



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, July 4th, 2023, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry will meet electronically in regular session on the 4th day of July 2023, at 7:30 pm.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Disclosure of recording equipment.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of July 4th, 2023, as circulated.

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3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

4.0 MINUTES

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the June 20th, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as written.

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5.0 ACCOUNTS

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the July 4th accounts in the amount of \$974,414.99.

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6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

None.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.1 CLERK

7.1.1 Health and Safety Excellence Program Update

A report has been prepared by Deputy Clerk Kim Johnston in this regard for the information of Council.

7.2 BY- LAW ENFORCEMENT

7.2.1 By-Law Enforcement Activities – May and June 2023

A report has been prepared by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding by-law enforcement activities for May and June.

7.3 BUILDING

7.3.1 Building Department Activities – May and June 2023

A report has been prepared by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding building department activities for May and June.

7.4 PUBLIC WORKS

7.4.1 Public Works Operation Report

A report has been prepared by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock in this regard.

8.0 **BUSINESS**

8.1 YIELD SIGNS

A report has been prepared by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock in this regard.

9.0 **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Kevin Freiburger

Jamie McCallum

Sharen Zinn

Jodi Snell

Jamie Heffer

10.0 **CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

10.1 Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes

10.2 Maitland Valley Conservation Membership Minutes – May 17, 2023.

10.3 Municipality of Huron East – BMGCC construction Progress report.

10.4 Resolution – Support Resolution – Proposed New Provincial Policy – Municipality of North Perth

10.5 Resolution – Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement – Municipality of North Perth

10.6 Resolution – Vacant Building Official Positions - Municipality of North Perth

10.7 Resolution – Highway Traffic Act Amendments – City of Woodstock

10.8 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

12.0 **BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**

13.0 **CLOSED SESSION**

13.1 Enter closed session.

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session at ___ p.m., with the CAO/Clerk remaining in attendance, for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pursuant to the following sections of the Municipal Act:

Section 239 (2) (f) regarding advice solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Section 239 (2) (k) regarding negotiations to be carried on by the municipality.

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13.2 Return to open session.

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at ____ p.m.

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13.3 Report and Action from Closed Session.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 36-2023, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on July 4th, 2023, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 4th day of July 2023.

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15.0 ADJOURNMENT

*Moved by ~
Seconded by ~*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at ____ pm.

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NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, July 18th, 2023, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, August 8th, 2023, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, September 5th, 2023, 7:30 pm



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, June 20th, 2023, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met electronically in regular session on the 20th day of June 2023, at 7:30 pm.

Council in Attendance

Mayor Jamie Heffer
Deputy Mayor Kevin Freiburger
Councillor Sharen Zinn
Councillor Jodi Snell
Councillor Jamie McCallum

Staff in Attendance

Trevor Hallam CAO/Clerk
Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk Huron County Planner

Others in Attendance

Nancy Bridge Auditor, Seebach and Company
Scott Stephenson The Citizen
Mike Wilson Wingham Advance Times

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Heffer called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Mayor Heffer noted that Mike Wilson and Scott Stephenson would be recording the meeting for the purpose of writing articles.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 154-2023

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of June 20th, 2023, as circulated.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Motion 155-2023

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the June 6th, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as written.

Carried.

5.0 ACCOUNTS

Motion 156-2023

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the June 20th accounts in the amount of \$1,606,668.03

Carried.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

6.1 CONSENT C27-2023 FENTON

A report was presented by Huron County Planner Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk in this regard.

Motion 157-2023

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby recommends that severance application C27-2023 be approved subject to the conditions recommended in the Planner's report.

Carried.

6.1.1 MUNICIPAL AUDIT REPORT 2022

Nancy Bridge of Seebach and Company Chartered Professional Accountants presented the 2022 Financial Statements and Audit Report.

Motion 158-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry accept the 2022 Audit Report and Financial Statements as submitted by Nancy Bridge, Auditor, Seebach and Company Chartered Professional Accountants.

Carried.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.1 CLERK

7.1.1 ACCESSABILITY DESK AUDIT

A report prepared by Deputy Clerk Kim Johnston in this regard was presented by Mr. Hallam for the information of Council.

7.2 TREASURER

7.2.1 ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REPORT

A report prepared by Treasurer Sean Brophy in this regard was presented by Mr. Hallam for the information of Council.

8.0 BUSINESS

None.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Kevin Freiburger

None.

Jamie McCallum

Attended a meeting of the Belmore Arena Board

Sharen Zinn

Attended a meeting and tour with the MVCA Board of various demonstration sites.

Jodi Snell

Attended a Wingham and Listowel Health Alliance Physician Recruitment Committee meeting.

Jamie Heffer

Attended the 50th anniversary of the Brussels Optimist Club.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Monthly Report – Belgrave Water
- 10.2 Minutes – Huron East Recreation Advisory Committee – May 30
- 10.3 Meeting Highlights – AMDSB
- 10.4 Notice – Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance AGM
- 10.5 Notice – Declaration of surplus and intent to dispose of unopened road allowance – Huron East
- 10.6 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

None.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**12.1 DEMOLITION AGREEMENT**

A report was presented by CAO/Clerk Trevor Hallam in this regard.

Motion 159-2023

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 33-2023, being a by-law to authorize an agreement for the demolition of a residence in the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 20th day of June 2023.

Carried.

12.2 DATAFIX VOTER LIST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

At the June 6th meeting of Council staff were directed to return a by-law authorizing the execution of an agreement between the Municipality and Comprint Systems Incorporated for voter list management services. By-Law 34-2023 was provided for consideration.

Motion 160-2023

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 34-2023, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry and Comprint Systems Incorporated for voter list management services, and that it now be read a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 20th day of June 2023.

Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

None.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Motion 161-2023

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 35-2023, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on June 6th, 2023, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 20th day of June 2023.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion 162-2023

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 8:11 pm.

Carried.

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Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam

**Municipality of Morris-Turnberry
Account List for**

July 4 2023

General

Telizon	Long Distance Phone	3.18
Huron Clean	Office Cleaning	373.18
Orkin Canada	Pest Control	115.27
Rebecca Schlosser	Wedding Solemnization	300.00
Aird Berlis LLP	Legal	700.60
MTE Ontario Land Surveyors Ltd	Road Encroachment Correction	8,023.00
Municipality of Huron East	BMG Renovations	469,900.00
Municipality of Huron East	2023 Recreation Levy	90,385.00
Municipality of Huron East	2023 Cemetery Levy	9,771.00
Municipality of Huron East	2023 Fire Levy	101,074.00
Municipality of Huron East	2023 Water & Sewer Charges	78,458.40
Minister of Finance	Policing - May	38,755.00
Public Services Health & Safety Assoc	Health & Safety Program	904.00
Treasurer, County of Huron	MFIPPA Training	254.40
WSIB	WSIB - June	1,104.55
Minister of Finance	EHT - June	766.22

Payroll

June 21 2023	Payroll	20,551.93
	Expenses	264.07
Council Pay	Payroll - June 2023	3,808.92
	Rec General	402.29

General Total 825,915.01

Building Department

WSIB	WSIB - June	263.53
Minister of Finance	EHT - June	165.77

Payroll

June 21 2023	Payroll	5,121.89
	Expenses	-

Building Total 5,551.19

Property Standards

Property Standards Total -

Drainage

Hydro One	Hopper Pump	58.60
Boyd's Farm Supply	2023 CF MOTO ATV	12,715.25

Drainage Total 12,773.85

Parks & Cemeteries

Parks & Cemeteries Total -

Belgrave Water

Veolia Water Canada	May Operations	7,035.22
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Water Total 7,035.22

Landfill

MGM Townsend Tire	01-12 Tractor Repair	306.23
RJ Burnside & Associates	Morris Landfill	15,920.75
AJ Stone Company Ltd	Gas Detector	7,637.99

Landfill Total 23,864.97

Roads

Enbridge	Turnberry Shop	32.36
Sunbelt Rentals	Sidewalk Planer	257.20
Yard Boys Ltd.	Roadside Cutting	11,017.50
Greg Pfaff Services	Chainsaw Operator Course	322.05
Jeffrey Environmental Consultants Inc.	Testing for Road Spill	7,769.88
Joe Kerr Ltd.	Gravel for Road Spill	755.96
Joe Kerr Ltd.	Repairs for 16-05 & 19-06 Tandems	5,845.72
Leslie Motors	Maintenance for 22-14 & 20-20 Pickups	208.00
Strongco	Parts for 06-04 Grader	1,068.62
Pollard Distribution	Dust Control	28,346.14
Custom Tile Cleaning	Black Drain Flushing	395.50
Looby Construction Limited	Smuck Bridge (M230)	13,153.20
WSIB	WSIB - June	1,529.02
Minister of Finance	EHT - June	961.80

Payroll

June 21 2023	Payroll	27,611.80
	Expenses	-

Roads Total **99,274.75**

Account Total **974,414.99**

Approved By Council:

July 4 2023

Mayor - Jamie Heffer

Treasurer- Sean Brophy

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council

PREPARED BY: Kim Johnston, Deputy Clerk

DATE: July 4, 2023

SUBJECT: WSIB Health and Safety Excellence Program Update

RECOMMENDATION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

The WSIB Health and Safety Excellence Program was brought to the attention of Council at the July 19, 2022, council meeting.

WSIB launched its Health and Safety Excellence Program (Excellence Program) in January 2020. Moreover, the program promises to change the way businesses perceive Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) in Ontario. Going forward, businesses in Ontario need not perceive workplace health and safety as a cost. In fact, with the new Health and Safety Excellence Program, health and safety becomes an investment.

Furthermore, the new program will provide Ontario employers with rebates on their WSIB premium based on completion of program requirements.

The Health and Safety Excellence program is to provide a clear roadmap to improve workplace health and safety and receive rebates and recognition for the efforts.

COMMENTS

To date, the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry has completed two(2) topics under the Health and Safety Excellence program. The topics that Morris-Turnberry completed were the Leadership, Commitment, Roles, and Responsibilities policies.

The policies were submitted to Public Services Health and Safety Association (PSHSA) on April 3, 2023.

On April 13, 2023, our PSHSA representative gave notice that the topics were marked complete by WSIB.

On May 8, 2023, the initial rebate of \$2000.00 was deducted on the municipal WSIB Premium statement. On June 9, 2023, the Municipality received a cheque from WSIB for the 'double' rebate of another \$2000.00.

On May 16, 2023, PSHSA approved five(5) more topics to be completed by December 31, 2023 for the double rebate offer. Therefore, if all five (5) topics are completed and approved by WSIB by the end of 2023, the municipality will receive an initial \$5000.00 for the topics completed and an additional \$5000.00 for the double rebate offered.

The Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC) met on June 21, 2023 to review the five topics. The JHSC made the following motion:

Motion 4 – 2023 Moved by Kelly Tiffin Seconded by Nick Campbell

That the Joint Health and Safety Committee adopts the five additional foundational policies of the Health and Safety Excellence Program, for the double rebate, to be completed by December 31, 2023:

1. Health and Safety Communication
2. Health and Safety Participation
3. Injury Illness and Incident Reporting.
4. Incident Investigation and Analysis, and
5. First Aid.

Disposition Carried.

All employees of the Municipality will be trained and evaluated on the topics to ensure that the policies and procedures are living and breathing in the workplace.

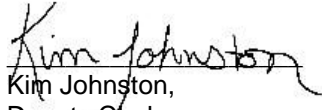
There is no penalty if all five topics are not completed by December 31, 2023.

Topics that cannot be finished by the timeline will be deferred until a later date, with a possibility of only receiving the initial rebate – not the double rebate, unless WSIB continues with this part of the program.

OTHERS CONSULTED

Allison Whyte, Health and Safety consultant with PSHSA
Shelly Hurry, Health and Safety consultant with PSHSA
Trevor Hallam, CAO/Clerk
Joint Health and Safety Committee

Respectfully submitted,


Kim Johnston,
Deputy Clerk

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council

PREPARED BY: Kirk Livingston, Chief Building Official

DATE: June 27, 2023

SUBJECT: Property Standards and By-Law Enforcement Report for May and June 2023

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby receive the Chief Building Officials report on Property Standards & By-Law Enforcement for the months of May and June 2023 as submitted for information purposes.

BACKGROUND

The Building Department's main objective is to provide the best professional service to administer and enforce the Ontario Building Code along with any Municipal By-Laws. Through the examination of plans, issuance of building permits, reviewing bylaws, and performing inspections, we ensure compliance with building standards of the Ontario Building Code and compliance with Municipal By-Laws to ensure health and safety, fire protection and structural sufficiency in all buildings in the Municipality.

The findings outlined below provided by Bruce Brockelbank, Property Standards and By-Law Enforcement Officer.

COMMENTS

By-law Enforcement – New Complaints

- Mary St – I received a complaint about dogs running at large from a property and that they are aggressive.
- Williams Street – I received a complaint about a dog barking excessively at the property.
- Queen St – I received a complaint about a building in disrepair, windows broken, roof needing repair and brick work.
- London Road – I received a complaint that there could be homeless people living in the storage units.
- London Road – I received a complaint about a possible issue with a septic system at the property.
- Josephine St – I received a complaint about long grass at the property.

Outstanding Files and Ongoing Investigations

- Blyth Road - I have sent out property standards order to the owner of the property with a June 23rd deadline. I have reinspected the property and will be sending the order off to our lawyer to have the courts issue a cleanup order.
- Blyth Road - I have sent out property standards order to the owner of the property with a June 23rd deadline. I have reinspected the property and will be sending the order off to our lawyer to have the courts issue a cleanup order.
- Brussels Line – I have sent out property standards order to the owner of the property with a June 23rd deadline. I was contacted by the owner and asked if she could still appeal the property standards order; she was a day late. I told her she needed to send in the appeal to the Municipality. As of this report the appeal has not been received. I have reinspected the property and will be sending the order off to our lawyer to have the courts issue a cleanup order.

- William St – I attended the property to talk to the owner of the property, but the owner was not home at the time. Kirk was in the area a few days later so he stopped and talked to the owner about leaving the dog outside allowing it to bark excessively. I have not had anymore calls about the dog barking.
- Mary St – I will be attending the property and charging the owner for dogs running at large and for having too many dogs at the property. The owner has been previously informed about having too many dogs and was going to remove one dog but has not done so. There was also an incident involving two dogs chasing people on the road.
- Williams St – Kirk and I attended the property and inspected for a sump pump discharge onto another property. We talked to the owner of the property, and he indicated the property owner has moved the sump discharge but there needs to be a permanent solution to the issue. Kirk was going to talk to the roads department to enquire about drainage outlets in the area and come up with a solution.
- Queen St – I have inspected the property and at that time took pictures of the building. I also sent property standards order to the owner of the property. I will reinspect the property when the order has been confirmed.
- London Road – I attended the property and talked to an employee about people living in the storage units. He indicated that there were people living in a few units and walked out to the units with me. At the time there was a lady in one unit, and she admitted to staying overnight but doesn't live there. I explained to her the units are for storage and not human habitation. There was a bunch of items outside the units at that time. I left my card with the employee and told him I would be back to talk to the owner. I attended and talked to the owner about people living in the storage units and he said nobody was living in the units. I told him the last time I was here a lady admitted to staying over night. He said it was not allowed and he would talk to the lady about the issue. I also told him to clean up all the items outside as storage is to be inside the building. When I was leaving, I told him if I hear of more complaints about people living in the units I would be back to deal with the issue.
- London Road – I attended and inspected and found some evidence of a possible septic issue. I contacted Kirk and he was going to go do a more thorough inspection of the system.
- Josephine St – I inspected the property and have sent out a clean yard order out to the property owner I will reinspect in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,



Kirk Livingston
Chief Building Official

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council

PREPARED BY: Kirk Livingston, Chief Building Official

DATE: June 29, 2023

SUBJECT: Building Department Activity Report for May and June 2023

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris Turnberry hereby receive the Building Department Activity Report for May and June 2023, for information purposes.

BACKGROUND

The Building Departments main objective is to provide the best professional service to administer and enforce the Ontario Building Code. Through the examination of plans, issuance of building permits, and performing inspections, we ensure compliance with building standards of the Ontario Building Code and ensure health and safety, fire protection and structural sufficiency in all buildings in which we live, work and play.

The Chief Building Official provides bi-monthly updates to Council on the operations of the Building Department.

COMMENTS

Permit #	Permit Type	Value of Project	Sq. Feet New Const.	Status
0027 -2023	Residential Addition	\$ 60,000.00	988	issued
0028 -2023	Agricultural Storage Shed	\$ 20,000.00	3840	issued
0029 -2023	Accessory Building	\$ 30,000.00	900	issued
0030 -2023	Tent	\$ 3,000.00	4000	issued
0031 -2023	Residential Addition	\$ 25,000.00	313	issued
0032 -2023	Industrial Structure	\$ 20,000.00	1252	issued
0033 -2023	Commercial Addition	\$ 4,000.00	760	issued
0034 -2023	Plumbing	\$ 10,000.00	200	issued
0035 -2023	Residential Addition	\$ 30,000.00	570	issued
0036 -2023	Residential Addition	\$ 40,000.00	712	issued
0037 -2023	Agricultural Livestock Barn	\$ 50,000.00	3900	issued
0038 -2023	Attached Garage	\$ 150,000.00	1330	issued
0039 -2023	On Site Sewage System	\$ 10,000.00	60	issued
0040 -2023	Tent	\$ 9,000.00	5554	issued
0041 -2023	Accessory Building	\$ 35,000.00	528	issued
0042 -2023	Silo	\$ 8,000.00	153	issued
0043 -2023	New Residential Dwelling	\$ 500,000.00	2761	issued
0044 -2023	Steel Grain Bin	\$ 64,000.00	855	issued
0045 -2023	New Residential Dwelling	\$ 1,000,000.00	4016	issued
0046 -2023	Agricultural Storage Shed	\$ 49,000.00	4320	issued
0047 -2023	Demolition	\$ 1,000.00	0	issued

Total Value of Construction to date: \$7,585,400.00 with 47 building permits being issued
(Last year; \$11,180,078.50 with 76 building permits being issued)

Zoning Certificates issued for this year; 17 (Last year 26)

Respectfully submitted,



Kirk Livingston
Chief Building Official

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council
PREPARED BY: Mike Alcock, Director of Public Works
DATE: July 4th, 2023
SUBJECT: Operations Report

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry receive the Public Works Operations Report.

For Information Purposes Only

BACKGROUND

This report is intended to provide Council with an outline of Public Works Staff operations:

- Routine Road Patrols are being completed as scheduled and / or as required.
- Maintenance Gravel has been completed on Morris-Turnberry Roads
- All Dust control has been completed on Morris-Turnberry roads and it is performing well.
- Our summer students have been working hard maintaining our parks and cemeteries and preparing flower beds for the summer.
- The students are also line trimming around guiderails as needed.
- Shop maintenance and vehicle maintenance is being completed as time permits and as required.
- Public Works staff continue cutting trees that pose a hazard when time permits.
- Public works staff continue cutting brush in the R.O.W. with the Brush cutter.
- Stumps grinding and rehab continues.
- The new mower which was previously approved by Council has been delivered.
- Paving on Clyde Line from Moncrieff Road to St. Michaels Road has been completed. Clyde Line is now asphalt for the entire length.
- Shoulder gravel along the new asphalt has been completed.
- Roadside vegetation management for Chervil and noxious weeds has been completed.
- There was a spill on Brandon Road east and west of Clyde Line on Thursday April 13, 2023. The spills reporting center was contacted and an environmental engineer engaged to assist with the cleanup. The spill was determined to be liquid fertilizer which prompted the subsequent cleanup. The impacted soils were removed and replaced with non-contaminated soil and the requisite reports were prepared for the Ministry.
- Final cover has been placed on the Interim Stage I / II Area at the Morris Landfill.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Alcock,
Director of Public Works



Report to the Council on July 4th, 2023

Subject: Yield Signs vs Stop Signs

Presented by: Mike Alcock

- **Recommendation:** That the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry receive this Report for information and discussion purposes.

Background:

Recently a request for discussion regarding yield signs was brought to the attention of the Municipality. Specifically, the request was with regard to some intersections in Belgrave, but for the purposes of this report it applies to all of the intersections in Morris-Turnberry.

Executive Summary:

The Ontario Traffic Manual (OTM) Book 5 describes the purpose of a yield sign as a sign to regulate right-of-way control. The OTM further states that a yield sign can be an effective control device at intersections...if it is found that:

- The normal right-of-way rule does not provide safe, convenient, and efficient traffic movement; and
- A stop regulation is too restrictive.

The legal implication of a yield sign is that you must yield the right of way at an intersection to oncoming vehicles on the priority (cross) road. In reality this means if you were to get in a collision and you had a yield sign, then you are at fault. On the other hand, you will not be charged if you fail to stop, or you perform "a rolling stop" as long as you don't have a collision.

Certain criteria should be met for the use of Yield signs such as sufficient sight distance. In many locations where the Municipality has yield signs there is sufficient sight distance, however in urban areas stopped and parked vehicles can often impede these sight lines. In rural areas, conditions such as crops, vehicles and equipment can impede sight lines. Crops such as corn grow much higher than other crops and may only impede sight lines on years where corn or another tall crop is in rotation.

Yield signs are becoming rarer due to the factors listed above and the fact that they do not establish right-of-way as clearly as other traffic control devices such as stop signs.

Certain circumstances exist where the preference is for traffic to not stop. These locations are appropriate for the use of yield signs. Examples of this are at round-a-bouts, on entrance ramps and at channelized right turn lanes with the latter 2 having acceleration lanes too short for vehicles to attain road speed.

Comments:

In addition to the above, it can be difficult for the driver of a vehicle to fully comprehend everything that is involved at an intersection when they are not required to stop. This includes observing reacting and yielding the right of way to pedestrians, especially in urban areas when you are also focusing on ensuring the priority road is safe to cross while driving through an intersection without stopping.

The Municipality in general uses what is known as a through highways by-law. This type of by-law identifies which roads have the right-of-way instead of identifying the locations of stop and yield signs. Since the Municipality used this type of By-law which permits stop or yield signs on roads crossing through roads, a new by-law to authorize the use of stop signs where yield signs currently exist is not necessary.

A new by-law is not immediately required for the installation of stop signs at yield sign locations. Existing By-laws were reviewed to confirm this. The Municipality has through road by-laws for Morris and Turnberry Townships as well as dozens of amending by-laws and stand-alone by-laws relating to right-of-way control in both Morris-Turnberry and each of the pre-amalgamation municipalities. During the review of the existing by-laws it was concluded that the Municipality would benefit from a consolidated through road by-law which would eliminate all other right-of-way by-laws.

The Municipality of Morris Turnberry has approximately 30 yield signs in service. Replacement stop signs are approximately \$90 each. Stop signs could be placed on the same signposts that the yield signs are currently.

Budget:

In itself there is no recommendation to this report, but if Council chooses to replace yield signs in Morris-Turnberry with stop signs the total external costs would be approximately \$2,700. There should be no costs for signposts at this point and all work would be completed by Municipal employees. The Morris-Turnberry Public Works Budget has sufficient funds to implement this change.

Thank you.



Mike Alcock, Director of Public Works

"ANY MINUTES POSTED BEFORE APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE
ARE ONLY DRAFT MINUTES!!!"

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date –June 21, 2023 Time 9:00am Place- Council room – 41342 Morris Road

Minutes

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Trevor Hallam at 9:10am with all members in attendance, except Mike Alcock who was absent.

2. **In attendance:**

Trevor Hallam
Nick Campbell
Kim Johnston
Kelly Tiffin

Mike Alcock Absent

Others in attendance:

No others in attendance.

3. **Minutes of the last meeting:**

The Minutes from March 22, 2023 were reviewed.

Motion 3 – 2023 Moved by: Nick Campbell Seconded by: Kelly Tiffin

“That the minutes of the March 22, 2023 Joint Health and Safety Committee Meeting be adopted as circulated.”

Disposition Carried.

4. **Unfinished Business:**

1. Health and Safety Excellence Program Update

Review the following Policies and Procedures:

1. Health and Safety Communication
2. Health and Safety Participation
3. Injury Illness and Incident Reporting.
4. Incident Investigation and Analysis, and
5. First Aid.

The members reviewed the policies and suggested ways to communicate and evaluate the policies and procedures.

Communicate - Annual Health and Safety Meeting with all employees,
- Safety Talks/Tailgate talks

Evaluate - Health and Safety inspections,
- Methods to promote Participation.

Motion 4 – 2023 Moved by Kelly Tiffin Seconded by Nick Campbell

That the Joint Health and Safety Committee adopts the five additional foundational policies of the Health and Safety Excellence Program, for the double rebate, to be completed by December 31, 2023:

1. Health and Safety Communication
2. Health and Safety Participation
3. Injury Illness and Incident Reporting.
4. Incident Investigation and Analysis, and
5. First Aid.

Disposition Carried.

5. **Regular Reports:**

Workplace Inspections April and May, 2023 were reviewed
No Concerns.

The inspections were set for June, July and August 2023.

6. New Business:

No new business to present

7. Old Business:

Kim Johnston updated the JHSC on First Aid and CPR Training and WHMIS Training. All employees who require First Aid and CPR certification in 2023 have been booked and/or completed to date. All employees have completed WHMIS training, except for two employees, who will have it completed by the end of June, 2023.

8. Date of Next meeting – The next meeting is tentatively booked for September 6, 2023 at 9:00am.

9. Adjournment

“That the Joint Health and Safety Committee meeting be adjourned at 9:22am.”

Trevor Hallam, Chairperson

Membership Meeting #6-2023

May 17, 2023

Members Present: Alison Lobb, Andrew Fournier, Ed McGugan,
Alvin McLellan, Matt Duncan, Anita van Hittersum,
Sharen Zinn, Ed Podniewicz, Megan Gibson, Myles Murdock

Members Absent: Evan Hickey

Staff Present: Phil Beard, General Manager-Secretary-Treasurer
Stewart Lockie, Conservation Areas Coordinator
Jeff Winzenried, Flood Forecasting Supervisor
Jayne Thompson, Communications-IT-GIS Coordinator

Others Present: Cory Bilyea, Wingham Advance Times

1. Call to Order

Chair Duncan welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. and reviewed the meeting objectives.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no pecuniary interests at this time.

3. Minutes

The minutes from the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) General Membership Meeting #5-2023 held on April 19, 2023 have been circulated for information and approval. The Members agreed with the minutes and the following motion was made.

Motion FA #45-23

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Alvin McLellan

THAT the minutes from the General Membership Meeting #5-2023 held on April 19, 2023 be approved.
(carried)

4. Business out of the Minutes:

- a) Proposed Schedule for Information Sessions: Report #30-2023

Report #30-2023 was presented to the members and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #46-23

Moved by: Megan Gibson

Seconded by: Sharen Zinn

THAT the proposed schedule for information sessions and tours be adopted.
(carried)

5. Presentation to Dave Turton, Retiring Director

Chair, Duncan made a presentation to Dave Turton on behalf of all the Members and thanked him for all his years of service with MVCA.

6. Business Requiring Decision and or Direction:

- a) McGuffin Gully Engineering Assessment: Report #31-2023

Report #31-2023 was presented and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #47-23

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Alvin McLellan

THAT staff enter into discussion with the landowners on both options.
(carried)

- b) Leasing of Galbraith Conservation Area-Municipality of North Perth: Report #32-2023

Report #32-23 was presented and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #48-23

Moved by: Ed McGugan

Seconded by: Andrew Fournier

THAT the Members approve entering into a lease agreement for the Galbraith Conservation Area with the Municipality of North Perth.
(carried)

7. Closed Session-Property Matter

Motion FA #49-23

Moved by: Anita van Hittersum

Seconded by: Megan Gibson

THAT the members move into closed session.
(carried)

Motion FA #50-23

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Sharen Zinn

THAT the members move out of the closed session and back into full authority meeting.
(carried)

8. Chair and Members Reports:

Megan Gibson reported that Howick Council has agreed to sign the grass cutting agreement for the Gorrie Conservation Area for 2023 but they would like to renegotiate the agreement for 2024.

Alison Lobb reported that the JHETF plant sale raised \$4400.

9. Consent Agenda:

The following item was circulated to the Members for their information.

- a) Revenue-Expenditure Reports for April: Report #33-2023

The following motion was made:

Motion FA #51-23

Moved by: Anita van Hittersum

Seconded by: Megan Gibson

THAT Report #33-2023 along with its respective recommended motion as outlined in the Consent Agenda be approved.
(carried)

10. **Adjournment: Next meeting: June 21, 2023, at 7:00 pm.**

Motion FA #52-23

Moved by: Ed McGugan

Seconded by: Andrew Fournier

THAT the Members Meeting be adjourned at 8:10pm.



Matt Duncan
Chair

Phil Beard
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

Huron East Administration

To: Mayor MacLellan and Members of Council

From: Brad McRoberts, MPA, P. Eng.

Date: July 4, 2023

Subject: BMGCC Renovation Update #2

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Huron East receive for information purposes.

Background:

The Brussels, Morris & Grey Community Centre Renovation project has been underway since fall of 2022. The following provides a summary of the status of the project from both a construction standpoint and from a financial standpoint as of June 27, 2023 and provides an update from the previous report provided April 4, 2023.

The project continues to be posed with unforeseen challenges due to either unknown and undocumented existing conditions or unknown and undocumented construction methods used in the existing structure. While these circumstances continue the magnitude cost of the required change orders has decreased.

Issues

The following provides a highlight of the key issues that have arisen between March 27, 2023 and June 27, 2023 during the process of construction:

1. Additional upper wall stabilization on the east gable end similar to the previous south wall – Cost \$19,628.10;
2. Upon the process of work it was discovered that the Auditorium upper ceiling area lack necessary fire proofing – Cost \$8,032.50;
3. Upon opening existing under slab sanitary drain plumbing an excessive amount of grease build up in the lines was encountered and had to be removed and flushed – Cost \$5,154.60;

Staff are still working with the project engineer on assessment of the long-term stability of the upper wall on the west gable end. The north side upper wall is not a concern as its construction was of a different form.

Schedule

While the project continues to be delayed due to the unforeseen existing conditions noted above the contractor is now targeting the end of October 2023 for the completion of work. As the building is substantially enclosed work is progressing better. Work on

the kitchen and existing lobby area is underway as per the original schedule as it fits into the reduced need for access to the dressing rooms and ice surface at this time of year.

Others Consulted: Elgin Contracting, architect and engineering consultants, building sub-committees members, BMGCC Recreation Manager, CBO, and Building Inspector.

Financial Impacts: Based upon approved and pending change orders to date the \$280,000 contingency for the project has been fully depleted. Approved change orders to date total \$347,360.

We still have fixtures, furnishings and equipment (FFE) to account for that are not included in the original tender. Items that would be included in this consist of seating for the warm viewing area (included in the above total cost), furniture, tables and seats for the lobby, equipment for the concession, etc. While generally minor these will need to be acquired on or before the project is operational.

Fortunately, the fundraising campaign was successful and portions of those funds will need to be used to offset change orders and FFE purchases above the original contingency fund. The total pledged through the fundraising campaign has exceeded \$2.5 M which is more than \$500,000 above than the original commitment of \$2,000,000 (less fundraising costs).

The project at this point has been cash flowed using working capital. Staff are in the process of securing a construction loan from Infrastructure Ontario to replenish the working capital fund. This construction loan will be transferred to a debenture once the project is completed. Staff have submitted progress claims with the Province as part of the grant funding and those transfer payments are still pending.

Signatures:

Brad McRoberts (Original signed)

Brad McRoberts, MPA, P. Eng.
CAO



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June 26, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford
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Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

RE: Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement (PPS)

Plensed be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held May 15, 2023 in support of the resolution from the County of Prince Edward regarding the proposed new Provincial Policy Statement (PPS):

Moved by Councillor Rothwell **Seconded by** Councillor Johnston

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth supports the resolution received from the County of Prince Edward;

AND THAT: This resolution be sent to all municipalities in Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Minister of Environment, Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rae, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

CARRIED

Attached please find a copy of the County of Prince Edward's resolution dated May 10, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at lcline@northperth.ca.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Cline,
Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor
Municipality of North Perth

cc.

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Hon. David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and

Parks Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rea

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

All Ontario Municipalities

May 10, 2023

Please be advised that during the Regular Council meeting of May 9, 2023 the following resolution regarding the proposed new Provincial Planning Statement (PPS) was carried:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-293

DATE: **May 9, 2023**

MOVED BY: **Councillor Hirsch**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor MacNaughton**

WHEREAS the goal of increasing housing supply and reducing barriers in planning processes as set out in the recent legislative, regulatory and policy changes, including new provisions from Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 is welcomed;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS (sections 2.6 and 4.3) would dramatically remove municipal power and renders aspects of the County's Official Plan, and other official plans throughout Ontario inoperative, terminating some local planning autonomy, and directly interfering with municipalities' ability to meet local variation and unique community needs;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes that would allow proliferation of lots with protection restricted to specialty crop areas only diminishes the purpose, uses, and integrity of rural and agricultural lands, thereby removing protection and restricting future uses of those lands;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes encourage sprawl and rural roadway strip development, rather than more fiscally and environmentally sustainable practices like intensification in established settlement areas; and

WHEREAS the province has announced changes will be proposed to natural heritage (section 4.1) that have yet to be published;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward urges the province to:

- pause proposed changes to the PPS, particularly regarding natural heritage (section 4.1) and agricultural lands (sections 2.6 and 4.3)

- reinvest trust in the local planning authority of all 444 municipalities, recognizing that each Ontario municipality has unique landscapes, different housing needs and differing visions for local planning matters;

THAT our fellow municipalities be urged to voice their concerns regarding the proposed undermining of local planning authority;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all 444 municipalities, The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Hon. Lisa Thompson, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Bay of Quinte MPP, Todd Smith, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus.

CARRIED

Yours truly,



Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Ferguson, Councillor Hirsch, Councillor MacNaughton & Marcia Wallace, CAO





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RE: Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement (PPS)

Pls be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held June 5, 2023 regarding the proposed new Provincial Policy Statement (PPS):

Moved by Councillor Rothwell **Seconded by** Councillor Blazek

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth supports consent agenda items 3.3 *Perth County Report – Perth County Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813*, 3.4 *Perth County Report – Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023 and Draft Provincial Planning Statement April 6, 2023)*, and 3.17 *United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Resolution re: Proposed Changes to the PPS*;

AND THAT: A copy of this resolution be sent to all 444 municipalities, The Hon. Doug Ford – Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Hon. Lisa Thompson – Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini – Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Perth-Wellington MPP – Matthew Rae, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association.

CARRIED

Attached please find a copy of Perth County Reports – Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813 and Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023, and United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Resolution, dated May 15, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at lcline@northperth.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lindsay Cline". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lindsay Cline,
Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor
Municipality of North Perth

cc.

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Hon. David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and
Parks Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rea
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
All Ontario Municipalities

To: Warden Ehgoetz and Members of Council

Meeting Date: June 1, 2023

Prepared By:

Subject: Perth County Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813

Recommended Action:

THAT Council receives the “Perth County Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813” report; and

THAT Council direct staff to submit the attached letter to ERO posting number 019-6813 prior to end of day June 5, 2023.

Background Information:

As per Council's resolution on May 18, 2023 staff are providing a draft letter for their review at the June 1, 2023 Council meeting regarding changes proposed by the province to planning policy. It is proposed that the attached letter be submitted to ERO posting number 019-6813 by planning staff prior to end of day June 5th, 2023.

Connection to Strategic Plan:

Goal 1 – Growth & Economic Development

Goal 2 – Regionalization & Service Effectiveness

Goal 3 – Customer Service Excellence

Goal 4 – Community Development & Planning

Attachments:

[draft PPS comments 2023](#)

Reviewed By:

Lori Wolfe, CAO

To: Warden Ehgoetz and Members of Council
Meeting Date: May 18, 2023
Prepared By: Sally McMullen, Manager of Planning Services
Subject: Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023.

Recommended Action:

THAT Council receives the “Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023.” report; and
THAT Council direct staff to submit comments to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on the Proposed changes to the Provincial Planning Statement, 2023 as outlined in the Comments Section of this report; and
THAT the report be circulated to the Lower Tier Municipalities within Perth County for information.

Executive Summary:

Proposed Changes to the Planning Act through Bill 97 and to the Provincial Policy Statement represent a significant change in policy-led land use planning for the Province of Ontario. This report summarizes the Bill 97 and the Provincial Planning Statement changes that are most relevant to Perth County. The report recommends comments for Perth County Council to submit to the ERO posting which closes on June 6, 2023.

Staff have participated in the development of comments being submitted by the Western Ontario Warden’s Caucus and the County Planning Directors Group.

Background Information:

On Thursday April 6, 2023, the Ontario Government introduced Bill 97 including changes to the Planning Act, revoked the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS, 2020) and introduced the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement (PPPS) which is a singular document to replace the former PPS and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2019). These changes are part of an ongoing set of revisions to implement the Ontario Government’s “More Homes, More Choice Housing Supply Action Plan”.

The PPS can be viewed at the ERO posting (#019-6813) at the following link:
<https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6813>

The posting remains open until June 6, 2023 for comment, which is a 60-day commenting period. Indications are that the Province is looking to implement a final version of the PPS in the fall of 2023.

Planning authorities will not be required to update their OPs immediately. The 'Approach to Implementation' states that the new policies will be implemented at the time of the next Official Plan (OP) review, and through any planning decisions made following the in-effect date (which is still to be determined). Bill 97 may come into effect sooner.

Bill 97

The Bill proposes amendments to 7 different Provincial Acts including the Building Code Act, Development Charges Act, Municipal Act and Planning Act which are most notable from a municipal government perspective. The Planning Act changes are summarized as follows:

1. Area of Employment: Re-defining employment areas to specifically exclude commercial and institutional uses in favour of strictly including manufacturing, warehousing and uses related to the movement of goods as well as any accessory or related uses. Requiring that if a municipality wishes to protect uses currently located in Employment Areas that do not fit the new definition it will need to amend its OP to specifically allow the use to continue.
2. Transitional Matters: Bill 97 gives the Minister authority to make regulations about when new policy – presumably the PPS would have an effect on planning applications in progress. Traditionally such a date is known well in advance and the intake of applications tends to slow prior to the effective date and the transition to new rules takes place with relatively few active files. Applications that are unfolding at the time the effective date is known will need to be re-evaluated to some degree.
3. Refunding application fees for zoning bylaw amendments and site plan control applications is further amended in the Planning Act (from Bill 109 in 2022). The refunding will now apply to applications received after July 1, 2023. There is also a proposal to exempt certain municipalities from this requirement but it is unclear which municipalities will be prescribed.
4. Orders by the Minister under Section 47 of the Planning Act (MZO) will be given expanded power to disregard policy statements. In addition, powers

will include the ability to impose agreements on developers and municipalities when a Provincial Land Development Facilitator (a new role that came into being in 2020) is engaged in the process. An MZO cannot be appealed. The Facilitator helps resolve planning and development issues either as an impartial mediator or negotiator on behalf of the Province.

5. Additional Residential Units – references to a “parcel of urban residential land” have been replaced by a “parcel of land” so as to permit a second residential unit (for a total of 3 units per lot – primary and two accessory units) on parcels in and out of urban or serviced areas. In other words, a third unit would be permitted on lots that permit residential uses in villages, hamlets and on farms.
6. Site Plan Control would be reinstated for developments of 10 residential units or less that are within 120m of a shoreline or 300m of a rail line. Site Plan Control Bylaws need to be updated for each lower tier to reflect changes made by Bill 23 and Bill 97.
7. Clarification is provided by the Bill regarding parking spaces for additional residential units, more specifically that municipalities could not require more than one parking space per unit as introduced in Bill 23. It is now clear that the restriction on municipalities does not apply to the primary dwelling, only the additional residential units.

Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

The PPS was last updated in 2020 following intensive consultation and in 2014 prior to that. While many areas of the PPS are proposed to remain, there is a considerable amount of change. Not all sections of the new policy directions have been released yet for comment as the Natural Heritage Policies are still under review. The policies as they are proposed to date are summarized here:

1. Lot Creation in the Agricultural Area – Residential lot creation has traditionally been discouraged or prohibited except for surplus farm dwelling severances. It is now proposed to be expanded in a significant way. The new PPS would allow up to three residential lots to be created by Section 4.3.3 from farm lots existing on January 1, 2023 provided that:
 - a. Agriculture is the principal use of the existing lot
 - b. The residential uses are compatible with and not hinder surrounding agricultural operations
 - c. The new lots are:
 - i. Not in specialty crop areas - there aren't currently any specialty crop areas in Perth County.

- ii. Comply with Minimum Separation Distances – this offers protection for existing livestock operations and additional residences will introduce new restrictions for locating new livestock operations.
- iii. Are limited to the minimum size needed to accommodate the use including water and septic – by putting additional private wells and septic systems in proximity to each other the minimum lot size will need to be larger as determined by the site specific soil and groundwater circumstances.
- iv. Has access to a public road – this will require that new non-farm residential lots front roadways. This will have the effect of pushing livestock operations further back into farm lots. Locating new livestock housing back from roads is more expensive for farmers to put in laneways, hydro service, water services etc. and reduces the efficient use of agricultural land.
- v. Is adjacent to existing non-ag land uses or is primarily on lower priority agricultural lands –the Canadian Soil Classification System places all Perth County Soils in Class 1 2 or 3. Further research could be done to further analyze soil types in Perth County to identify any lower priority ag lands (Class 4 through 7).

There is a discussion in the planning community as to whether the policy allows three new lots or a total of three lots including the retained farm parcel. This remains uncertain at this time.

The proposed policy raises the question of will municipalities be able to adequately evaluate the potential impact of non-farm residential development on agricultural operations? And if they do will today's context be enough to prevent hindering future agricultural operations? Generally speaking more people without an agricultural background who moving to the countryside will increase conflict related to normal farm practices (odour, dust, pesticide use, flies, farm equipment, etc). This will make it ever more challenging for farmers to conduct their normal farm practices on a day to day basis.

The second important question is 'what adjacent non-farm uses' are being considered and what exactly will the County require to demonstrate 'lower priority ag lands' in order to satisfy the 5th criteria?

The new PPS does not allow municipalities to put provisions in their OP or zoning bylaws that are more restrictive than Section 4.3.3.1 listed above, but perhaps some control can be sought through the interpretation of

'adjacent non-farm uses' and 'lower priority ag lands' in the context of Perth County's highly productive farmland.

Perth County has been developing a growth plan for the New OP that accommodates the projected population growth for the next 25 years as directed by the 2020 PPS. The Watson and Associates Land Needs Assessment presented to Council on April 6, 2023 calculates that there will be demand for 290 new households per year for the next 25 years and that 238 hectares is needed in addition to our current inventory to accommodate that growth on public water and sanitary servicing.

Presumably demand for 290 households a year (as forecast by the 2023 Watson and Associate calculations) will largely be accommodated in the settlement areas but there will be interest in severing residential lots from farms and it is quite hard to estimate the impact of that in hectares or in the number of potential lots. It is an approximation, but assuming 1 hectare per new lot it is far less efficient land use than in serviced areas and comes with the addition of serious consequences for livestock farming and farming in general for Perth County farm operations.

Some other municipalities are simply taking the number of farm parcels and multiplying by 3 to get some scope on the issue. In Perth County that would be 8,080 farm parcels, with three new lots each being 24,240 lots at 1 ha each so the equivalent number of hectares. More realistically you would have to remove the lots that are smaller than 2 ha to begin with and consider the MDS calculations for all the existing livestock operations in order to have clarity about the long-term potential impact of the lot creation policies proposed by the new PPS in the County. What is easier to envision is that in each concession block there is probably 2 or 3 farm lots that could potentially meet the MDS criteria for new lot creation. Putting three new dwellings, plus any additional dwelling units on each new lot effectively sterilizes the block from having any new livestock operations and introduces upwards of 9 new lots and potential for 27 new dwelling units in that block at a maximum density of only 3 units per hectare if the soils are proven to be capable of dealing with the effluent from weeping beds, otherwise the units per hectare is further decreased.

2. Comprehensive Review and Settlement Boundary Expansions – The draft 2023PPS removes reference to a Comprehensive Review and instead allows for settlement boundary expansions, employment land conversions and the removal of Prime Agricultural Lands through an OP Amendment at any time. The Comprehensive Review has been a PPS requirement since 2005. The tests to be applied at the time of an OP Amendment are not as stringent as they were, but would still require consideration of adequate

servicing, phased progression of urban development, and impacts on agriculture including minimum distance separation through an Agricultural Impact Assessment.

These changes allow greater flexibility to manage settlement areas and consider changes in a more streamlined process. It requires greater intention and care from the municipalities to continue to focus the majority of growth to fully serviced areas while giving some flexibility for villages and hamlets.

3. Growth projections and land needs assessment remain critical tools for managing and planning for growth. The new PPS intends that municipalities continue to plan for and provide sufficient land to accommodate growth for at least 25-years instead of “up to” 25 years. Intensification targets would no longer be required while density targets are needed. County staff will need to consider revisions to the draft New OP in this regard and re-evaluate minimum density targets to include in the growth management policies.
4. References to affordability have been removed and replaced with ‘housing options’ which is a direction to incorporate a greater variety of dwelling types as well as variety in ownership and rental models. It is implied that greater ‘housing options’ is a suitable means to address affordability.
5. Employment Areas are being more strictly preserved for core industrial uses and prohibiting any mixing of commercial, recreational or institutional uses. Language continues to be present to ensure Planning Authorities are giving compatibility between employment uses and sensitive land uses adequate due diligence. While the policies are not specific about how employment areas should be updated it offers that at least a 25-year land supply is needed and planning for employment areas may go beyond this timeline. In addition, the conversion of employment lands for other uses would become easier without the requirement for a comprehensive review. The new PPS provides tests related to minimizing impacts on employment uses, adequate infrastructure and servicing for the proposed use and an identified need for the removal of the land over that of the need for the employment use.
6. The Natural Heritage (Natural Environment) policies and related definitions are still under consideration by the government and there are no indications what changes might be proposed or when they will be available for comment.

Proposed Comments regarding Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023 to be sent to the Province:

Bill 97

1. Perth County is finalizing a draft new Official Plan (OP) prior to public engagement scheduled for later this year. The new OP provides many necessary updates in policy to accommodate growth, improve housing options and protect the agricultural, aggregate and natural environment resources. Much effort and many resources have been put into development of an OP that meets the needs of our community and thoughtfully plans for growth. The additional MZO powers proposed to be afforded to the Minister lack transparency and do not give sufficient certainty to the municipality or the public.

Perth County requests that the new additional MZO powers be removed to ensure municipal planning authorities have the tools needed to right size the settlement areas, effectively plan for infrastructure, and protect our agricultural land base.

2. Additional Residential Units on farms is an opportunity for affordable housing and for farm families to accommodate multiple generations on the farm within a minimum size footprint. **Perth County supports this direction.**

Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

1. Perth County is actively planning the accommodation of projected population growth and housing demand with clear intention to direct for that growth into settlement areas. Settlement areas are where complete communities are provided for the greatest amount of people and the most efficient use of land can be achieved. It is of utmost importance to Perth County to preserve highly productive farmland for food production and protect the limited natural heritage and aggregate resources found here.

The proposed Agricultural lot creation policies allowing the creation of three lots from a farm parcel undermines the growth management efforts of Perth County and Lower Tier Municipalities to be efficient with land consumption and maximizing investments in infrastructure.

Perth County is 90% Prime Agricultural Lands and has a diverse, robust agriculture industry which is necessary for the production of safe food and in providing food security locally and beyond. Agriculture in Perth County is an economic pillar both in primary agriculture and indirectly in services,

inputs, transportation, and business supports. The proposed non-farm residential lot creation policies introduce a serious threat to the continued success of our highly productive agricultural area.

Perth County requests the new policies which allow for the creation non-farm residential lots be removed.

2. Perth County Council supports the removal of the strict Comprehensive Review requirement in the 2020 PPS. Perth County Council also supports the requirements for agricultural impact assessments and efficient use of municipal infrastructure for settlement area boundary expansions.
3. The removal of the definition of affordable with respect to housing from the PPS allows municipalities flexibility to accommodate affordable housing definitions that may be aligned with funding and incentive opportunities available to developers. The removal of affordability targets and reference to housing and homelessness plans from the PPS makes the province's expectations for the planning authority related to affordable/attainable housing unclear.

Perth County Council requests clarity regarding the planning authority's roles and responsibilities for the provision of affordable housing options in our communities.

4. Perth County has 11% Natural Heritage cover on a total land area basis and is a largely agricultural community. The Natural Heritage System is incredibly important to the health of the landscape, water systems and in the prevention of soil erosion. The Natural Heritage Policies in the PPS are a significant tool which informs the County's ability to adequately evaluate development proposals and prevent adverse effect on the existing Natural Heritage System.

The County of Perth is currently engaged in an extensive consultation with landowners related to Natural Heritage Systems mapping and is also reviewing policy regarding Natural Heritage in a draft of a New OP for the County. **Perth County requests timely action by the province to share proposed Natural Heritage Policies.**

Others Consulted:

County Planning Directors Group, Western Ontario Wardens Caucus Planning Working Group, Dr. Wayne Caldwell

Connection to Strategic Plan:

Goal 1 – Growth & Economic Development

Goal 2 – Regionalization & Service Effectiveness

Goal 4 – Community Development & Planning

Reviewed By:

Lori Wolfe, CAO



United Counties of
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry

RESOLUTION

MOVED BY Councillor Williams

RESOLUTION NO 2023- 98

SECONDED BY Councillor Lang

DATE May 15, 2023

WHEREAS the goal of increasing housing supply and reducing barriers in planning processes as set out in the recent legislative, regulatory and policy changes, including new provisions from Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 is welcomed; and

WHEREAS the proposed PPS (sections 2.6 and 4.3) would dramatically remove municipal power and renders aspects of the County's Official Plan, and other official plans throughout Ontario inoperative, terminating some local planning autonomy, and directly interfering with municipalities' ability to meet local variation and unique community needs; and

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes that would allow proliferation of lots with protection restricted to specialty crop areas only diminishes the purpose, uses, and integrity of rural and agricultural lands, thereby removing protection and restricting future uses of those lands; and

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes encourage sprawl and rural roadway strip development, rather than more fiscally and environmentally sustainable practices like intensification in established settlement areas; and

WHEREAS the province has announced changes will be proposed to natural heritage (section 4.1) that have yet to be published.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry urges the province to:

- pause proposed changes to the PPS, particularly regarding natural heritage (section 4.1) and agricultural lands (sections 2.6 and 4.3)
- reinvest trust in the local planning authority of all 444 municipalities, recognizing that each Ontario municipality has unique landscapes, different housing needs and differing visions for local planning matters

AND THAT our fellow municipalities be urged to voice their concerns regarding the proposed undermining of local planning authority;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all 444 municipalities, The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs

and Housing; The Hon. Lisa Thompson, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry MPP Nolan Quinn, Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MPP Stéphane Sarrazin , the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus.

CARRIED

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WARDEN



June 26, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1
Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

RE: Vacant Building Official Positions

Plensed be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held June 5, 2023 regarding vacant building official positions:

Moved by Councillor Rothwell **Seconded by** Councillor Duncan

WHEREAS building officials in Ontario examine building plans and inspect building construction to ensure compliance with the Ontario Building Code to ensure public safety;

AND WHEREAS in October 2022, Premier Doug Ford and the Ontario government announced their intent to build 1.5 million homes in the next ten years in an effort to generate enough supply to meet a high demand for now and in the future;

AND WHEREAS according to the Ontario Building Officials Association over 50 per cent of existing building officials are eligible to retire;

AND WHEREAS according to the Ontario Building Officials Association building officials are in high demand;

AND WHEREAS many municipalities across Ontario have job postings for building officials that remain unfilled;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of North Perth urges the Provincial Government to provide support to municipalities to fill vacant building official positions;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Provincial opposition parties, Matthew Rea MPP, all municipalities in Ontario and AMO.

CARRIED

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at lcline@northperth.ca.

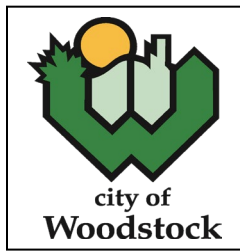
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lindsay Cline". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lindsay Cline,
Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor
Municipality of North Perth

cc.

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Provincial Opposition Parties
Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rea
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities



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June 27, 2023

Honourable Caroline Mulroney
Ministry of Transportation
777 Bay Street, 5th floor
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1Z8

Via e-mail – minister.mto@ontario.ca

Highway Traffic Act Amendments

At the regular Council meeting held on June 15, 2023, the following resolution was passed.

“WHEREAS speeding on our roads is a major concern in our community,

AND WHEREAS speeding can occur in all areas of our community,

AND WHEREAS barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to our community,

AND WHEREAS our municipality has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design,

AND WHEREAS our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement,

AND WHEREAS s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Woodstock request that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Oxford MPP, Ernie Hardeman, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sunayana', written in a cursive style.

Sunayana Katikapalli
Deputy City Clerk

Cc: (via email)

Honourable Steve Clark, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Oxford County MPP
All Ontario Municipalities

Outstanding Action Items
Open Session

July 4

Meeting Date	Action Item	Action By	Current Status	Last Action Date	Next Step
December 6, 2022	Review cap on Cost of Living Adjustments	CAO	Under review - Will be addressed at same meeting as compensation and pay equity review		Present report to Council with options.
February 21, 2023	McCallum Resolution	CAO	Background information being gathered	May 29 Correspondence with Councillor McCallum re wording of resolution	Draft resolution for presentation to Council.



CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

BY-LAW NO. 36-2023

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, for its meeting held on July 4, 2023.

WHEREAS Section 9 of the *Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25* provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under Section 9, shall be exercised by by-law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry for the July 4th, 2023, meeting be confirmed and adopted by By-law;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enacts as follows:

1. The action of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry at its meeting held the 4th day of July 2023, in respect of each recommendation contained in the Minutes and each motion and resolution passed and other action taken by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry at the meeting, is hereby adopted and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-Law; and
2. The Mayor and proper officials of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby authorize and direct all things necessary to give effect to the action of the Council to the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry referred to in the preceding section thereof;
3. The Mayor and CAO/Clerk are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf and to affix thereto the Seal of the Corporation.

Read a FIRST and SECOND time this 4th day of July 2023

Read a THIRD time and FINALLY PASSED this 4th day of July 2023

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam