

9. REPORTS:

9.1 Puslinch Fire and Rescue Services

9.1.1 None

9.2 Finance Department

9.2.1 Township of Puslinch Audit Planning Report, prepared by BDO Canada

Resolution No. 2021-055:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Township of Puslinch Audit Planning Report, prepared by BDO Canada be received for information.

CARRIED

9.3 Administration Department

9.3.1 Report ADM-2021-011 Proposed Kennel Licensing By-law Third Draft

Resolution No. 2021-056:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report ADM-2021-011 Proposed Kennel Licensing By-law - Third Draft be received for information; and

That staff bring forward a final By-law for Council approval at the March 24, 2021 Council meeting.

CARRIED

9.3.2 Report ADM-2021-012 Proposed Council Meeting Schedule

Resolution No. 2021-057:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report ADM-2021-012 Proposed Council Meeting Schedule be received; and

That Council approve the amended Council & Committee Meeting Schedule for 2021, attached to this Report as Appendix A.

CARRIED

9.3.3 Report REC-2021-001 Proposed Goals and Objectives for the Recreation Committee

Resolution No. 2021-058:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

THAT Report REC-2021-001, regarding the Recreation Committee Proposed Goals and Objectives for 2021-2022 brought forward by the Recreation Committee, be received; and

That the Proposed Goals and Objectives as presented be endorsed by Council subject to further information being provided by the Recreation Committee on initiatives with budget implications.

CARRIED

9.4 Planning and Building Department

9.4.1 County of Wellington Planning Recommendation Report – Housekeeping Zoning Amendment - Kennels

Resolution No. 2021-059:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the County of Wellington Planning Recommendation Report be received; and

That Council give 3 readings to By-law 2021-018 being a By-law to amend the Township of Puslinch Zoning By-law, as amended.

CARRIED

Council recessed from 12:12pm to 12:32pm

Roll Call

**Councillor Goyda
Councillor Sepulis
Councillor Bailey
Councillor Bulmer
Mayor Seeley**

9.5 Emergency Management

9.5.1 None

9.6 Roads and Parks Department

9.6.1 None

9.7 Recreation Department

9.7.1 None

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

10.1 Municipal Notification Letter - February 17 2021 Consulting on growing the size of the Greenbelt

Resolution No. 2021-060:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.1 regarding Consulting on growing the size of the Greenbelt; and

That Council give consideration to the comprehensive response on the proposed changes to the Greenbelt prepared by County Planning staff at the March 24 Council meeting.

CARRIED

10.2 Letter regarding concerns in Arkell, prepared by Bruce Taylor

Resolution No. 2021-061:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council receive the Letter regarding concerns in Arkell, prepared by Bruce Taylor; and

That staff review the issues contained in the letter and liaise with the appropriate staff at the City of Guelph, and any other authorities that are appropriate, to identify potential solutions; and

That the CAO, at his discretion, request that the Mayor to attend meetings as required.

CARRIED

11. COUNCIL REPORTS:

11.1 Mayor' Updates

11.1.1 Mayor Seeley remarked on the recent TAPMO meeting and provided an update on the Public Relations initiative that they are currently undertaking.

11.2 Council Member Reports

11.2.1 Councillor Sepulis provided an update on the Green Legacy Program and that trees can be ordered online and home deliveries will take place in April and May. Information is available at their website www.greenlegacy.ca

Resolution No. 2021-062:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Council receive the Mayor's update and Council member reports for information.

CARRIED

12. BY-LAWS:



12.1 BL2021-018 Being a By-law to amend the Township of puslinch Zoning By-law 023/18, as amended.

Resolution No. 2021-063: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the following By-laws be taken as read three times and finally passed in open Council:

12.1 BL2021-018 Being a By-law to amend the Township of Puslinch Zoning By-law 023/18, as amended.

CARRIED

13. CLOSED SESSION:

Council was in closed session from 12:02 p.m. to 1:33 p.m.

The Clerk stopped the recording and removed all public attendees from the webinar. The webinar was then 'locked' so no new participants are able to join.

Resolution No. 2021-064: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council shall go into closed session under Section 239 of the Municipal Act for the purpose of:

13.1 Adoption and receipt of Minutes of the previous Closed Meeting

13.1.1 December 2, 2020 Closed Meeting

13.2 Confidential Verbal report from Glenn Schwendinger, CAO, regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Site Alteration By-law.

13.3 Confidential report from Peter Pickfield, Garrod Pickfield LLP, regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Site Alteration Agreement

13.4 Confidential report from Gerald Moore, Deputy Chief Building Official, litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – Fill importation

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-065: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

THAT Council moves into open session at 1:33 p.m.

CARRIED

Council resumed into open session at 1:33 p.m.

Resolution No. 2021-066: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Council receives the:

13.1 Adoption and receipt of Minutes of the previous Closed Meeting

13.1.1 December 2, 2020 Closed Meeting

13.2 Confidential Verbal report from Glenn Schwendinger, CAO, regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Site Alteration By-law.

13.3 Confidential report from Peter Pickfield, Garrod Pickfield LLP, regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Site Alteration Agreement

13.4 Confidential report from Gerald Moore, Deputy Chief Building Official, litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – Fill importation; and

That staff proceed as directed relating to items 13.1, 13.3, 13.4; and

That Council give 3 readings to By-law 2021-020 being a By-law to consolidate the various amendments previously passed by Puslinch Council to the Township Site Alteration By-law 31/12.

CARRIED

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION:

Resolution No. 2021-067: Moved by Councillor and
Seconded by Councillor

That the following By-law be taken as read three times and finally passed in open Council:

12.1 BL2021-020 being a By-law to consolidate the various amendments previously passed by Puslinch Council to the Township Site Alteration By-law 31/12.

CARRIED

15. NOTICE OF MOTION: None

16. NEW BUSINESS: None

17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

17.1 2021 Senior of the Year Award Nominations are open now with a deadline to submit nominations to the Township of April 12, 2021. The deadline for municipalities to submit nominations to the Ministry is April 30, 2021.

17.2 COVID-19 vaccinations registration is now available for seniors.

18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:

(a) By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch

Resolution No. 2021-068: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the following By-law be taken as read three times and finally passed in open Council:

By-Law 2021-019 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch at its meeting held on the 3 day of March 2021.

CARRIED

19. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution No. 2021-069: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council hereby adjourns at 1:41 p.m.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH
MARCH 3, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING
VIRTUAL MEETING BY ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION

CARRIED

James Seeley, Mayor

Courtenay Hoytfox, Clerk