



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

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

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met electronically in regular session on the 16th day of July 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
Marty Bedard	Fire Chief – Huron East

Others in Attendance

Scott Stephenson	The Citizen
Rachel Hammermueller	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 Rachel Hammermueller would be recording the meeting for the purpose of writing articles.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 175-2024

*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 July 16th, 2024, as circulated.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Motion 176-2024

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

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

Carried.

5.0 ACCOUNTS

Motion 177-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the July 16th accounts in the amount of \$ 326,660.48.

Carried.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

None.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.1 FIRE DEPARTMENT

7.1.1 Huron East Fire Department Activity Report

A report was presented by Interim Fire Chief Marty Bedard regarding the activities of the Huron East Fire Department since February 2024.

Councillor McCallum joined the meeting.

Council asked if there was anything that could be done to aid recruitment efforts, and to reduce the number of calls in the municipality. Chief Bedard suggested that recruitment notices could be shared on the Municipality's Facebook page and website. Regarding call numbers, he noted that ongoing fire prevention information could also be shared by the Municipality, but that it is difficult to reduce the number of calls through such efforts.

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 MUNICIPAL PARTICIPATION IN PARADES

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

Following a discussion on the matter, there was a consensus of Council that all would be willing to participate in the Bluevale Homecoming parade on a voluntary basis. Mayor Heffer suggested that Councillor McCallum coordinate the effort for Council.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Kevin Freiburger

July 3rd attended a meeting of the Bluevale Community Committee.

Jamie McCallum

July 15th attended a meeting of the Belmore Community Centre Board.

Sharen Zinn

No report.

Jodi Snell

No report.

Jamie Heffer

July 12th met with representatives from Howick and South Bruce regarding the Belmore Community Centre.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Correspondence – Lithium-ion Battery Regulations – Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan
 10.2 Correspondence – Planning Act Changes – Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 10.3 Resolution – Green Roads Pilot Project – City of St. Catharines
 10.4 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

None.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

12.1 HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY UPDATES

At the July 2nd meeting, staff were directed to return a by-law to adopt certain Health and Safety related policies for the Municipality. By-law 36-2024 was presented for consideration.

Motion 178-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
 Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 36-2024, being a by-law to adopt revised Health and Safety Policies, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 16th day of July 2024.

Carried.

12.2 AMENDMENT TO FEES AND CHARGES

At the July 2nd meeting, staff were directed to return a by-law to amend schedule “B” of by-law 65-2023 to update planning fees. By-law 37-2024 was presented for consideration.

Motion 179-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
 Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 37-2024, being a by-law to amend by-law 65-2023 of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 16th day of July 2024.

Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

13.1 Enter closed session.

Motion 180-2024

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
 Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session at 8:02 p.m., with the CAO/Clerk and Director of Public Works remaining in attendance, for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pursuant to the following sections of the Municipal Act:

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

Carried.

Scott Stephenson and Rachel Hammermueller left the meeting.

13.2 Return to open session.

Motion 181-2024

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at 8:34 p.m..

Carried.

13.3 Report and Action from Closed Session.

Council received a report regarding a potential acquisition of land and provided direction, and received updates on ongoing negotiations.

14.0 **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Motion 182-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 38-2024, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on July 16th, 2024, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 16th day of July 2024.

Carried.

15.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion 183-2024

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 8:35 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, August 13th, 2024, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, September 3rd, 2024, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam