Township of Carling

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Council Chambers
2 West Carling Bay Rd., Nobel, ON
9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Attendance

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

Staff Present
Kevin McLlwain, CAO-Clerk / Treasurer
Mackenzie Taylor, Records Clerk / Deputy Clerk
Gord Harrison, Fire Chief
Ryan Snowball, Planner
Chris Waefler, Public Works Manager
Jenny Ritchie, Deputy Treasurer

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1. CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

(1) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Doubrough declared a pecuniary interest for agenda item 3, "Carling Health Hub Updates and Relations with Council," due to having a family member on the Board of Directors of the Carling Health Hub".

3. DEPUTATIONS

(1) CARLING HEALTH HUB UPDATES AND RELATION WITH COUNCIL – ADRIANNA TETLEY

Adrianna Tetley delivered a deputation to Council on behalf of the Carling Health Hub, highlighting the board's recent activities and future plans. She requested the Township's support in engaging the Carling community on their behalf.

4. PUBLIC MEETINGS

(1) PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING

Break 10:43 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.

The CAO-Clerk/Treasurer presented an overview of the proposed budget, after which the Mayor opened the floor to public comment.

Donna Tucker emphasized the importance of a strategic plan, expressed concerns about the proposed communications position, and raised issues regarding funding for the West Parry Sound Recreation and Cultural Centre.

Robin Plumb addressed the Township's reserves and the proposed communications position.

Bob Weir commented on the proposed communications position and raised concerns about the costs associated with the Carling Cemetery.

5. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

Break 11:29 a.m. – 11:42 a.m.

Council addressed some of the questions raised and shared their perspectives on the budget process.

6. MONTHLY REPORTS

The Fire Chief provided an update on emergency management training and by-law enforcement. He also discussed the proposed new Fire Hall.

The Planner reported on an upcoming Ontario Land Tribunal hearing and outlined plans for training building department staff.

The Public Works Manager gave an update on plowing equipment and road maintenance.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Susan Murphy, Mayor

Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk