



MINUTES

DATE: May 4, 2022

COUNCIL MEETING: 10:00 A.M.

The May 4, 2022 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. Mike Fowler, Director of Public Works, Parks and Facilities
2. Mary Hasan, Director of Finance/Treasurer
3. Courtenay Hoytfox, Municipal Clerk
4. Jeff Bunn, Deputy Clerk

3. **MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2022-130:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council approves the May 4, 2021 Agenda and Addendum as circulated; and

That Council approves the additions to the agenda as follows:

Consent Item 6.1.5 Questions received from Council seeking additional information and the corresponding responses provided by staff regarding the May 4, 2022 Council agenda; and

Consent Item 6.28 Correspondence received from the City of Guelph regarding the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan

CARRIED

5. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF: *None***

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 7.1 as I am a member of the board of directors for Sunrise and will therefore excuse myself from discussion and decisions as it relates to the site plan agreement.

Councillor Bulmer declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 7.1 as I have agreed to act as an advisor to Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & learning Centre and previous presentation materials have stated that such "Advisors" provide a benefit to Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre. From this, a reasonable person would perceive that I am a "friend" of Sunrise Therapeutic Riding &

Learning Centre. As per the Township Code of Conduct, no member shall make a decision or exercise an official power, duty or function if the member knows or reasonably should know that the action would create an opportunity to advance a private interest of a friend, whether or not the private interest is actually advanced.

Council recessed from 10:05 am to 10:14 am

Roll Call

Councillor Goyda
Councillor Sepulis
Councillor Bailey
Councillor Bulmer
Mayor Seeley

6. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 6.1.1 April 13, 2022 Council Minutes
- 6.1.2 March 8, 2022 Planning and Development Advisory Committee Minutes
- 6.1.3 March 8, 2022 Committee of Adjustment Meeting Minutes
- 6.1.4 January 10, 2022 Heritage Committee Minutes
- 6.1.5 Questions received from Council seeking additional information and the corresponding responses provided by staff regarding the May 4, 2022 Council agenda

6.2 Dufferin Aggregates - Mill Creek Pit License 5738 - Monthly Monitoring Report

6.3 Ministry of Transportation - Temporary Hours of Service Exemption Certificates

6.4 Environmental Registry of Ontario - General Notice of Rabies Research and Control Operations for 2022

6.5 Environmental Registry of Ontario - Ministry of Transportation - Permit for Activities to Achieve an Overall Benefit to a Species

6.6 Canadian Pacific Railway - 2022 Vegetation Control Program

6.7 Town of Cochrane - Year of the Garden 2022 Resolution

6.8 Town of Gravenhurst - Year of the Garden 2022 Resolution

6.9 Township of Zorra - Resolution of Support for Township of Puslinch - New Gravel Licensing

6.10 Municipality of Hastings Highlands - Support Resolution regarding Funding Support for Infrastructure from the Township of Clearview

6.11 Town of Plympton-Wyoming - Resolution of Support for Township of Clearview regarding Funding Support for Infrastructure

6.12 Town of Halton Hills - Resolution - Build It Right the First Time

6.13 Township of Mulmur - More Homes for Everyone Act

6.14 City of St. Catharines - Response to Ontario Housing Affordability Task Force Recommendations

6.15 Municipality of Grey Highlands - Resolution - HST Rebate on New Homes in Ontario

6.16 Town of Gravenhurst - Floating Accommodations

6.17 Township of Zorra - Supports City of Barrie Resolution - Request to the Province to Address Joint and Several Liability

6.18 Township of Alnwick-Halidmand - Resolution - Support City of Barrie Calling for a Plan of Action to Address Joint and Several Liability

6.19 Municipality of Arran-Elderslie - Multi-Municipal Wind Turbine Working Group Regarding Setbacks for Wind Turbines

6.20 Township of Tudor and Cashel - Support Resolution for Township of Limerick Regarding Gypsy Moth Infestations

6.21 Town of Gravenhurst - Russian Sanctions Resolution

6.22 Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks - Regulations and Policy under the Conservation Authorities Act - Phase 2

- 6.23 Township of Lake of Bays - Floating Accommodations
6.24 Environmental Registry of Ontario Notice 019 3437 Conestoga Badger Inc.
6.25 Notification of Application for Permit to Take Water 1000166521 - DECORSO ENTERPRISES LIMITED
6.26 Report to Puslinch Council from the Puslinch Historical Society
6.27 Decision Notice - Proposed Regulation Changes under the Aggregate Resources Act
6.28 Correspondence received from the City of Guelph regarding the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan

Resolution No. 2022-131: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the Consent Agenda items with the exception of items 6.1.1, 6.12, 6.14, 6.24, 6.25, 6.26, 6.27, 6.28 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-132: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the Consent Agenda item 6.1.1 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

That Council direct staff to request that the City of Guelph include an appendix in the Guelph Water Supply Master Plan of all the large water users (above 50,000 L/day) to better inform residents of how water taking in certain areas is being utilized and that the appendix also include how much water is being taken on a daily and on an annual basis.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-133: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda item 6.12 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-134: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.14 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

That Council direct staff to add the proposal to include an Environmental Sustainability Implications section on staff reports to be discussed at the June Council meeting in the staff Service Level Review report.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-135: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That the Consent Agenda item 6.24 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and



That Council direct staff contact the MECP requesting dialogue with respect to this proposal expressing concern with this application being proposed in advance of any approvals for the liquid soil being placed on site; and

That Council direct staff to forward the ERO posting to Wellington Source Water Protection and Harden Environmental for comments; and

That staff include the objection to the proposed application as the current operation does not comply with the Township Zoning By-law.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-136:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the Consent Agenda item 6.25 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

That Council request that the Township Hydrogeologist and Wellington Source Water Protection review the ERO notice and provide comments for Council's review at the May 25 Council meeting.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-137:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda item 6.26 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

That Council request that staff send a thank you letter to the Puslinch Historical Society for their contributions to the community.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-138:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda item 6.27 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

That Council request that staff contact the MNRF inquiring how the pause on Ontario Regulation 406/19 impacts the amendments to the Ontario Regulation 244/97 which take effect July 1, 2022.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2022-139:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.28 listed for MAY 4, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

That Council request that staff forward the City of Guelph's comments to Harden Environmental for consideration and a response; and

That Council request that staff schedule a special meeting of Council to consider Harden's response in order to submit formal comments to the City of Guelph.

CARRIED

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 17.1 as I am a member of the board of directors for Sunrise and will therefore excuse myself from discussion and decisions as it relates to the site plan agreement and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

Councillor Bulmer declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 7.1 as I have agreed to act as an advisor to Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & learning Centre and previous presentation materials have stated that such “Advisors” provide a benefit to Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre. From this, a reasonable person would perceive that I am a “friend” of Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre. As per the Township Code of Conduct, no member shall make a decision or exercise an official power, duty or function if the member knows or reasonably should know that the action would create an opportunity to advance a private interest of a friend, whether or not the private interest is actually advanced and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

7. **DELEGATIONS:**

7.1 10:10 AM Delegation by Ann Caine regarding Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre Site Plan Agreement requirements

Resolution No. 2022-140:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Council receives the Delegation by Ann Caine and Peter Cummins regarding Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre Site Plan Agreement requirements; and

That Council direct staff to report back at the May 25, 2022 Council meeting regarding the request to waive the requirement for securities and the cash in lieu of parkland dedication fee.

CARRIED

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 Report FIN-2022-016 – 2021 Development Charges

Resolution No. 2022-141:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

THAT Report FIN-2022-016 regarding the 2021 Development Charges be received; and

THAT Council accepts the Treasurer’s declaration that the Township is in compliance with section 59.1(1) of the Development Charges Act, 1997.

CARRIED

9.2.2 Report FIN-2022-017 – 2021 Lease Financing Agreement Summary Report

Resolution No. 2022-142:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report FIN-2022-017 regarding the 2021 Lease Financing Agreement Summary Report be received; and

That Council accepts the Treasurer's statement that all lease financing agreements are nonmaterial and have been made in accordance with the Township's Lease Financing Agreement Policy as outlined in Schedule B to Report FIN-2022-017.

CARRIED

9.2.3 Report FIN-2022-018 – Treasurer's Investment Report for 2021

Resolution No. 2022-143:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Report FIN-2022-018 regarding the Treasurer's Investment Report for 2021 be received; and

That Council accepts the Treasurer's statement that based on the information supplied by Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management, the cash and temporary investments held by the Township of Puslinch during the calendar year 2021 were all prescribed in accordance with Section 418 of the Municipal Act, 2001 and were all eligible as outlined in Ontario Regulation 438/97 and that all related transactions in 2021 comply with the investment policies and goals adopted by the Township on August 13, 2014; and

That no changes be made to the Policy at this time.

CARRIED

9.3 Administration Department

9.3.1 Report ADM-2022-025 – Sign Variance Request – Tour de Guelph

Resolution No. 2022-144:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Report ADM-2022-025 entitled Sign Variance Request for Tour de Guelph be received; and

That Council approve the request for relief from the Sign By-law 09/91 to permit the temporary installation of event directional signage for the Tour de Guelph cycling event; and

That Council direct staff to prepare a delegation by-law to delegate authority to staff to approve the temporary installation of event directional signage for cycling events on Township roads.

CARRIED

9.3.2 Report ADM-2022-026 – Sign Variance Request – Ride to Conquer Cancer

Resolution No. 2022-145:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Report ADM-2022-026 entitled Sign Variance Request for the Enbridge Ride to Conquer



Cancer be received; and

That Council approve the request for relief from the Sign By-law 09/91 to permit the temporary installation of event directional signage for the Enbridge Ride to Conquer Cancer cycling event.

CARRIED

9.4 Planning and Building Department

9.4.1 Report PD-2022-001 – Removal of “Subject To Interest” in Property Legal Descriptions Lots 1, 3-9, all inclusive, and 11, Registered Plan 61M-230

Resolution No. 2022-146:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report PD-2022-001 entitled Removal of “Subject To Interest” in Property Legal Descriptions for the properties described as Lots 1, 3-9, all inclusive, and Lot 11, Registered Plan 61M-230 be received; and

That Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute all documents required to enable the amending of the legal descriptions.

CARRIED

9.4.2 Report BLD-2022-002 – Building Department First Quarter Update – January to March 2022

Resolution No. 2022-147:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That Report BLDG-2022-002 entitled Building Department Quarterly Update – January to March 2022 be received for information.

CARRIED

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 Report REC-2022-006 – Alcohol Risk Management Policy

Resolution No. 2022-148:

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

THAT Report REC-2022-006 entitled Alcohol Risk Management Policy be received; and



THAT Council direct staff to report back at a future meeting to address the items discussed by Council; and

THAT Council authorize the security deposit for Puslinch Community Centre rentals to increase to \$750.00.

CARRIED

9.7.2 Report REC-2022-007 - Puslinch Junior Gardeners Club

Resolution No. 2022-149: Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council receive report REC-2022-007 entitled Request to allow the Puslinch Junior Gardeners Club to establish several gardens at the Puslinch Community Centre; and

That Council authorize staff to enter into a facility use agreement with the Puslinch Junior Gardeners Club for the use of the Puslinch Community Centre as outlined in this report.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

10.1 Land Needs Assessment – County of Wellington

Resolution No. 2022-150: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.1 regarding the Land Needs Assessment – County of Wellington for information.

CARRIED

10.2 Bill 109 The More Homes for Everyone Act Slide Deck

Resolution No. 2022-151: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Sepulis Councillor

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.2 regarding Bill 109 The More Homes for Everyone Act Slide Deck for information.

CARRIED

10.3 Mini Lakes Capital Projects March 2022 Update

Resolution No. 2022-152: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.3 regarding the Mini Lakes Capital Projects March 2022 Update for information.

CARRIED

10.4 Verbal Presentation from Steve Thomas, Acting Inspector, Interim Detachment
Commander Wellington County OPP regarding speeding

Resolution No. 2022-153: Moved by Councillor Bailey and



Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.4 regarding the Verbal Presentation from Steve Thomas, Acting Inspector, Interim Detachment Commander Wellington County OPP regarding speeding for information; and

That Council request that a report be provided at a future Council meeting including the statistical information and updates as discussed.

CARRIED

Council recessed from 12:55pm-1:25pm

Roll Call

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

10.5 Roszell Pit Annual 2021 Reports and Peer Reviews

Resolution No. 2022-154:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That Council receive Correspondence item 10.5 regarding the Roszell Pit Annual 2021 Reports and Peer Reviews for information; and

Whereas the pit operator's sub-consultant Golder Associates Limited has identified that the changes in the water level in the wetlands is in part due to the berm and silt barrier at the gravel pit; and

Whereas the Township's ecologist's consultant Aboud & Associates Inc. and hydrogeologist consultant Harden Environmental Services Ltd. have provided reports on the matter; therefore

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch direct staff to forward it's consultants' reports to the pit operator for a response and request the pit operator to develop and implement a plan in conjunction with the GRCA to restore the water level in the wetlands to historical levels; and

Whereas the Township's Hydrogeologist Harden Environmental Services Inc. has questioned the integrity of the hydraulic barrier on several occasions and that satisfactory responses from the operator have not been provided to date;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch request that the pit operator adequately address this concern; and

Whereas the above comment is a concern to the Township of Puslinch, that the operator cease further extraction in pond C until such time that the concerns noted above are resolved; and

Whereas the Township's ecologist's consultant Aboud & Associates Inc. have provided a report reviewing the pit operator's ecological report by their consultant Dance Environmental Inc.; therefore

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch direct staff to forward our consultants' report to the pit operator for a response.

CARRIED

11. COUNCIL REPORTS:

11.1 Mayor' Updates

11.1.1 Mayor Seeley gave an update on the latest TAPMO meeting and notification that was recently circulated regarding aggregate taxation.

11.1.2 Mayor Seeley provided an update on the latest announcement by the Minister on the Highway 6 bypass.

11.2 Council Member Reports

11.2.1 Councillor Sepulis provided an updated on a seminar he attend regarding internet connectivity projects and funding announcements.

Resolution No. 2022-155:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That Council receive the Mayors and Council member updates for information.

CARRIED

12. BY-LAWS:

None

13. CLOSED SESSION:

None

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION:

None

15. NOTICE OF MOTION:

None

16. NEW BUSINESS:

None

17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

17.1 Volunteer of the Year Award 10:05 AM

17.2 Councillor Bailey announced that the Optimist Club, OPP and Safe Communities would be hosting a bike rodeo on May 28, 2022 at 9am-12pm.

17.3 Councillor Bulmer remarked that Saturday May 7, 2022 is the Township cleanup day and wanted to recognize the contributions from the various groups, staff, businesses and individuals that have participated in this event over the years.

18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:

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

Resolution No. 2022-156:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

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



By-Law 2022-017 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch at its meeting held on the 4 day of May 2022.

CARRIED

19. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution No. 2022-157:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Council hereby adjourns at 2:53 p.m.

CARRIED

James Seeley, Mayor

Courtenay Hoytfox, Clerk