



## MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

### COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> 2021, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry will meet electronically in regular session on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 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**

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 disclosed the use of recording equipment for the purpose of writing articles to the Clerk in advance of the meeting.

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

*Motion 273-2021*

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger  
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as circulated.*

*Carried.*

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

None.

**4.0 MINUTES**

*Motion 274-2021*

*Moved by Jim Nelemans  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Council Meeting Minutes as written.*

*Carried.*

**5.0 ACCOUNTS**

Councillor Nelemans asked how the amount of \$1000 for coyote compensation was arrived at. Mr. Hallam explained the Huron County Coyote Control program, and that the compensation is set at \$100 per coyote.

*Motion 275-2021*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the December 7<sup>th</sup> accounts in the amount of \$1,058,334.10.*

*Carried.*

**6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS**

None.

**7.0 STAFF REPORTS**

**7.1 PUBLIC WORKS**

**7.1.1 Operations Update**

A report to provide an update on Public Works operations and activities was presented by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock.

Councillor Nelemans asked if there was anything more the Municipality could do to avoid a situation like the accident on C-Line. Mr. Alcock explained that new signage had been installed that is larger and more noticeable in numerous locations, but there is little else the Municipality can do.

**8.0 BUSINESS**

**8.1 Development Agreement – Upgrade of Stacey Street**

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

Deputy Mayor Zinn asked about wildlife on this property, and how it differs from the property immediately to the north that is subject to the Ontario Land Tribunal appeal. Mr. Hallam explained that he understood one difference to be that the adjacent property abuts and includes a portion of provincially significant wetland.

*Motion 276-2021*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Jim Nelemans*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs staff to return a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to an agreement between the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry and Nu-Wood Carpentry with regard to the upgrade of Stacey Street to a future meeting of Council.*

*Carried*

## 8.2 Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal

A prepared by Deputy Clerk Kim Johnston in this regard was presented by Mr. Hallam for the information of Council.

## 8.3 Animal Control Working Group Proposal

A report was presented by CAO/Clerk Trevor Hallam in this regard, proposing a shared service model for an Animal Control Officer to service 6 municipalities.

Deputy Mayor Zinn and Councillor Nelemans asked questions regarding whether the service area may be too large for one person to cover, whether its realistic to expect one person to be on call, and whether the risks of entering into an agreement for the position with other municipalities may be too great. Both expressed in interest in knowing how Howick was addressing the issue.

Mr. Hallam noted that the area of coverage may be large for immediate response, but its not unreasonable and is similar to what Mr. Trick had serviced. He noted that a reduction in service may be necessary to make the position financially viable. He went on to explain that both South Huron and Howick had assigned animal control duties to existing enforcement staff, and that Howick had been approached to see if their officer could service Morris-Turnberry as well, and they did not have the capacity to do so. The County was also approached and did not want to be the provider of this service.

Mayor Heffer asked for more details on how the proposal was arrived at. Mr. Hallam explained the process that the working group had gone through to date, and that its members thought that this proposal was formed enough to test the concept with Councils, before proceeding to invest more time in refining it further.

*Motion 277-2021*

*Moved by Jim Nelemans  
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs staff to continue to investigate a shared service model for the provision of Animal Control Services;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry is not willing to be the principal employer of a shared Animal Control Officer.*

*Carried.*

## 8.4 Budget Dates and Process

A report prepared by Treasurer Sean Brophy in this regard was presented by Mr. Hallam.

Deputy Mayor Zinn asked why the timeline for the process was so long. Mr. Hallam explained that it is partially due to the need to have final expenditure figures for the previous year to inform the process, but also that the timeline are estimates and depending on the changes Council wishes to make it could be accelerated.

**9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS**

Sharen Zinn

No report.

Jamie McCallum

No report.

Jim Nelemans

November 24<sup>th</sup> attended a meeting of the Brussels Fire board  
 December 1<sup>st</sup> attended a meeting at the Belmore Arena at the request of the Board with representatives from South Bruce and Howick to discuss the financial impacts that the pandemic has had on the Board.

Kevin Freiburger

November 17<sup>th</sup> attended a meeting of the MVCA Board at which discussions took place regarding service level agreements and the potential for multi-year agreements.  
 November 30<sup>th</sup> attended a meeting of the Brussels, Morris, and Grey Community Centre Board.

Jamie Heffer

December 1<sup>st</sup> attended a meeting at the Belmore Arena at the request of the Board with representatives from South Bruce and Howick to discuss the financial impacts that the pandemic has had on the Board. Howick will be assessing the situation and will be contacting Morris-Turnberry with next steps.

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

- 10.1 Media Release – Library Fines 2022 – Huron County
- 10.2 Media Release – Discrimination in Huron-Perth – Huron/Perth Counties
- 10.3 Media Release – Be Part of the Solution – Huron County
- 10.4 Media Release – Homelessness Enumeration – Huron County
- 10.5 Media Release – Accessibility Awards – Huron County
- 10.6 Notice of Public Meeting – Minor Variance – Howick
- 10.7 Notice of Public Meeting – Official Plan/Zoning Amendment – North Huron
- 10.8 Minutes – SVCA Board Meeting – 21 October, 2021
- 10.9 Minutes – MVCA Board Meeting – 20 October, 2021
- 10.10 Minutes – Northern Huron Community Committee – October 20, 2021
- 10.11 Minutes – Brussels Fire Area Committee – November 24, 2021
- 10.12 Monthly Report – Belgrave Water – October 2021
- 10.13 Budget 2022 – Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority
- 10.14 Outstanding Action Items

*Motion 278-2021*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
 Seconded by Jim Nelemans*

*That all items of correspondence be filed.*

*Carried.*

**11.0 NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**

- 12.1 By-Law Enforcement Services Agreement

At the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, Council directed staff to return a by-law to authorize an agreement between the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry and Keppel Creek for the provision of Property Standards Officer and By-Law Enforcement Officer services. By-law 62-2021 was presented for consideration.

*Motion 279-2021*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 62-2021, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to an agreement between the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry and Keppel Creek for the provision of Property Standards Officer and By-Law Enforcement Officer services, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.*

*Carried.*

## 12.2 Council and Local Board Remuneration

At the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, Council directed staff to return a by-law to establish the remuneration rates for the year 2022 for members of Council and Local Boards for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry. By-law 63-2021 was presented for consideration.

*Motion 280-2021*

*Moved by Jim Nelemans  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 63-2021, being a by-law to establish the remuneration rates for the year 2022 for members of Council and Local Boards for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.*

*Carried.*

## 12.3 Employee Remuneration

At the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, Council directed staff to return a by-law to establish the pay range grid for the year 2022 for employees of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry. By-law 64-2021 was presented for consideration.

*Motion 281-2021*

*Moved by Sharen Zinn  
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

*THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 64-2021, being a by-law to establish the pay range grid for the year 2022 for employees of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.*

*Carried.*

## 13.0 **CLOSED SESSION**

### 13.1 Enter closed session.

*Motion 282-2021*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Jim Nelemans*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session, with the CAO/Clerk remaining in attendance at 8:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pursuant to the following sections of the Municipal Act:*

- 1. Section 239 (2) (b) regarding personal matters about and identifiable individual.*
- 2. Section 239 (2) (k) regarding negotiations to be carried on the municipality.*

*Carried.*

13.2 Return to open session.

*Motion 283-2021*

*Moved by Jamie McCallum  
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at 9:06 p.m.*

*Carried.*

13.3 Report and Action from Closed Session.

Council discussed personal matters about identifiable individuals regarding the financing of drainage assessments and one matter regarding negotiations being carried on by the Municipality.

14.0 **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

*Motion 284-2021*

*Moved by Jim Nelemans  
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

*THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 61-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.*

*Carried.*

15.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion 285-2021*

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger  
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

*THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 9:07 pm.*

*Carried.*

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting of Council - Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021, 7:30 pm  
Regular Meeting of Council - Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 7:30 pm

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Mayor, Jamie Heffer

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Clerk, Trevor Hallam