



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, April 16th, 2024, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met in Council Chambers in regular session on the 16th day of April 2024, 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
Mike Alcock	Director of Public Works

Others in Attendance

Patricia Smith	Trustee, Avon Maitland District School Board
Lisa Walsh	Director of Education, Avon Maitland District School Board
Scott Stephenson	The Citizen
Kelsey Bent	Wingham Advance Times

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

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

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 89-2024

*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 April 16th, 2024, as circulated.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 **MINUTES**

Motion 90-2024

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the April 2nd, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes as written.

Carried.

5.0 **ACCOUNTS**

Motion 91-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the April 16th accounts in the amount of \$ 162,964.14.

Carried.

6.0 **PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS**

6.1 AVON MAITLAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

At the request of Council, Avon Maitland District School Board Trustee Patricia Smith and Director of Education Lisa Walsh attended to provide an update on the work of the School Board.

In response to a question submitted in advance regarding the efficiency of bus routes, Ms. Walsh explained the role of the school board and the company that operates the busses and the complexity of the planning that contributes to the establishment of bus routes.

Councillor McCallum asked about inconsistencies in bus cancellations. Ms. Walsh described for Council the various information sources and agencies that have a role in making decisions around inclement weather cancellations.

Councillor Zinn asked about the reasons for having to hire additional math instructors. Ms. Walsh informed Council that the need for additional instructors was identified by EQAO test results and are focused on primary level schools where teachers are required to be generalists rather than specialists in any one subject.

Councillor Zinn also raised concerns regarding buses and the number of stops made near each other. Ms. Walsh suggested that in such cases the safety of the student is often the key factor.

6.2 CRUIKSHANK MUNICIPAL DRAIN COURT OF REVISION

The meeting to consider the engineer's report for the Cruikshank Municipal Drain 2024 was held on March 19th, 2024. Notice of the sitting of the Court of Revision was sent on March 21st, 2024. No appeals were received by the deadline of April 6th. No late appeals were received.

On March 19th Council appointed Mayor Heffer, Councillor McCallum and Councillor Snell to sit on the Court of Revision.

6.2.1 Open Court of Revision

Motion 92-2024

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adjourns their regular meeting of Council and opens the Court of Revision for the Cruikshank Municipal Drain 2024.

Carried.

Cruikshank Municipal Drain 2024 Court of Revision

6.2.2 Call to order by the Clerk.

Mr. Hallam called the Court of Revision to Order and called for nominations for Chair.

6.2.3 Appointment of Chair

Motion 93-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT Jamie Heffer be appointed as Chairperson for the Cruikshank Municipal Drain 2024 Court of Revision.

Carried.

6.2.4 Appeals

No appeals were received by the deadline of April 6th.

6.2.5 Late or Verbal Appeals

No late appeals were received and there were no appeals from the floor.

6.2.6 Adjournment

Motion 94-2024

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT, there being no appeals to the assessment schedule as prepared by the engineer, the Court of Revision for the Cruikshank Municipal Drain 2024 be adjourned.

Carried.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.1 PUBLIC WORKS

7.1.1 Request Regarding Public Works Issues

A report prepared by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock was provided for the information of Council.

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENT – THOMPSON LAMONT DEYELL MUNICIPAL DRAIN

A report prepared by Drainage Superintendent Kirk Livingston in this regard was presented by Mr. Hallam.

Motion 95-2024

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris Turnberry hereby receives the Notice of Request for Drain Improvement for the Thompson Lamont Deyell Municipal Drain, as described in the request submitted by Tyson Schlegel under Section 78(1) of the Drainage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT Council supports proceeding with the drainage works and instructs the Clerk to send the notice required under Section 78(2) of the Drainage Act to the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs, and parties who requested the improvement under Section 78(1);

AND FURTHER THAT Streamline Engineering Incorporated be appointed to prepare a report for the improvement of the Thompson Lamont Deyell Municipal Drain effective 30 days after the issuance of the notice to the prescribed parties.

Carried.

8.2 REMOVAL OF HOLDING PROVISION

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

Motion 96-2024

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT leave be given to introduce by-law 22-2024, being a by-law to amend by-law 45-2014, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 16th day of April 2024.

Carried.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Kevin Freiburger

April 3rd, attended a meeting of the Bluevale Community Committee
April 12th attended the MP, MPP, Local Politicians forum hosted by the Huron County Federation of Agriculture

Jamie McCallum

April 15th attended a meeting of the Belmore Arena Board.

Sharen Zinn

None.

Jodi Snell

None.

Jamie Heffer

April 11th attended a meeting with MPP Lisa Thompson and local abattoir operators to review the challenges they are facing and what could be done to address those challenges.
April 12th attended the MP, MPP, Local Politicians forum hosted by the Huron County Federation of Agriculture

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Media Release – Exercise Trillim Venture – Huron County OPP
- 10.2 Correspondence – CT Scanner Campaign – Wingham and District Hospital Foundation
- 10.3 Correspondence – Legislative and Regulatory Changes – Maitland Valley Conservation Authority
- 10.4 Notice of Amendments – Source Water Protection Plan Amendments in Effect – Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Water Protection Region.
- 10.5 Declaration of Surplus And Intent to Dispose of Unopened Allowance – Municipality of Huron East
- 10.6 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

Councillor McCallum noted that in previous terms there had been a Council tour of the municipality to see firsthand upcoming projects and infrastructure challenges and requested that one be scheduled during this term. Mayor Heffer noted that he was planning to propose a mid-term tour in the fall.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

None.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

None.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Motion 97-2024

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 23-2024, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on April 16th, 2024, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 16th day of April 2024.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion 98-2024

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 8:26 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, May 7th, 2024, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, May 21st, 2024, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam