



MINUTES

DATE: March 24, 2021

REGULAR MEETING: 10:00 A.M.

The March 24, 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. 2021-070:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council approves the March 24, 2021 Agenda and Addendums as circulated; and

That Council approves the additions to the agenda as follows:

Report ADM-2021-022 Nestle request to Transfer Site Plan Agreement

CARRIED

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

Councillor Bulmer declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 6.12 as my family operates an agricultural operation in the Township.

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 6.14 although, I do not have a pecuniary interest in receiving the information, I do have a pecuniary interest in relation to any discussion or decisions regarding the position the Township will take as my family owns a restaurant in the Township.

Councillor Bulmer declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 9.3.2 as a family member owns the property at 4422 Wellington Rd 32, which is included in the report.

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 9.3.2 as the property 4726 Watson Rd S is owned by my parents.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

6.1.1 March 3, 2021 Electronic Participation Council Meeting Minutes

6.2 Hamilton Conservation Authority Application for Minister's Exceptions (Chair and Vice-Chair Provisions)

6.3 City of Hamilton Notice of Adoption and Approval of Official Plan Amendments No. 26

6.4 City of Hamilton Notice of Study Commencement regarding Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Master Plans

6.5 Municipality of Leamington resolution of support regarding Save the Ontario Fire College

6.6 Ontario Fire College Training Modernization

6.7 Township of Brock resolution regarding Ontario Fire College

6.8 Township of Adjala-Tosorontio resolution regarding Amending Tile Drainage Installation Act

6.9 Township of Howick resolution regarding Amendment of Tile Drainage Installation Act

6.10 Township of Howick resolution regarding Agricultural Tile Drain Installation Act Amendment

6.11 Municipality of Tweed letter regarding Advocacy Reform of Joint and Several Liability

6.12 Norfolk County letter regarding Carbon Tax on Primary Agriculture Producers

6.13 Region of Niagara resolution regarding amending Bill 197 Economic Recovery Act

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to items 6.14 although, I do not have a pecuniary interest in receiving the information, I do have a pecuniary interest in relation to any discussion or decisions regarding the position the Township will take as my family member runs a restaurant in the Township and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

6.14 Township of Lake of Bays resolution regarding Capacity Limits for Restaurants in Stage 2 under the Reopening Ontario Act, 2020

6.15 Township of South Glengarry resolution regarding Provincial Vaccine Rollout

6.16 Township of Terrace Bay resolution of support regarding Community Safety & Well-Being Extension Request

6.17 Township of Brock resolution regarding Health Canada cannabis enforcement

6.18 Region of Niagara resolution regarding Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

6.19 Township of South Glengarry resolution regarding MFIPPA Reform

6.20 Township of South Glengarry resolution regarding Automatic Speed Enforcement

6.21 Township of The Archipelago resolution regarding Requested Amendments to the Municipal Elections Act

Resolution No. 2021-071:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda items with the exception of items 6.1.1, 6.2 and 6.12 listed for MARCH 24, 2021 Council meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-072:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the Consent Agenda item 6.1.1 listed for MARCH 24, 2021 Council meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-073:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and



Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.2 listed for MARCH 24, 2021 Council meeting be received;
and**

**That the Township of Puslinch make application to the Minister of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks to request exceptions to maintain the current complement of citizen
appointments on the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board.**

CARRIED

Councillor Bulmer declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 6.12 as I operate an agricultural operation in the Township and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

Resolution No. 2021-074:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.12 listed for MARCH 24, 2021 Council meeting be received;
and**

**That Township of Puslinch Council supports the Norfolk County letter regarding Carbon Tax
on Primary Agriculture Producers; and**

Township of Puslinch on the basis that work is done to reduce the carbon footprint.

That a letter of support be forwarded to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

CARRIED

7. DELEGATIONS:

7.1 10:05am Presentation by Mike Marcolongo regarding the Planning Committee Report on the Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt.

Resolution No. 2021-075:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council receives the delegation by Mike Marcolongo regarding the Planning Committee
Report on the Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt for information.**

CARRIED

8. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

8.1 None

9. REPORTS:

9.1 Puslinch Fire and Rescue Services

9.1.1 FIR-2021-001 – AMENDED Cover Report Tender Results - Rescue truck and SCBA

Resolution No. 2021-076:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That Report FIR-2021-001 as AMENDED regarding Fire Department Request for Proposal Results
be received; and**

THAT the Township of Puslinch Council award RFP 2020-003 for a Cab-Over Rescue Truck to Commercial Emergency Equipment (Pierce) based on their proposal in the amount of \$562,593 inclusive of the non-refundable portion of HST; and

THAT the Township of Puslinch Council not award RFP 2020-002 for a Commercial Rescue Truck; and

THAT the Township of Puslinch Council award RFP 2020-004 for Self Contained Breathing Apparatus to A.J Stone Company Limited based on their bid submission of \$231,401 inclusive of the non-refundable portion of HST; and

That Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign the required contract documents.

CARRIED

9.2 Finance Department

9.2.1 None

9.3 Administration Department

9.3.1 Report ADM-2021-015 – Drinking Water System Number 260021034

Resolution No. 2021-077:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report ADM-2021-015 regarding the 2020 Annual Water Report – Drinking Water System Number 260021034 be received; and

That the 2020 Annual Water Report be submitted to the Ministry and the applicable agencies as outlined in Report ADM-2021-015.

CARRIED

Councillor Bulmer declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 9.3.2 as a family member owns the property at 4422 Wellington Rd 32 which is included in the report and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 9.3.2 as the property 4726 Watson Rd S is owned by my parents and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

9.3.2 Report ADM-2021-012 Proposed Puslinch Heritage Registry

Resolution No. 2021-078:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report ADM-2021-016 regarding the Proposed Puslinch Heritage Registry be received; and That staff, together with the Heritage Committee, be directed to initiate consultation with the property owners as identified in Schedule B “Listed Properties”; and

That staff report back to Council after the completion of the public consultation for endorsement and approval of the Puslinch Heritage Registry.

CARRIED

9.3.3 Report ADM-2021-017 Proposed Kennel Licensing By-law – Fourth Draft

Resolution No. 2021-079:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Report ADM-2021-017 Proposed Kennel Licensing By-law - Fourth Draft be received for information; and

That Council give three readings to By-law 2021-024 being a By-law to control, license, register and regulate Dogs and Kennels within the Township of Puslinch and to repeal By-law 8/99 and 33/05.

CARRIED

9.3.4 Report ADM-2021-018 Application for Noise Exemption for Wellington
Common Elements Condo Corp #214

Resolution No. 2021-080:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

**That Council receives report ADM-2021-018 Application for Noise Exemption for Wellington
Common Elements Condo Corp #214, (Mini Lakes); and**

**That Council authorizes an exemption to Section 4 - Prohibitions by Time and Place and
Schedule 2, #1 of By-Law 5001-05 to permit the use of a scare gun to scare away geese at the
Mini Lakes Resident Association for the period of:**

March 25, 2021 to April 15, 2021 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.;
August 31, 2021 to December 31, 2021 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.;

January 1, 2022 to April 15, 2022 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.;
August 31, 2022 to December 31, 2022 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.;

January 1, 2023 to April 15, 2023 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.;
August 31, 2023 to December 31, 2023 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and

**That the exemption be approved for the time period indicated pending that the Township does
not receive any complaints; and**

**That the Migratory Bird Damage or Danger Permit holder be directed to notify the Ontario
Provincial Police of the noise exemption.**

CARRIED

9.3.5 Report ADM-2021-019 Update on August AMO Delegation - Use of Temporary Capital
Surcharges

Resolution No. 2021-081:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That Report ADM-2021-019 regarding the Update on August AMO Delegation- Use of
Temporary Capital Surcharges - Natural Gas Service Extensions be received; and**

**That Council direct staff to forward a letter of thanks to the Minister of Energy, Northern
Development and Mines for approving the request for Temporary Capital Surcharges.**

CARRIED

9.3.6 Report ADM-2021-020 Transportation Master Plan Update

Resolution No. 2021-082:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

THAT Report ADM-2021-020 regarding the Update on the Transportation Master Plan Project be received for information.

CARRIED

9.3.7 Report ADM-2021-021 Parking By-law Amendment

Resolution No. 2021-083:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Report ADM-2021-021 regarding the Proposed Parking Amendments to Parking By-law 5000-05, as amended, be deferred to the April 21, 2021 Council meeting for consideration.

CARRIED

9.3.8 Report ADM-2021-022 Nestle request to Transfer Site Plan Agreement

Resolution No. 2021-084:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

THAT Report ADM-2021-022 regarding the Nestle request to Transfer Site Plan Agreement be received for information; and

That the Mayor be authorized to sign the consent to the assignment of the Site Plan Agreement, dated May 7, 2008, once outstanding items are addressed or secured through means which are acceptable to the municipality including a review of all other agreements applicable to the property; and

If necessary, a Special Council meeting be schedule to address any outstanding items or concerns that may arise.

CARRIED

9.4 Planning and Building Department

9.4.1 Report BLD-2021-001 Fourth Quarter Report for 2020

Resolution No. 2021-085:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Report BLDG-2021-001 with respect to the Building Department Quarterly Update – October to December 2020 be received for information.

CARRIED

9.4.2 County of Wellington Climate Change Mitigation Plan Presentation

Resolution No. 2021-086:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That the County of Wellington Climate Change Mitigation Plan Presentation be received for information.

CARRIED

9.4.3 County Planning Recommendation Report - Cox Construction Holding Provision

Resolution No. 2021-087:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the County Planning Recommendation Report - Cox Construction Holding Provision be received; and

That Council give three readings to By-law 2021-022 being a By-law to amend the Township Zoning By-law, as amended.

CARRIED

9.4.4 County Planning Recommendation Report - Diodoro Amending Zoning By-law

Resolution No. 2021-088:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the County Planning Recommendation Report - Diodoro Amending Zoning By-law be received; and

That Council give three readings to By-law 2021-021 being a By-law to amend the Township Zoning By-law, as amended.

CARRIED

9.4.5 County of Wellington Planning Report - Comments on the Government's Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt

Resolution No. 2021-089:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the County of Wellington Planning Report regarding Comments on the Government's Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt be received; and

Whereas the Province has requested input through ERO 019-316 on the proposal to expand the Greenbelt; and

Whereas the County has provided a report entitled "Comments the Government's Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt" and includes the statement:

"It is our view that adequate provincial legislation and regulatory measures are in place in Wellington to protect the natural heritage features and functions, including moraines, within and beyond the Greenbelt."; and

Whereas currently 23% of Township of Puslinch is within the Greenbelt; and

Whereas the proposed expansion of the Greenbelt into the Township of Puslinch will place an additional 70% of its area into the Greenbelt; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch Council believes that if the proposed Greenbelt expansion plan is implemented the economic growth in the Township of Puslinch will be severely curtailed with the consequence of impacting the Township's sustainability;

Be it resolved that the Township of Puslinch Council Supports entirely the County Planning Report "Comments the Government's Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt" dated March 11, 2021; and

That the Township of Puslinch Council requests the Province to not consider expansion of the Greenbelt into the Township of Puslinch unless the following are addressed:

That lands adjacent to provincial highways, current and future, be designated as future development; and

Notwithstanding policies related to the Natural Heritage System in the Greenbelt Plan, secondary units be permitted subject to the County Official Plan Policies and Municipal Zoning; and

That settlements areas and hamlets be permitted to round out their boundaries as per the Municipal Comprehensive Review being undertaken currently; and

That the Province modifies the definition of “existing” to refer to the date when the proposed expansion of the current Greenbelt proposal is enacted; and

That the Municipal Comprehensive Review process be completed prior to considering the proposed expansion of the Greenbelt; and

That the Natural Heritage System and the Agricultural System mapping through the Municipal Comprehensive Review be refined prior to considering the proposed expansion to the Greenbelt; and

That Township of Puslinch Council requests that below the water table extraction be prohibited in those areas; and

That the existing property tax support programs for lands impacted by the proposed Greenbelt expansion be fully funded by the Province, specifically the Conservation Land Tax Incentive Program, Farm Land Tax Program and the Managed Forest Program; and

That the Township be compensated for the potential loss of growth that has been projected through severances; and

That the above be forwarded to MPP Ted Arnott, AMO, the County of Wellington, Minister Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Finance, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, TAPMO and ROMA for their support.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-090:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

Whereas, the Greenbelt is to protect aggregate resources.

That aggregate operations be assessed fairly to help maintain the financial sustainability of communities within the Greenbelt.

CARRIED

Council recessed from 1:08pm to 1:18pm

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 Review of 2020 Ecological and Aquatic Monitoring Report for the Roszell Pit, prepared by GSW.

Resolution No. 2021-091:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.1 regarding the Review of 2020 Ecological and Aquatic Monitoring Report for the Roszell Pit, prepared by GSW for information; and

That Council direct staff to forward correspondence item 10.1 to the Grand River Conservation Authority to notify of the disturbance to the Main Creek that has resulted in low water levels and may have impacted the movement of trout.

CARRIED

10.2 Review of 2020 Annual Monitoring Report - Aberfoyle Pit No. 2 Dufferin Aggregates, prepared by Harden Environmental March 5, 2021

Resolution No. 2021-092:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.2 regarding the Review of 2020 Annual Monitoring Report - Aberfoyle Pit No. 2 Dufferin Aggregates, prepared by Harden Environmental March 5, 2021; and

That Council direct staff forward correspondence item 10.2 to Dufferin Aggregates requesting a response and that the Province also be copied on this correspondence.

CARRIED

11. COUNCIL REPORTS:

11.1 Mayor' Updates

11.1.1 Mayor Seeley gave Council an update regarding his visit to the Aberfoyle Public School grade 1 class.

11.2 Council Member Reports

11.2.1 Councillor Bailey gave an update that the Puslinch Library will have 2 Conservation Halton passes that can be signed out and allow access to the various parks.

Resolution No. 2021-093:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

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

CARRIED

12. BY-LAWS:

12.1.1 BL2021-021 Being a By-law to amend the Township of puslinch Zoning By-law 023/18, as amended - Diodoro Enterprises Inc. Amending Zoning By-law

12.1.2 BL2021-022 Being a By-law to amend the Township of puslinch Zoning By-law 023/18, as amended – Cox Construction Ltd Holding Zone Provision

12.1.3 BL2021-023 Being By-law to appoint Grant Schwartzentruber as Building Official for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch

12.1.4 BL2021-024 Being a By-law to control, license, register and regulate Dogs and Kennels within the Township of Puslinch and to repeal By-law 08/99 and By-law 33/05

Resolution No. 2021-094: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

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

12.1.1 BL2021-021 Being a By-law to amend the Township of puslinch Zoning By-law 023/18, as amended - Diodoro Enterprises Inc. Amending Zoning By-law

12.1.2 BL2021-022 Being a By-law to amend the Township of puslinch Zoning By-law 023/18, as amended – Cox Construction Ltd Holding Zone Provision

12.1.3 BL2021-023 Being By-law to appoint Grant Schwartzentruber as Building Official for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch

12.1.4 BL2021-024 Being a By-law to control, license, register and regulate Dogs and Kennels within the Township of Puslinch and to repeal By-law 08/99 and By-law 33/05

CARRIED

13. CLOSED SESSION:

Council was in closed session from 2:58 p.m. to 3:28 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. 2021-095: Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

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 March 3, 2020 Closed Meeting

13.2 Confidential report from Kevin Thompson, SV Law, regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – LPAT appeal PL200639



13.3 Confidential report from Lynne Banks, Development and Legislative Coordinator, regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board – Small Road.

13.4 Confidential report from Courtenay Hoytfox, Municipal Clerk, personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – 2021 Volunteer of the Year Nominations.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2021-096: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

THAT Council moves into open session at 3:28pm

CARRIED

Council resumed into open session at 3:28 p.m.

Resolution No. 2021-097: 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 March 3, 2020 Closed Meeting**

13.2 Confidential report from Kevin Thompson, SV Law, regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – LPAT appeal PL200639

13.3 Confidential report from Lynne Banks, Development and Legislative Coordinator, regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board – Small Road.

13.4 Confidential report from Courtenay Hoytfox, Municipal Clerk, personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – 2021 Volunteer of the Year Nominations; and

That staff proceed as directed.

CARRIED

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION:

None

15. NOTICE OF MOTION:

None

16. NEW BUSINESS: None

None

17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:

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



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH
MARCH 24, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING
VIRTUAL MEETING BY ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION

Resolution No. 2021-098:

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 2021-026 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch at its meeting held on the 24 day of March 2021.

CARRIED

19. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution No. 2021-099:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Council hereby adjourns at 3:30 p.m.

CARRIED

James Seeley, Mayor

Courtenay Hoytfox, Clerk