MINUTES

for the

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

November 12, 2024
9:00 a.m.
Carling Council Chambers
2 West Carling Bay Road, Nobel, Ontario

Attendance

Council Members Present
Mayor Murphy
Councillor Cook
Councillor Doubrough
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Wing

Staff Present
Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk (Attended Virtually)
Mackenzie Taylor, Records Clerk / Deputy Clerk
Gord Harrison, Fire Chief
Ryan Snowball, Planner
Chris Waefler, Public Works Manager

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

(1) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATION / PRESENTATION

(1) CONTRIBUTION CONSIDERATION – PARRY SOUND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE –CHRIS MCDONALD

Chris McDonald from the Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce made a deputation to Council. He gave an overview of the work that they are doing in the area and made a request for contribution. Council will revisit this request during the 2025 budget process.

4. PUBLIC MEETING

None

5. CONSENT AGENDA

24-085 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that consent Agenda Items 5(1) through 5(7) inclusive being (*1)Minutes of Previous Meetings,(2)Minutes and Reports from External Boards / Committees, (3)Council Correspondence, (4)Staff Reports, (5)Committee of the Whole Motions, (6)Request for Support and (7)Supplementary Business* be adopted,.

Carried

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(1) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a. Regular Meeting of Council

24-085.1a

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 8, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

b. Committee of the Whole Meeting

24-085.1b
Moved by
Seconded by

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on October 22, 2024, be adopted.

Carried

(2) MINUTES AND REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL BOARDS / COMMITTEES

24-085.2

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives the Minutes and Reports from external Boards and Committees for the previous month's meetings.

* *See Carling Township website for link of Minutes and Reports of all external boards and committees*

Carried

(3) COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

24-085.3

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council notes and files the November Council Correspondence listing.

Carried

(4) STAFF REPORTS

None

(5) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MOTIONS

a. <u>International Day for Biosphere Reserves</u>

24-085.5a1

Moved by Councillor Kelly
Seconded by Councillor Cook

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council hereby amend the International Day for Biosphere Reserve resolution to remove the phrase “and every November 3 thereafter”.

Carried

24-085.5a2 Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council hereby proclaims November 3, 2024 as International Day for Biosphere Reserves in the Township of Carling;

AND FURTHER that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council celebrates the Georgian Bay Mnidoo Gamii Biosphere as one of the 738 biosphere reserves in the world and commends the organization's work in protecting the environment, building vibrant communities, and supporting a healthy economy by building capacity through education and culture.

Carried

b. Closed Session

24-085.5ba Moved by Councillor Doubrough
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council move into a CLOSED SESSION at 12:53 p.m., pursuant to Section 239(2)(b)(d)(e) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended , for a reason pertaining to potential litigation and a reason involving a personnel matter.

Carried

24- 085.5b2

Moved by Councillor Doubrough
Seconded by Councillor Kelly

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council move out of a CLOSED SESSION at 1:25 p.m.

Carried

(6) REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

None

(7) SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS

a. 2025 Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Annual Billing

24-085.7a

WHEREAS the Township of Seguin passed resolution 2024-331 requesting that the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement be reduced after receiving a 21.28% increase from 2024 to 2025;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Carling also received a 21% increase on the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement and shares the same concerns regarding the financial strain to our taxpayers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Township of Carling supports the Township of Seguin's resolution agreeing that the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement be reduced. The Township of Carling Council recommends reducing it to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) which is more manageable for the Township and in line with historical trends;

AND FURTHERE THAT any increase above the CPI rate be absorbed by the province as the additional costs are directly the result of collective bargaining that was within the control of the OPP and should have been known to be financially unsustainable for the municipalities that now need to pay the bill;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council for the Township of Carling is recommending that the detachment commander for the West Parry Sound OPP and a member from Contract Policing make a deputation to Council regarding the validity of this increase.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Resolution be set to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General, the Honourable Graydon Smith MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation on Northern Ontario Municipalities, and the West Parry Sound Area Municipalities.

Carried

6. PLANNING FILES

None

7. BY- LAWS

(1) REPEAL OF DEEMING BY-LAW NO. 99-24 - ISLAND 356C

2024-41 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW a by-law to repeal a previously enacted deeming by-law being No.99-24 which deemed plan 42M-533 (Haggart Island) not to be a registered plan of subdivision for subdivision control purposes be read and finally passed in Open Council this 12th day of November, 2024 .

Carried

(2) CONSENT AGREEMENT – CALLAGHAN

2024-42 **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Carling to enter into a Consent Agreement with Carolyn Callaghan ,be read and finally passed in Open Council this 12th day of November, 2024 .

Carried

(3) CONSENT AGREEMENT – WEBER

2024-43 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Carling to enter into a Consent Agreement with Donald Weber and Sandra Weber ,be read and finally passed in Open Council this 12th day of November, 2024 .

Carried

(4) CONSENT AGREEMENT – 2466883 ONTARIO INC

2024-44 **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Carling to enter into a Consent Agreement with 2466883 Ontario Inc ,be read and finally passed in Open Council this 12th day of November, 2024 .

Carried

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Councillor Kelly Reported on the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park Board, Councillor Cook spoke to the Parry Sound Area Planning Board,the West Parry Sound Economic Development Collaborative and the West Parry Sound OPP Detachment Board. Councillor Wing report on the West Parry Sound District Museum, she gave an update on ICECAP and on the Belvedere Heights Board of Management. Councillor Doubrough provided an update on the West Parry Sound Recreation and Culture Centre.

9. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ONTARIO RURAL ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM

Resolution **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

AND WHEREAS despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

AND WHEREAS, rural northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

AND WHEREAS, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained health care system;

AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact on improving municipal risk profiles.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Carling requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured in Ontario's rural roads:

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

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24-086 **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council defer making a decision on the Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program until more information is obtained regarding this program.

Carried

(2) CARLING BAY BEACH PARK

24-087 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct staff to repurpose the old community centre playground equipment at the proposed Carling Bay Park location.

AND FURTHER that Council invites comments from the public regarding the establishment of a park at this location.

Carried

10. CLOSED SESSION

24-088 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move into a CLOSED SESSION at 10:38 a.m., pursuant to Section 239(2)(b)(e)(f)(k)of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended for a matters pertaining to an identifiable individual, litigation, advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege, and a position to be applied to a negation for a planning related matter.

Carried

24-089 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Cook

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move out of a CLOSED SESSION at 10:57 a.m.

Carried

24-090 **Moved by Councillor Cook**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes staff to proceed as directed in closed session.

Carried

11. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

2024-45 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 12, 2024, be read and finally passed in Open Council this 12th day of November 2024.

Carried

12. ADJOURNMENT

24-091 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Cook

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Carried

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Susan Murphy, Mayor Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk