



## MINUTES

**DATE:** February 9, 2022

**COUNCIL MEETING:** 10:00 A.M.

The February 9, 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. 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
5. Jeff Bunn, Deputy Clerk
6. Andrew Hartholt, Chief Building Official
7. Mirela Oltean, Deputy Treasurer

3. **MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 2022-036:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council approves the February 9, 2022 Agenda and Addendum as circulated; and**

**That Council approves the addition to the agenda as follows:**

**Consent Agenda Item 6.1.9 Questions received from Council seeking additional information and the corresponding responses provided by staff regarding the February 9, 2022 Council agenda items.**

**CARRIED**

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

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 10.1 due to recommendations provided as it relates to assessment designations of gravel pits and truck fees my comments as it relates to those matter may be interpreted as a pecuniary interest as a family member operates a gravel pit in the Township.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

6.1.1 January 13, 2022 Council Capital and Operating Budget Meeting Minutes

6.1.2 January 19, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

6.1.3 January 19, 2022 Public Information Meeting Minutes

6.1.4 December 7, 2021 Planning and Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

- 6.1.5 December 7, 2021 Committee of Adjustment Meeting Minutes
- 6.1.6 November 4, 2021 Heritage Committee Meeting Minutes
- 6.1.7 October 4, 2021 Heritage Committee Minutes
- 6.1.8 November 24, 2021 Public Meeting Minutes
- 6.2 Monthly Monitoring Report - Mill Creek Pit License 5738
- 6.3 Grand River Conservation Authority - Notification of Budget 2022
- 6.4 Grand River Conservation Authority - Summary of January 28, 2022 General Meeting
- 6.5 Town of Mono and Town of Caledon - Letter to Attorney General Regarding Delays with Provincial Offences Act Cases
- 6.6 City of Brantford - Closing the Revolving Door of Justice Resolution
- 6.7 City of Brantford - Addressing the Revolving Door of Justice - Accountability for Sureties and Swift Justice Resolution
- 6.8 Letter from the Governments of Canada and Ontario - regarding increasing administration payments for Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program Claims
- 6.9 Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks - Regulatory and Policy Proposals under Conservation Authorities Act
- 6.10 Township of Adjala-Tosorontio- Funding Support Request for Rural Municipalities re Bridges and Culverts
- 6.11 County of Wellington Resolution - County Official Plan Amendment 119 Statutory Public Consultation
- 6.12 County of Wellington Resolution - County Official Plan Review - Progress Report Number 5
- 6.13 County of Wellington Resolution - Road MAP Speed Management Guidelines – Community Safety Zones
- 6.14 County of Wellington January 27, 2022 Media Release - County Council Approves Road Master Plan

**Resolution No. 2022-037:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That the Consent Agenda items with the exception of items 6.1.3, 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13 listed for FEBRUARY 9, 2022 Council meeting be received for information.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 2022-038:**

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and  
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.1.3 listed for FEBRUARY 9, 2022 Council meeting be received; and**

**That staff make the correction to the Public Information Minutes as noted.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 2022-039:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.10 listed for FEBRUARY 9, 2022 Council meeting be received; and**

**Whereas, the Council of the Township of Puslinch supports the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio-Funding Support Request for the Federal and Provincial Government to provide more funding to rural municipalities to support infrastructure projects related to major bridge and culvert replacements;**

**Therefore, Council directs staff to forward a support resolution to the Premier of Ontario, Hon. Peter Bethenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance, Hon. Chrystia Freeland, Federal Minister of Finance, AMO, and all Ontario Municipalities.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 2022-040:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.11 listed for FEBRUARY 9, 2022 Council meeting be received for information.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 2022-041:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.13 listed for FEBRUARY 9, 2022 Council meeting be received for information.**

**CARRIED**

**7. DELEGATIONS:**

7.1 10:05am Delegation by Hugh Whiteley regarding item 10.3 City of Guelph response to the Township of Puslinch comments regarding Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan.

**Resolution No. 2022-042:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council receives the Delegation by Hugh Whiteley regarding the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan for information.**

**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 2022-009 2022 Budget – Final

**Resolution No. 2022-043:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That Report FIN-2022-009 regarding the 2022 Budget – Final be received; and**

**That Council give 3 readings to By-law No. 2022-006 being a by-law to adopt the Budget for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch for the year 2022.**

**CARRIED**

9.2.2 Report FIN 2022-008 Ontario Regulation 284/09 – 2022 Budget

**Resolution No. 2022-044:**

Moved by Councillor Bailey and  
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That Report FIN-2022-008 regarding Ontario Regulation 284/09 – 2022 Budget be received; and**

**That Council adopts Report FIN-2022-008 which meets the requirements of Ontario Regulation 284/09 and outlines the preparation of the 2022 Operating and Capital Budgets to a Public Sector Accounting Board compliant format.**



**CARRIED**

9.2.3 Report FIN 2022-006 2021 Completed Capital Projects

**Resolution No. 2022-045:**

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and  
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

**That Report FIN-2022-006 regarding the 2021 Completed Capital Projects be received.**

**CARRIED**

9.2.4 Report FIN 2022-007 Balances in Discretionary and Restricted Reserves

**Resolution No. 2022-046:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Report FIN-2022-007 regarding the Balances in Discretionary and Restricted Reserves be received.**

**CARRIED**

**9.3 Administration Department**

9.3.1 None

**9.4 Planning and Building Department**

9.4.1 None

**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:**

Councillor Goyda declared a potential pecuniary interest related to item 10.1 due to recommendations provided as it relates to assessment designations of gravel pits and truck fees my comments as it relates to those matter may be interpreted as a pecuniary interest as a family member operates a gravel pit in the Township and refrained from discussions and voting on that item.

10.1 Proposed Regulatory Changes under the Aggregate Resources Act Peer Review - REVISED

**Resolution No. 2022-047:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

**That Council receive Schedules "G" and "H" to Correspondence item 10.1 Proposed Regulatory Changes under the Aggregate Resources Act Peer Review – REVISED for information.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 2022-048:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council receives Correspondence item 10.1 regarding the Proposed Regulatory Changes under the Aggregate Resources Act Peer Review – REVISED including schedules “A” to “F”; and**

**That staff prepare Council’s comments for circulation to Council prior to submitting the Township’s formal comments to the Environmental Registry of Ontario by February 24, 2022.**

**CARRIED**

Council recessed from 11:29 am to 11:35 am

**Roll Call**

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

**10.2 Roszell Pit Ecological Annual Report and Peer Review**

10.2.1 2021 Roszell Pit Ecological and Aquatic Monitoring Report prepared by Dance Environmental Inc.

10.2.2 2021 Roszell Pit Ecological and Aquatic Monitoring Report Ecology Peer Review prepared by Aboud and Associates Inc.

**Resolution No. 2022-049:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

**That Council receive Correspondence item 10.2 regarding the Roszell Pit Ecological Annual Report and Peer Review; and**

**That Council direct staff to forward the report to the operator, CBM Aggregates, for a response and that the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry by copied on the correspondence; and**

**That the 2021 Ecological Annual Report be brought back for Council review once the 2021 Ground Water Monitoring Annual Report and peer review is received.**

**CARRIED**

10.3 City of Guelph response to the Township of Puslinch comments regarding Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan dated January 31, 2022

**Resolution No. 2022-050:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That Council receive Correspondence item 10.3 regarding the City of Guelph response to the Township of Puslinch comments regarding Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan; and**

**That Council direct staff to forward this correspondence to Harden Environmental for review and comment; and**

**That Council direct staff to forward a summary of comments to the City of Guelph and request that the City attend a future Puslinch Council meeting to provide a response.**

**CARRIED**

10.4 Support Resolution Request from the Mayor of the Town of Aurora regarding the dissolution of the Ontario Land Tribunal

**Resolution No. 2022-051:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

**That Council receive Correspondence item 10.4 regarding the Support Resolution Request from the Mayor of the Town of Aurora regarding the dissolution of the Ontario Land Tribunal for information.**

**CARRIED**

10.5 Morriston By-Pass Joint Letter of Support

**Resolution No. 2022-052:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

**That Council receive Correspondence item 10.5 regarding the Morriston By-Pass Joint Letter of Support; and**

**That Council request that the Mayor send the support letters to Hon. Ted Arnott and request that he send correspondence to the Minister to respond to the coalition members on the status of the Morriston By-pass and that Council respectfully ask that the Minister .**

**CARRIED**

**11. COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**11.1 Mayor' Updates**

11.1.1 Mayor Seeley gave an update on the upcoming TAPMO meeting; the Mayor provided an updated on an upcoming meeting the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and the Mayor provided an updated on the County Mayors meeting bi-monthly regarding the pandemic.

**11.2 Council Member Reports**

11.2.1 None

**Resolution No. 2022-053:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council receive the Mayors update for information.**

**CARRIED**

**12. BY-LAWS:**

12.1.1 BL2022-006 - Budget for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch for the year 2022

**Resolution No. 2022-054:**

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:**

**12.1.1 BL2022-006 Being A by-law to adopt the Budget for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch for the year 2022.**

**CARRIED**

**13. CLOSED SESSION:**

Council was in closed session from 12:23 p.m. to 1:27 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. 2022-055:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

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

**13.1 Confidential verbal report from Brian Gottheil, Bernardi Human Resource Law LLP, regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Human Resource matter.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 2022-056:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**THAT Council moves into open session at 1:27pm**

**CARRIED**

Council resumed into open session at 1:27 p.m.

**Resolution No. 2022-057:**

Moved by Councillor Bulmer and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council receives the:**

**13.1 Confidential verbal report from Brian Gottheil, Bernardi Human Resource Law LLP, regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Human Resource matter; and**

**That staff proceed as directed.**

**CARRIED**

**14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION:**

None

**15. NOTICE OF MOTION:**

None

**16. NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

17.1 Family Day activities are scheduled for February 21, 2022

**18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW:**

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

**Resolution No. 2022-058:**

Moved by Councillor Goyda and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

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

**By-Law 2022-007 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch at its meeting held on the 9 day of February 2022.**

**CARRIED**



19. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution No. 2022-059:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That Council hereby adjourns at 1:30 p.m.**

**CARRIED**

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James Seeley, Mayor

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Courtenay Hoytfox, Clerk