



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met in Council Chambers in regular session on February 4, 2025, at 7:30 pm.

Council in Attendance

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

Staff in Attendance

Trevor Hallam	CAO/Clerk
Mike Alcock	Director of Public Works

Others in Attendance

Hailee Burlack	
Brad Lyons	
Chelsea Gamble	
Scott Stephenson	The Citizen

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

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

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 23-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of February 4, 2025, as circulated.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Motion 24-2025

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the January 14, 2025, January 24, 2025, and January 28, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes as written.

Carried.

5.0 **ACCOUNTS**

Motion 25-2025

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves the February 4 accounts for payment as presented.

Carried.

6.0 **PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS**

6.1 DELEGATION – ANIMAL CONTROL BY-LAW

Hailee Burlack & Brad Lyons addressed Council regarding the municipality's Animal Control By-Law, and the reversal of the consideration of a dog as vicious under the by-law.

Council asked questions regarding the reason for the attack, how the dog was able to leave the property, and clarification regarding the interviews done by the police and by-law officer.

Councillor McCallum requested a report from staff to clarify the information available on the event.

Motion 26-2025

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs staff to return a report regarding the incident in question for the information of Council.

Carried.

7.0 **STAFF REPORTS**

None.

8.0 **BUSINESS**

8.1 INTERIM LEVY 2025

A report prepared in this regard by Tax Collector Kelly Tiffin was presented by Mr. Hallam.

Motion 27-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 7-2024, being a by-law to provide for interim tax levies for the year 2025 for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed.

Carried.

8.2 BOLT MUNICIPAL DRAIN – REQUEST TO ABANDON

A report in this regard prepared by Chief Buidling Official / Drainage Superintendent / Property Standards and By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston was presented by Mr. Hallam.

Motion 28-2025

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

That the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs the Drainage Superintendent to initiate the process for abandonment of a portion of the Bolt Municipal Drain and to send a Notice of Abandonment to all landowners within the watershed boundary for the affected portion.

Carried.

8.3 MASSON MUNICIPAL DRAIN TENDER AWARD

A report prepared in this regard by Michel Terzian, Project Coordinator was presented by Mr. Hallam.

Motion 29-2025

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby accepts the tender of Horst Excavating Inc. for the total amount of \$114,848.00 excluding HST for the construction of the Masson Municipal Drain 2024.

Carried.

8.4 BOUNDARY ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT – HOWICK

A report in this regard was presented by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock.

Motion 30-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs staff to return a by-law authorizing the execution of a boundary road maintenance agreement between the Municipality and the Township of Howick to the next meeting of Council.

Carried.

9.0 **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Kevin Freiburger

January 16th, attended a virtual training session hosted by the County of Huron regarding Council Roles and Responsibilities.

Jamie McCallum

No report.

Sharen Zinn

Attended the Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference January 19th to 21st.

January 22 attended a meeting of the MVCA Board of Directors.

January 22 attended a meeting of the Community Safety and Well Being Advisory Committee.

Jodi Snell

Attended the Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference January 19th to 21st.

January 22nd attended a meeting of the Listowel-Wingham Family Health Team Board.

Jamie Heffer

Attended the Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference January 19th to 21st.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Board Meeting Highlights – AMDSB – January 28, 2025
- 10.2 Minutes – Bluevale Community Committee – January 8, 2025
- 10.3 Minutes – OPP Detachment Board – October 30, 2024
- 10.4 Minutes – OPP Detachment Board – December 17, 2024
- 10.5 Minutes – Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority – November 21, 2024
- 10.6 Minutes – Maitland Valley Conservation Authority – December 18, 2024
- 10.7 2025 Draft Budget and Workplan - Maitland Valley Conservation Authority
- 10.8 2025 Approved Budget – OPP Detachment Board
- 10.9 Spring Tax Bill Newsletter
- 10.10 Spring Yard Waste Collection Flyer
- 10.11 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

None.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

12.1 MASSON MUNICIPAL DRAIN

At the November 19, 2024, meeting of Council, first and second reading were given to the Masson Municipal Drain By-Law. The period for submitting appeals has now passed.

Motion 31-2025

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 54-2024, being a by-law to adopt the engineer's report and authorize construction for the Masson Municipal Drain 2024, and that it now be read a third time, and finally passed.

Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

None.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Motion 32-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 8-2025, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on February 4, 2025, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion 33-2025

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does
now adjourn at 8:02 pm.*

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam