

**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH-WEST OXFORD
MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
June 19, 2019**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor: David Mayberry
Councillors: Paul Buchner (Ward 1), Peter Ypma (Ward 2), Valerie Durston (Ward 3), George Way (Ward 4), Jim Pickard (Ward 5), Craig Gillis (Ward 6)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mary Ellen Greb, CAO
Julie Forth, Clerk
Bill Freeman, Works Superintendent

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor David Mayberry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and a quorum was present.

MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA

Resolution No. 1 Moved by Craig Gillis
Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the special meeting agenda for the June 19th, 2019 meeting of Council be approved.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

CLOSED SESSION

The meeting will be closed to the public to discuss subject matter that is:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (proposed sale of Pye Farm road allowance);

Resolution No. 2 Moved by Peter Ypma
Seconded by Jim Pickard

RESOLVED that Council move into closed session at 9:01 a.m. to discuss a matter pertaining to:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (proposed sale of Pye Farm road allowance; potential land purchase);

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Resolution No. 3 Moved by Peter Ypma
 Seconded by Paul Buchner

RESOLVED that Council reconvene in regular session at 10:50 a.m.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Strategic Plan Update

CAO Mary Ellen Greb presented a report to Council and a summary of all of the comments received to date on the Township's updated Strategic Plan. Staff is looking for input from Council at this time with respect to any changes or areas of focus to be included in the update. Members of Council provided input and comments on the summary as presented. Discussion took place regarding the following:

- Discussion took place regarding ongoing volunteer appreciation and whether or not more should be done to recognize our volunteers;
- Discussion took place regarding the possibility of consolidating some of the Township's Hall and Park Committees (particularly within Mt. Elgin);
- Discussion took place regarding the Grand Opening of the Beachville Fire Hall and the outstanding deficiency list for the hall. The parking lot paving was discussed and this will need to be discussed with the contractor. Water is not draining properly;
- Community safety education was discussed and the need to promote the use of CO and smoke detectors. Further, messaging with respect to reducing theft crimes by keeping doors, windows and vehicles locked is suggested;
- The possibility of combining the Beachville Fire Hall Grand Opening and Community Safety event was discussed;
- The need for water supply in Mt. Elgin for fire suppression was discussed;

- Tiny homes were discussed and suggested as a topic of discussion to address affordable housing in Oxford County. Council expressed interest in looking at options in this regard;
- Sidewalks and curbs within Beachville and Brownsville were noted as a concern with respect to accessibility and ensuring that residents are able to get moving within the community. David will discuss the sidewalks in Beachville with the County;
- David and Mary Ellen will contact Epcor to find out if they have capacity to service Salford with natural gas. If so, the Township may request a service area amendment.

* 10:35 a.m. Council took a five-minute break

- Discussion took place regarding ways that the Township can educate the public on climate change;
- Council discussed ways that the Township may support and promote waste free community events (ex. purchase dishes for use, countertop dishwasher);
- Works Superintendent Bill Freeman will provide a report to Council regarding the cost of paving vs. maintenance over the lifecycle of the road;
- Development application processes were discussed and the need to advise residents/property owners what is needed from the beginning of the process until the end. Consider if there are opportunities to create standard process list for some routine projects.

BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

By-law No. 57-2019 - To confirm all actions and proceedings of Council (June 19th 2019)

Resolution No. 4 Moved by Craig Gillis
 Seconded by Valerie Durston

RESOLVED that By-law 57-2019 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council held Wednesday, June 19th, 2019 be read a first, second and third time this 19th day of June, 2019.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the By-law and affix the corporate seal.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 5

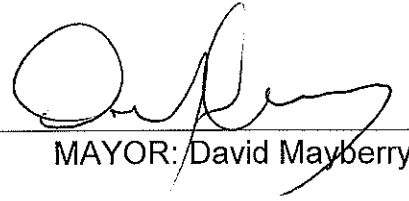
Moved by Paul Buchner
Seconded by Craig Gillis

RESOLVED that there being no further business, the Council meeting be adjourned at 11:58 a.m. to meet again on Tuesday, July 9th, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried



CLERK: Julie Forth



MAYOR: David Mayberry