



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, December 19th, 2023, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met in Council Chambers in regular session on the 19th day of December 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

Others in Attendance

Max McLellan Brussels District Fire Chief
Brian Deitner Brussels District Deputy Fire Chief
Scott Stephenson The Citizen

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

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

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 292-2023

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of December 19th, 2023, as circulated.

Carried.

3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Motion 293-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the December 5th 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as written.

Carried.

5.0 ACCOUNTS

Motion 294-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the December 19th accounts in the amount of \$318,565.12.

Carried.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

6.1 DEPUTATIONS

6.1.1 Brussels Fire Station

Brussels District Chief Max McLellan and Deputy-Chief Brian Deitner addressed Council regarding the parking area proposed in the design for the expansion of the Brussels Fire Station. They expressed concerns that the number of parking spaces are insufficient to accommodate the full complement of firefighters that may be respond to a fire call.

Mayor Heffer noted that Morris-Turnberry was not consulted during the design phase and has not received updates regarding the progress of the project.

District Chief McLellan explained that neither he nor Deputy Chief Deitner had been consulted at any time and had only become aware of the design during the open house.

Council expressed their surprise that those who use the station were not consulted during the design stage.

Direction was given for staff to contact Huron East and inquire about the expansion of the parking lot.

6.2 PUBLIC MEETINGS

6.2.1 Proposed Changes to the Fees and Charges By-Law

Motion 295-2023

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby opens a Public Meeting to consider changes to the Morris-Turnberry Fees and Charges By-Law.

Carried.

PUBLIC MEETING – FEES AND CHARGES

6.2.2 Call to Order

Mayor Heffer called the public meeting to order at 7:46pm.

6.2.3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

6.2.4 Requirement

This Public Meeting was held pursuant to the *Building Code Act*, which requires that Council hold at least one public meeting and that proper notice be given of its intent to consider a by-law to amend the fee schedule for services rendered under *the Building Code Act*.

Notice of the Public Meeting was issued in accordance with section 7(6) of the Building Code Act, section 1.9.1.2 of Ontario Regulation 332/12, and the Morris-Turnberry Notice By-Law on November 27th, 2023.

6.2.5 Comments

1. Staff

Mr. Hallam noted one proposed addition since the draft was first presented to Council, related to equipment costs for clean up or remediation where no notice is given.

There was a consensus of Council to not adopt the proposed addition.

2. Public

None.

3. Council

None.

6.2.6 Close Public Meeting

Motion 296-2023

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby closes the Public Meeting to consider changes to the Morris-Turnberry Fees and Charges By-Law.

Carried.

6.2.7 Consideration of Fees and Charges By-Law

Motion 297-2023

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 65-2023, being a by-law to establish fees, rates, and charges for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, as amended, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of December 2023.

Carried.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

None.

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELL BEING UPDATE AND 2024 BUDGET

A report has been prepared by Deputy Clerk Kim Johnston in this regard.

Councillor Zin commented that the plan that has been put in place is a good one and that efforts have been made to ensure that no resources are being put into duplicating efforts between agencies and municipalities.

Motion 298-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves the proposal from Lakeside Web with respect to the creation and hosting of a Community Safety and Well Being website, as recommended by the Community Safety and Well Being Plan Working Group.

AND FURTHER THAT the proposed Community Safety and Well Being Plan Budget for 2024 as presented.

Carried.

8.2 ANNUAL AND MULTI YEAR ACCESSIBILITY PLAN UPDATES

The County of Huron has provided Council reviewed the Multi Year Accessibility Plan provided by the County of Huron.

Motion 299-2023

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the 2024 Multi Year Accessibility Plan prepared by the Huron County Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Carried.

8.2.1 NICHOL MUNICIPAL DRAIN SECTION 76 PROPOSAL

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

Motion 300-2023

*Moved by Jodi Snell
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby directs the Clerk to apply to the Ontario Drainage Tribunal for permission to appoint and engineer to vary assessments under Section 76 of the Drainage Act for the Nichol Municipal Drain,

AND FURTHER THAT notice of such application be given to the Municipality of Huron East,

AND FURTHER THAT should such permission be granted, GM BluePlan Engineering be appointed to prepare a report varying assessments for the Nichol Municipal Drain.

Carried.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Kevin Freiburger

Attended a Bluevale Community Committee Meeting on December 6th.

Jamie McCallum

Attended a Belmore Community Centre Board Meeting on December 18th.

Sharen Zinn

None.

Jodi Snell

Attended a Wingham Healthcare Recruitment Committee on December 11th.
Attended Coalition for Huron Injury Prevention Committee meeting on December 13th.

Jamie Heffer

None.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 Media Release – County of Huron – New Directors
- 10.2 Minutes – SVCA Board Meeting – October 19, 2023
- 10.3 Meeting Schedule 2024 – SVCA Board
- 10.4 Board Meeting Highlights – AMDSB – December 12, 2023
- 10.5 Resolution – City of Greater Sudbury – Changes to OHSA
- 10.6 Outstanding Action Items

Councillor McCallum requested that the AMDSB Trustee be invited to address Council. Direction was given to staff to contact the Trustee to extend the invitation.

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

None.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

12.1 BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CONTRACT

At the December 5th meeting of Council, staff were directed to return a by-law authorizing an agreement between the Municipality and Keppel Creek for the provision of Property Standards Officer and By-Law Enforcement Officer services. By-Law 64-2023 was presented for consideration.

Motion 301-2023

*Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 64-2023, being a by-law 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 19th day of December 2023.

Carried.

12.2 PERSONNEL POLICY

At the October 17th meeting of Council, staff were directed to return a by-law adopting changes to the Municipality's Personnel Policy. By-Law 66-2023 was presented for consideration.

Motion 302-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 66-2023, being a by-law to adopt a Personnel Policy for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of December 2023.

Carried.

12.3 BLUEVALE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

At the December 5th meeting of Council, staff were directed to return a by-law adopting a Terms of Reference for the Bluevale Community Committee. The Terms of Reference were adopted by the Committee on December 6th By-Law 67-2023 was presented for consideration.

Motion 303-2023

*Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Sharen Zinn*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 67-2023, being a by-law to adopt a Terms of Reference for the Bluevale Community Committee, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of December 2023.

Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

None.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Motion 304-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 68-2023, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on December 19th, 2023, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of December 2023.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion 305-2023

*Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jodi Snell*

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 8:19pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

- Special Meeting of Council – Tuesday, January 9th, 2023, 9:00 am**
- Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, January 16th, 2024, 7:30 pm
- Regular Meeting of Council – Tuesday, February 6th, 2024, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam