



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, April 6th, 2021, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met electronically in regular session on the 6th day of April 2021, at 7:30 pm.

Council in Attendance

Mayor Jamie Heffer
Deputy Mayor Sharen Zinn
Jamie McCallum
Jim Nelemans
Kevin Freiburger

Staff in Attendance

Trevor Hallam	CAO/Clerk
Mike Alcock	Director of Public Works

Others in Attendance

Crystal Bailey	
Mike Wilson	Wingham Advance Times
Denny Scott	Blyth Citizen

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

Mayor Heffer noted that Mike Wilson of the Wingham Advance Times notified the Clerk in advance of the meeting of his intention to record the meeting for the purpose of writing articles.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 85-2021

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of April 6th, 2021 as circulated.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Motion 86-2021

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the March 16th, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes as written.

Carried.

5.0 ACCOUNTS

Motion 87-2021

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the April 6th accounts in the amount of \$329,034.04.

Carried.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

None.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.1 CLERK

7.1.1 COVID-19 Update

A report was presented by CAO/Clerk Trevor Hallam in this regard for the information of Council.

There were no questions or comments from Council.

7.2 PUBLIC WORKS

7.2.1 Roadside Mowing Contract

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

There were no questions or comments from Council.

Motion 88-2021

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

That the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry accepts the tender of Yard Boys Ltd. for a 3-year roadside mowing Contract with an option for a 2-year extension, for a 3-year total of \$107,250.00 (excluding HST) and authorizes the Mayor and CAO / Clerk to execute the tender and all other required documents.

Carried.

Councillor Nelemans joined the meeting at 7:48 pm

7.2.2 Gravel Road Complaints

At the request of Deputy Mayor Zinn, a report was presented by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock regarding complaints of excess gravel in ditches for the information of Council.

Deputy Mayor Zinn thanked Mr. Alcock for his detailed report. She noted that while there was no solution presented in the report for the complaints that she has received, there is good information share.

Mr. Alcock reminded Council that that if complaints are received or they are notified of a hazardous situation it can be brought to the attention of staff for action.

Councillor Nelemans that the introduction of the 4% crown on gravel roads has been an improvement. He noted that during a previous term of Council a delegation came complaining of standing water on some roads, and that has since been resolved.

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 Cross Border Negotiations Correspondence

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

Mayor Heffer suggested that it would be wise to ask for a Chair for the meeting that does not sit on the committee, explaining that it would be an appropriate measure to keep the committee on track. He suggested the current or a past warden from the County, or someone with some facilitation experience like Wayne Caldwell.

Councillor Nelemans agreed with having a third-party Chair, noting that it should be someone who understands water systems, not necessarily someone from the public. He said he was not sure the committee could resolve all the issues in one day, but that he did think that they could reach water and sewer agreement all in one day, and deal with the rest after.

Councillor Freiburger said he was not familiar with Mr. Caldwell but is aware that current Warden is supportive of the two sides finding a resolution and believes he would approach this fairly.

Mayor Heffer followed up on Councillor Nelemans' comment stating that members of the public have reached out to him and have offered to help but it that he thought it needs to be someone with a bit more distance from the situation.

Councillor Nelemans agreed adding that someone from the public would have to understand that it's a user pay system, and if it's not it won't work. He agreed the Warden would be suitable.

Heffer summarized that staff should first check with those individuals discussed to gauge their willingness and then confirm with the Morris-Turnberry members of the committee to find potential dates to propose to expedite the process, after which a response with that information can be sent to North Huron.

Deputy Mayor Zinn agreed with the suggested names for Chair and emphasized that this should be done quickly to avoid any further delays.

Councillor McCallum noted that he is in favour of the course of action discussed as well.

Direction was given to staff to proceed as discussed.

8.2 Service Line Warranties Canada Mailing

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

Councillor Nelemans comment that the materials looked good.

Motion 89-2021

*Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

That the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry approve the materials provided by Service Line Warranties Canada for distribution within the municipality.

Carried.

8.3 Business Retention and Expansion Survey 2021

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

Council was supportive of undertaking the business retention and expansion survey in the way proposed by staff.

Councillor Nelemans suggested that an incentive be considered, such as entering respondents in a draw, to increase the response rate. Mayor Heffer agreed that it would be beneficial to offer an incentive.

Direction was given to staff to proceed, and to investigate options for possible incentives for respondents.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Sharen Zinn

March 22nd attended a Wingham and Area Health Professionals Recruitment Committee meeting.

Jamie McCallum

No report

Jim Nelemans

No report

Kevin Freiburger

March 17th attended a Maitland Valley Conservation Authority MVCA Board meeting.

March 30th attended a Brussels, Morris, and Grey Recreation Committee meeting.

Jamie Heffer

No report

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Media Release – Commendations Award – Huron County
- 10.2 Media Release – Official Plan Review – Huron County
- 10.3 Media Release – Businesses Receive Grants – Huron County
- 10.4 Notice of Public Meeting – MV01-2021 KRS Holdings Wingham Ltd. - North Huron
- 10.5 Correspondence – EMPCA Compliance 2020 – Ministry of the Solicitor General
- 10.6 Correspondence – Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund – Ministry of Finance
- 10.7 Correspondence – Cross-border relations – David Magee
- 10.8 Correspondence – General Levy Passed – MVCA
- 10.9 Correspondence – G2G Rail Trail 2021 Newsletter
- 10.10 Board Meeting Highlights – AMDSB – March 23
- 10.11 Minutes – Brussels Area Fire Committee – March 10
- 10.12 Minutes – Health Professionals Recruitment Committee – February 10
- 10.13 Budget - Health Professionals Recruitment Committee
- 10.14 Minutes – MVCA General Membership Meeting – November 18, 2020
- 10.15 Minutes – MVCA General Membership Meeting – December 16, 2020
- 10.16 Minutes – MVCA General Membership Meeting – January 27, 2021
- 10.17 Minutes – MVCA Annual General Meeting – February 17, 2021
- 10.18 Minutes – MVCA Source Protection Authority – January 27, 2021
- 10.19 Minutes – SCVA Meeting – February 18, 2021
- 10.20 Resolution – Vaccine Rollout – Township of South Glengarry
- 10.21 Resolution – Universal Paid Sick Days – Municipality of Calvin
- 10.22 Resolution – Bill C-21 – Town of Kingsville
- 10.23 Resolution – Bill 257 - Town of Orangeville
- 10.24 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

None.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

- 12.1 17-2021 Alternative Voting Methods for the 2022 Municipal Election

At their March 16th meeting, Council directed staff to return a by-law authorizing the use of telephone and internet voting as alternative voting methods for the 2022 municipal election.

Motion 90-2021

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 17-2021, being a by-law to authorize the use of telephone and internet voting as alternative voting methods for the 2022 Municipal Elections for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 6th day of April 2021.

Carried.

12.2 18-2021 Workman Municipal Drain Final Assessment

Work has been completed on the Workman Municipal Drain, and all associated costs have been accounted for. By-law 18-2021 provides for the levying of assessments as provided by the engineer.

Motion 91-2021

*Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 18-2021, being a by-law to amend by-law 23-2018 of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry based on actual costs incurred for constructing the Workman Municipal Drain, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 6th day of April 2021.

Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

13.1 Enter closed session.

Motion 92-2021

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session, with the CAO/Clerk remaining in attendance at 8:24 p.m. for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pursuant to the following sections of the Municipal Act:

- 1. Section 239 (2) (b) regarding the personal matters about an identifiable individual.*
- 2. Section 239 (2) (c) regarding the disposition of land by the municipality.*
- 3. Section 239 (2) (k) regarding negotiations to be carried on by the municipality.*

Carried.

13.2 Return to open session.

Motion 93-2021

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at 8:58 p.m.

Carried.

13.3 Report and Action from Closed Session.

Council discussed matters regarding identifiable individuals, the disposition of land and negotiations to be carried on by the Municipality. Direction was given to staff accordingly.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Motion 94-2021

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 19-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on April 6th, 2021, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 6th day of April 2021.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion 95-2021

*Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 8:59 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council - Tuesday, April 20th, 2021, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council - Tuesday, May 4th, 2021, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam