



## MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

### COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met in Council Chambers in regular session on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 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**

Scott Stephenson              The Citizen  
Cory Bilyea                        Wingham Advance Times

#### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

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

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

#### **2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*Motion 120-2023*

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger  
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, as circulated.*

Carried.

#### **3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None.

#### **4.0 MINUTES**

*Motion 121-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as written.*

Carried.

**5.0 ACCOUNTS**

*Motion 122-2023*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the May 16<sup>th</sup> accounts in the amount of \$326,873.15.*

*Carried.*

**6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS**

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**6.1.1 BIVAL MUNICIPAL DRAIN COURT OF REVISION**

The meeting to consider the engineer's report for the BiVal Municipal Drain 2023 was held on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Notice of the sitting of the Court of Revision was sent on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. No appeals were received by the deadline of May 6<sup>th</sup>.

On April 11<sup>th</sup> Council appointed Mayor Heffer, Deputy Mayor Freiburger and Councillor Zinn to sit on the Court of Revision.

**6.1.2 Open Court of Revision**

*Motion 123-2023*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adjourns their regular meeting of Council and enters into the Court of Revision for the BiVal Municipal Drain 2023.*

*Carried.*

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**BiVal Municipal Drain 2023 Court of Revision**

**6.1.2.1 Appointment of Chair**

*Motion 124-2023*

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger  
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

*THAT Mayor Heffer be appointed as Chairperson for the BiVal Municipal Drain 2023 Court of Revision.*

*Carried.*

**6.1.2.2 Call to order by the Chairperson.**

Mayor Heffer called the Court of Revision to order at 7:32 pm

**6.1.2.3 Appeals**

No appeals were received by the deadline of May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**6.1.2.4 Late or Verbal Appeals**

No late appeals were received in advance of the meeting. There were no appeals from those in attendance.

6.1.2.5 Adjournment

*Motion 125-2023*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT, there being no appeals to the assessment schedule as prepared by the engineer, the Court of Revision for the BiVal Municipal Drain 2023 be adjourned.*

*Carried.*

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*Motion 126-2023*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby resumes their regular meeting of Council.*

*Carried.*

**7.0 STAFF REPORTS**

**7.1 BY- LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**7.1.1 By-Law Enforcement Activities – March and April 2023**

A report prepared CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding by-law enforcement activities for March and April was provided for information.

**7.2 BUILDING**

**7.2.1 Building Department Activities – March and April 2023**

A report prepared by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding building department activities for March and April was provided for information.

**7.3 PLANNING**

**7.3.1 Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement, 2023 and Bill 97 Changes to the Planning Act**

Mayor Heffer noted that Ms. Tydd-Hrynyk was also presenting at the Howick Township Council meeting this evening and that this agenda item would be postponed until she arrived.

**8.0 BUSINESS**

**8.1 MPAC DATA SHARING AND SERVICES AGREEMENT**

A proposed Data Sharing and Services agreement with MPAC was provided for the information of Council.

*Motion 127-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
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 Data Sharing and Services Agreement between MPAC and the Municipality to the next meeting of Council.*

*Carried.*

## **9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS**

Kevin Freiburger

Attended a meeting of the Bluevale Community Committee on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Jamie McCallum

No report.

Sharen Zinn

No report.

Jodi Snell

No report.

Jamie Heffer

No report.

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

- 10.1 Press Release – AORS – Alcock named President
- 10.2 Correspondence – AORS Trade Show
- 10.3 Correspondence – Enbridge Gas – Locate Charges
- 10.4 Correspondence – Huron County Pride – Pride Month and Pride Flag
- 10.5 Minutes – CHIP – April 12, 2023
- 10.6 Minutes – MVCA – April 19, 2023
- 10.7 Report – Belgrave Water – April 2023
- 10.8 Report – OGRA Conference – Deputy Mayor Freiburger
- 10.9 Resolution – Prince Edward County – Changes to PPS
- 10.10 Resolution – Municipality of Tweed – Hydro/Bell Canada Poles
- 10.11 Outstanding Action Items

## **11.0 NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**

### **12.1 SCHWARTZENTRUBER MUNICIPAL DRAIN**

At the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of Council, first and second reading were given to the Schwartzentruber Municipal Drain By-Law. A tender for the project was accepted at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, and the period for submitting appeals has passed.

*Motion 128-2023*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 17-2023, being a by-law to adopt the engineer's report and authorize construction of the Schwartzentruber Municipal Drain 2023, and that it now be read a third time, and finally passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.*

*Carried.*

## **13.0 CLOSED SESSION**

### **13.1 Enter closed session.**

*Motion 129-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session at 7:40 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:*

1. *Section 239 (2) (c) regarding a proposed acquisition of land.*
2. *Section 239 (2) (k) regarding negotiations to be carried on by the municipality.*

*Carried.*

13.2 Return to open session.

*Motion 130-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at 7:58 p.m.*

*Carried.*

13.3 Report and Action from Closed Session.

Council discussed the purchase of land to correct a road constructed on private property.

*Motion 131-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby authorizes the CAO/Clerk to execute the Agreement of Purchase and Sale and all documents required thereafter to complete the purchase of a 60 foot road allowance under the portion of Gibbons Line constructed on private land.*

*Carried.*

Council also discussed the status of negotiations of a cross border servicing agreement.

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Mayor Heffer called a brief recess to await the arrival of Ms. Tydd-Hrynyk.

At 8:05 pm Council resumed their meeting, and returned to item 7.3.1 of the agenda.

7.3.1 Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement, 2023 and Bill 97 Changes to the Planning Act

A report was presented by Huron County Planner Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk in this regard for the information of Council.

Council discussed concerns with the policy direction of the Province outlined in the presentation, including the loss of prime agricultural land and the negative and limiting effects on established or expanding farming operations.

Following further discussion;

*Motion 132-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby supports and endorses the resolution of Prince Edward County, calling on the Province to pause proposed changes to the PPS, particularly regarding natural heritage and agricultural lands, and to 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.*

*Carried.*

*Motion 133-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby supports the submission of made by Huron County staff to the Environmental Registry of Ontario regarding the proposed Provincial Planning Statement, 2023 and Bill 97;*

*AND THAT staff be directed to submit comments to the Environmental Registry of Ontario focusing on the proposed changes that will have the greatest impact in Morris-Turnberry;*

*AND THAT the Mayor and CAO/Clerk be authorized to meet with MPP Thompson to express the concerns of Council.*

*Carried.*

**14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

*Motion 134-2023*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

*THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 29-2023, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this May 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.*

*Carried.*

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion 135-2023*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 9:00 pm.*

*Carried.*

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 7:30 pm  
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 7:30 pm

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Mayor, Jamie Heffer

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Clerk, Trevor Hallam