

Township of Chatsworth

Council Minutes

Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Scott Mackey
Councillor Shawn Greig
Councillor Elizabeth Thompson
Councillor Peter Whitten

Regrets Deputy Mayor Terry McKay

Staff Present: CAO Clerk, Patty Sinnamon
Fire Chief, Mike Givens
Admin. Assistant Clerks/Planning, Tyler Zamostny
Operations Manager, Jamie Edwards
Parks and Recreation Lead Hand, Matt Tanner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mackey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. OPENING CEREMONIES – O CANADA AND MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Mayor Mackey invited members of Council to join him in a moment of reflection before proceeding with the Council Meeting.

3. OPEN FORUM (MAXIMUM FIFTEEN MINUTES)

The following individual addressed Council:

a. Larry Bryans spoke to Council regarding item 11.4.b. Parks and Recreation Report 2023-01 - Desboro Community Centre Upgrades.

4. APPROVE OR AMEND AGENDA

Resolution 2023-12-01

Moved by: Peter Whitten

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT Township of Chatsworth Council adopt the Agenda as circulated.

Carried

5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None stated.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2023-12-02

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 1, 2023 be confirmed as recorded.

Carried

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

8. PUBLIC MEETINGS (Statutory and Non-Statutory)

None

9. MATTERS ARISING FROM PUBLIC MEETINGS

None

10. INTRODUCTION OF BY-LAWS – FIRST AND SECOND READING

Resolution 2023-12-03

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT the following by-laws be introduced and taken as read a first and second time, and that they be given consideration in Committee of the Whole:

- By-law Number 2023-10 being a By-law to Adopt the 2023 Operating and Capital Budget
- By-law Number 2023-11 being a By-law to establish remuneration and expense rates to be paid for Council of the Township of Chatsworth
- By-law Number 2023-12 being a By-law to adopt the 2023 Remuneration for Township of Chatsworth Employees
- By-law Number 2023-13 being a By-law to authorize the Mayor and CAO Clerk to enter into a Municipal Participation Agreement with the City of Owen Sound to participate in the 2023 Hazardous and Special Products (HSP) Waste Program

Carried

11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution 2023-12-04

Moved by: Elizabeth Thompson

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT Council now go into Committee of the Whole.

Carried

11.1 Consent Agenda and Determination of Items to be Separated

Resolution 2023-12-05

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT the Consent Agenda items be hereby received for information.

Carried

11.1.a Reports for Information

11.1.b Committee Minutes

11.1.c Correspondence for Council information

11.1.c.a AMO Watchfiles (February 23, 2023; March 2, 2023; March 9, 2023)

**11.1.c.b City of Owen Sound letter March 1, 2023 Re:
2023 Hazardous and Special Products (HSP) Waste
Program**

**11.1.c.c Notice of Ontario Land Tribunal Case
Management Conference - Official Plan Amendment No.
11, Housekeeping Amendment**

11.1.d Motions from Other Municipalities

**11.1.d.a Niagara Region Motion February 23, 2023 Re:
Declarations of Emergency for Homelessness, Mental
Health and Opioid Addiction**

**11.1.d.b Town of Grimsby Resolution February 21, 2023
Re: Barriers for Women in Politics**

**11.1.d.c Municipality of Trent Lakes Resolution February
21, 2023 Re: Oath of Office**

11.2 Presentations/Delegations (Pre-Registered)

**11.2.a Dianne Booker, President of Grey County Federation of
Agriculture Re: Information update**

Hugh Simpson presented on behalf of Dianne Booker for the Grey County Federation of Agriculture presentation regarding an information update. Mr. Simpson provided Council with a presentation that included the background history and statistics of the organization as well as what the Grey County Federation of Agriculture does. Mr. Simpson stated that the organization has presented throughout many different municipalities in Grey County and stated the importance of ensuring that there are open communication channels between both the municipalities and the organization. Once the presentation was complete, Council was able to ask questions and thanked Mr. Simpson for his presentation.

At this time, Mayor Mackey requested leave of Council and welcomed Rick Byers MPP for Bruce–Grey–Owen Sound to the meeting. MPP Byers provided an update to Council from the Provincial level and what is currently on the agenda such as housing and healthcare. MPP Byers stated the importance of having open communication channels with municipalities, and was excited to work together to achieve priorities. Members of Council were able to ask questions and raise concerns to Mr. Byers. Mayor Mackey indicated a few concerns regarding the Farm Tax Rebate program and the inability for municipalities to raise lottery funds for the use of municipal infrastructure. Once questions were complete, Council thanked Mr. Byers for his time and welcomed him to attend a future meeting.

11.3 Matters Arising from Presentations/Delegation

**11.3.a Dianne Booker, President of Grey County Federation of
Agriculture Re: Information update**

Resolution 2023-12-06

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT Committee of the Whole receive information presented by Hugh Simpson representing the Grey County Federation of Agriculture regarding an information update

Carried

11.4 Staff Reports and Verbal Updates from Staff

11.4.a Fire Chief Report 2023-03 - February 2023 Fire Department Activity Report

Resolution 2023-12-07

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT Fire Chief's Report 2023-03 dated March 15, 2023, regarding the February 2023 Fire Department Activity Report be hereby received for information

Carried

11.4.b Parks and Recreation Report 2023-01 - Desboro Community Centre Upgrades

Council paused for a break at 8:38 p.m. and returned at 8:45 p.m.

Resolution 2023-12-08

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT Parks and Recreation Report 2023-01 regarding Desboro Community Centre Upgrades be hereby received for information.

Carried

11.4.c CAO Clerks Report 2023-16 - Council Remuneration and Expenses Statement - 2022

Resolution 2023-12-09

Moved by: Peter Whitten

Seconded by: Shawn Greig

THAT CAO Clerk's Report 2023-16 regarding Council Remuneration and Expenses Statement for 2022 be here received for information.

Carried

11.4.d CAO Clerk's Report 2023-17 - 2022 Annual and Summary Water Reports - Chatsworth and Walters Falls

Resolution 2023-12-10

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT CAO Clerk's Report 2023-17 regarding the Annual and Summary Water Reports for Chatsworth and Walters Falls Water Systems be hereby received and accepted.

Carried

11.4.e CAO Clerk's Report 2023-18 - 2023 Operating and Capital Budget

Councillor Thompson requested a recorded vote on the resolution.
CAO Clerk called the question.

Councillor Greig - Yes
Mayor Mackey - Yes
Councillor Thompson -No
Councillor Whitten - Yes

The motion was carried.

Resolution 2023-12-11
Moved by: Shawn Greig
Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT CAO Clerk's Report 2023-18 regarding the 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets be hereby received for information purposes.

Carried

11.4.f CAO Clerk's Report 2023-19 - Municipal Access Agreement – Eh!Tel Networks Inc.

Resolution 2023-12-12
Moved by: Peter Whitten
Seconded by: Shawn Greig

THAT CAO Clerk's Report 2023-19 regarding a Municipal Access Agreement between the Township and Eh!Tel Networks Inc. be hereby received;

AND FURTHER THAT Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the municipal access agreement be supported;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to bring forward a by-law to authorize the Mayor and CAO Clerk to execute the agreement.

Carried

11.4.g Verbal Updates from Staff

CAO Clerk Patty Sinnamon provided updates:

- Well inspections have been completed for the two in Walters Falls and the two in Chatsworth. All four are in need of repair and are looking at a total cost of \$50,000 - \$60,000 for each well. A report will be brought back to Council at a future date
- Survey for Alexandra Avenue has been planned for next week

Operations Manager Jamie Edwards provided the following updates:

- Day to day operations are going well
- Staff are getting prepared for the Spring
- We have four surplus items on Govdeals that are closing March 16th
- Have a plow truck down with emission issues still
- New Chipper is to arrive by end of month

- Working on both the speed by-law and surface comparison review for Council

Recreation Lead Hand Matt Tanner provided the following updates:

- Winter season is winding down for recreation
- Lacrosse is beginning in Desboro Arena
- We have a couple events planned in March and April
- Getting summer tasks ready to go
- Continuing with the boat launch project. Have spoken to some agencies around the process to move forward.

11.5 Consideration of By-laws

By-law Number 2023-10 was pulled from the resolution at this time and was discussed. An amended version was introduced:

Councillor Thompson requested a recorded vote on the resolution. CAO Clerk called the question.

Councillor Greig - Yes
 Mayor Mackey - Yes
 Councillor Thompson - No
 Councillor Whitten - Yes

The motion was carried.

Resolution 2023-12-13
 Moved by: Peter Whitten
 Seconded by: Shawn Greig

By-law Number 2023-10 being a By-law to Adopt the 2023 Operating and Capital Budget with the amendment of Council mileage being changed from \$30,000.00 to \$3,000.00

Carried

Resolution 2023-12-14
 Moved by: Shawn Greig
 Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT the following By-law(s) be referred to Council for consideration:

- By-law Number 2023-11 being a By-law to establish remuneration and expense rates to be paid for Council of the Township of Chatsworth
- By-law Number 2023-12 being a By-law to adopt the 2023 Remuneration for Township of Chatsworth Employees
- By-law Number 2023-13 being a By-law to authorize the Mayor and CAO Clerk to enter into a Municipal Participation Agreement with the City of Owen Sound to participate in the 2023 Hazardous and Special Products (HSP) Waste Program

Carried

11.6 Items Requiring Direction

None

11.7 Items Requiring Discussion including Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None

11.8 Rise and Report from Committee of the Whole

Resolution 2023-12-14

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT Committee of the Whole rise as Council to report and confirm the actions taken in Committee of the Whole.

Carried

12. ADOPT ACTION OF COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution 2023-12-15

Moved by: Peter Whitten

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

THAT the actions taken in Committee of the Whole today be confirmed by this Council and the Minutes of the Committees be adopted; and
FURTHER THAT staff be authorized to take the actions necessary to give effect to the approved recommendations contained within the staff reports; and
FURTHER THAT by-laws under consideration be presented to Council for third reading.

Carried

13. THIRD READING OF BY-LAWS

Resolution 2023-12-16

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT the following by-laws be taken as read a third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal:

- By-law Number 2023-10 being a By-law to Adopt the 2023 Operating and Capital Budget with the amendment of Council mileage being changed from \$30,000.00 to \$3,000.00
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Carried

14. NOTICES OF MOTION

Mayor Mackey indicated that he was giving notice to bring forward a motion for staff to provide Council with information on what lower tier municipalities in the

County of Grey are paying for IT, and if there is a possibility for the Township to utilize services provided to the County of Grey.

15. NOTICE PROVISION

None

16. OTHER BUSINESS

None

At this time, Mayor Mackey introduced the following resolution to extend the meeting past 10:00 p.m

Resolution 2023-12-17

Moved by: Shawn Greig

Seconded by: Peter Whitten

THAT the Council Meeting be extended past 10:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Carried

17. CLOSED MEETING

After resuming in open session, Mayor Mackey indicated that the only items discussed in Closed Session were those items listed in the resolution.

Resolution 2023-12-18

Moved by: Elizabeth Thompson

Seconded by: Shawn Greig

Resolution

THAT Council go into Closed Session for the following reason(s):

i) To approve closed session minutes of January 11 and January 18 2023

ii) Personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees (Treasurer)

Carried

18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

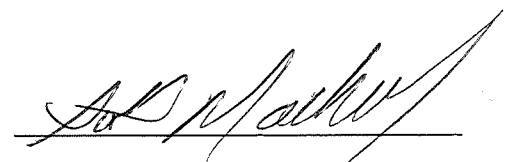
Resolution 2023-12-

THAT By-law 2023-14 being a by-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the March 15, 2023 Council meeting be hereby read a first, second, and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mackey reminded members of Council of the special training session on April 26th at 5:00 p.m. to review the Council/Staff Relations Policy, the Alcohol Risk Management Policy and the Conference and Meals Policy.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 10:30 p.m.



Scott Mackey, Mayor



Patty Sinnamon, CAO Clerk