



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, July 22, 2025, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met electronically in regular session on July 22, 2025, at 7:30 pm.

Council in Attendance

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

Staff in Attendance

Trevor Hallam	CAO/Clerk
Mike Alcock	Director of Public Works

Others in Attendance

Bob Montgomery	The Citizen
Rachel Hammermueller	The Wingham Advance Times

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

Mayor Heffer noted that the reporters in attendance would be recording the meeting for the purpose of writing articles.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 159-2025

*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 July 22, 2025, as amended.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Motion 161-2025

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the July 8, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes as written.

Carried.

5.0 **ACCOUNTS**

Motion 162-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves payment of the list of accounts as presented.

Carried.

Councilor McCallum joined the meeting

6.0 **PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS**

None.

7.0 **STAFF REPORTS**

7.1 BY- LAW ENFORCEMENT

7.1.1 By-Law Enforcement Activities – May and June 2025

A report prepared by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding by-law enforcement activities for May and June was provided for the information of Council.

7.2 BUILDING

7.2.1 Building Department Activities – May and June 2025

A report prepared by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding building department activities for May and June was provided for the information of Council.

7.3 FIRE DEPARTMENT

7.3.1 North Huron Fire Department

A report prepared by North Huron Fire Chief Chad Kregar regarding the department's activities for June was provided for the information of Council.

7.3.2 Huron East Fire Department

A report prepared by Huron East Fire Chief Glen Ackerman regarding the department's activities for the first half of 2025 was provided for the information of Council.

8.0 **BUSINESS**

8.1 Asset Management Plan 2025

A report prepared by Treasurer Sean Brophy in this regard was provided for Council's consideration.

Motion 163-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves the 2025 Asset Management Plan, as presented.

Carried.

8.2 Tender Results - MT-25-114 - Hot Mix Paving

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

Councillor Zinn asked Mr. Alcock how the budget shortfall would be paid for. Mr. Alcock noted that there had been savings on other contracts from changes in fuel prices that would be used to cover the difference.

Motion 164-2025

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby accepts the tender of Lavis Contracting Company Ltd for Contract MT 25-114 Hot Mix Paving for the estimated value of \$131,346.25, based on estimated quantities and excluding HST and contingency, and authorizes the Mayor and CAO / Clerk to execute the tender and all other required documents.

Carried.

8.3 Request for Proposal Results – Election Service Provider 2026

A report prepared by Deputy Clerk Kim Johnston in this regard was presented by Mr. Hallam.

Deputy Mayor Freiburger asked for more details regarding why the provider with the proposal that was priced lower isn't recommended by staff. Mr. Hallam explained that the Election Working Group felt that the vendor did not have sufficient experience with municipal elections in Ontario, in contrast to the recommended vendor who has successfully completed election for the group in 2018 and 2022.

Councillor Zinn asked if the vendor managed the voting list. Mr. Hallam explained that the list is maintained in a database that the Municipality has access to, and will be updated with data from Elections Ontario for the 2026 election.

Motion 165-2025

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs staff to return a by-law authorizing the execution of an agreement with Simply Voting for election services for the 2026 municipal and school board elections.

Carried.

8.4 WSIB Health and Safety Excellence Program Update

A report prepared by Deputy Clerk Kim Johnston in this regard was provided to Council.

Motion 166-2025

*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 to the next meeting of Council adding policies to the Municipal Health and Safety Manual on the topics of:

- 1. Hazard Identification*
- 2. Risk Assessments*
- 3. Return to Work Roles and Responsibilities*
- 4. Return to Work Program Requirements, Tools and Forms*
- 5. Return to Work Accommodations,*

Carried.

9.0 **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Kevin Freiburger

No report

Jamie McCallum

July 21, attended a meeting of the Belmore Arena Board.

Sharen Zinn

July 16th attended a meeting of the Community Safety and Well Being Committee.

Jodi Snell

No report.

Jamie Heffer

No report.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Correspondence – EMO Compliance Confirmation 2025
- 10.2 Minutes – Bluevale Community Committee – June 7, 2025
- 10.3 Minutes – Bluevale Community Committee – July 2, 2025
- 10.4 Minutes - Huron OPP Detachment Board - March 24, 2025
- 10.5 Minutes – MVCA Membership Meeting – April 16, 2025
- 10.6 Minutes – MVCA Membership Meeting – May 21, 2025
- 10.7 Annual Report – Wingham and District Hospital Foundation 2024 - 2025
- 10.8 Newsletter – ABMV Source Protection – July 2025
- 10.9 Draft Newsletter – Fall Tax Mailing – Morris-Turnberry
- 10.10 Monthly Report – Belgrave Water – May and June 2025
- 10.11 Semi-Annual Project Status Report – Headway Engineering
- 10.12 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

None.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

None.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

13.1 None.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Motion 167-2025

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 35-2025, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on July 22, 2025, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion 168-2025

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 7:52 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 7:30 pm
Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, September 2, 2025, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam