

**OXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

April 26, 2023

Council Present Warden Marcus Ryan
Deputy Warden Jerry Acchione
Councillor Deb Gilvesy
Councillor David Mayberry
Councillor Jim Palmer
Councillor Mark Peterson
Councillor Brian Petrie
Councillor Phil Schaefer
Councillor Deborah Tait
Councillor Bernia Wheaton

Council Absent N/A

Staff Present B. Addley, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Black, Director of Human Services
L. Buchner, Director of Corporate Services
M. Cowan, Manager of Information Services
M. Dager, Director of Woodingford Lodge
R. Hall, Acting Director of Paramedic Services
G. Hough, Director of Community Planning
C. Senior, Clerk
D. Simpson, Director of Public Works
A. Smith, Director of Human Resources

1. CALL TO ORDER

Oxford County Council meets in regular session this twenty-sixth day of April, 2023, in the Council Chamber, County Administration Building, Woodstock at 7:00 p.m. with Warden Ryan in the chair.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Moved By: Jim Palmer

Seconded By: Brian Petrie

Resolved that the agenda be approved.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

NIL

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 April 12, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Moved By: Jim Palmer
Seconded By: Brian Petrie

Resolved that the Minutes of the Council meeting held April 12, 2023 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

4.2 Housing Supply, Affordability and Density Workshop

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Moved By: Brian Petrie
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that the Minutes of the April 12, 2023 Housing Supply, Affordability and Density Workshop be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

NIL

6. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND CONSIDERATION THEREOF

6.1 Oxford County Pride
Tami Murray, President
Re: Support for Diversity, Inclusion and Equity

T. Murray, President of Oxford County Pride joins the meeting in the Council Chamber.

T. Murray begins by reminding members of Council of her 2022 delegation where she expressed extreme concerns in regards to the hate and violence that was demonstrated towards the 2SLGBTQA+ community at that time and of recent events, adding that she has received numerous messages and calls from local and national media outlets as well as from community members expressing fear, anger and disappointment. Others have offered encouragement as Oxford County Pride continues the fight for their rights and freedoms. T. Murray speaks

of the many ways Oxford County Pride has had a positive impact on the community by providing mental health resources, expanding diversity, equity and inclusion in the community as well as positively impacting local tourism dollars.

In closing, T. Murray thanks Council for their time, adding that although there are still some issues, several members have been incredible advocates who have developed progressive perspectives, who are open to learning and understanding and recognizing the issues of oppression and marginalization and the systemic barriers that occur within it.

Warden Ryan opens the meeting to comments and questions from members of Council. T. Murray responds to comments and questions from Warden Ryan, Deputy Warden Acchione and Councillors Petrie and Wheaton.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton
Seconded By: Jerry Acchione

Resolved that the information provided in the delegation by Oxford County Pride be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

- 6.2 Smart Energy Oxford
Patrick Darby and Chris Marion - Smart Energy Oxford Co-Chairs
Re: 100% Renewable Energy by 2050

Councillor Tait leaves the Council Chamber at 7:26 p.m.
She returns at 7:37 p.m.

Patrick Darby and Chris Marion - Smart Energy Oxford Co-Chairs join the meeting via WebEx and proceed through a PowerPoint presentation which was included on Council's agenda.

The presenters respond to comments and questions from Councillor Mayberry

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Moved By: Jerry Acchione
Seconded By: Brian Petrie

Resolved that the information provided in the delegation by Smart Energy Oxford be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

- 6.3 Staff Presentation
Pamela Antonio, Supervisor of Waste Management

Frank Gross, Manager of Transportation and Waste Management
Re: Transitioning the Blue Box Program to Full Extended Producer Responsibility
- Update

David Simpson, Director of Public Works introduces Pamela Antonio, Supervisor of Waste Management and Frank Gross, Manager of Transportation and Waste Management who join the meeting in the Council Chamber and proceed through a PowerPoint presentation, which was included on Council's agenda.

The presenters respond to comments and questions from Warden Ryan, Deputy Warden Acchione and Councillors Gilvesy, Mayberry, Peterson, Petrie and Schaefer.

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Mark Peterson

Resolved that the information provided in the presentation by Oxford County Public Works staff titled "Transitioning the Blue Box Program to Full Extended Producer Responsibility - Update", be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

- 6.4 MHBC Planning
Andrea Sinclair
Re: Applications for Official Plan Amendment and Plan of Subdivision OP 22-11-7; SB 22-01-7 Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.

Andrea Sinclair joins the meeting via WebEx and provides an update on Applications for Official Plan Amendment and Plan of Subdivision OP 22-11-7; SB 22-01-7 Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.

Andrea Sinclair responds to comments and questions from Councillor Gilvesy.

RESOLUTION NO. 7

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Mark Peterson

Resolved that the information provided in the delegation by Andrea Sinclair of MHBC Planning be received and considered with Unfinished Business Items 9.2 and 9.2.1 regarding "Applications for Official Plan Amendment and Plan of Subdivision OP 22-11-7; SB 01-7 Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.".

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Moved By: Mark Peterson
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that the order of the agenda be amended to move Item 9.2.1 (CP 2023-135 - Supplementary Report - Application for Plan of Subdivision SB 22-01-7 - Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.) immediately following delegation 6.4 from MHBC Planning.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9.2.1 CP 2023-135 - Supplementary Report - Application for Plan of Subdivision SB 22-01-7 - Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Oxford County Council grant draft approval to a revised proposed residential subdivision (File No. SB 22-01-7), as illustrated on Plate 4 of Report No. CP 2023-135, submitted by Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc., for lands legally described as Part of Lots 8 & 9, Concession 11 (Dereham) and Part of Lot 8, Concession 12 (Dereham) in the Town of Tillsonburg, subject to the conditions attached to this report as Attachment 6 being met prior to final approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 9

Moved By: Deb Gilvesy
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that Oxford County Council approve Application SB 22-01-7, submitted by Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc., for lands legally described as Part of Lots 8 & 9, Concession 11 (Dereham) and Part of Lot 8, Concession 12 (Dereham) in the Town of Tillsonburg, to amend the present extent and location of the existing High and Medium Density Residential designations to facilitate the development of the subject lands for residential development subject to conditions outlined in CP 2023-112 dated April 12, 2023 in addition to the following additions/changes that have been negotiated between the Developer and the Town of Tillsonburg along with consultation with Baldwin Place Residents:

That the parkland has been flipped to now be located directly behind Westfield School backing onto Baldwin Place;

That the Developer is of the understanding that all parks/greenspaces that exist in Baldwin Place are private to the residents of Baldwin Place and are not subject to public use and should bring awareness to this upon sales of lots excluding the Public Trail;

That Street "B" has been added as a straight roadway through the development which will incorporate traffic calming measures;

And that Street "H" has been designed as a cul-de-sac.

DISPOSITION: See Action of Council following Resolution No. 11

RESOLUTION NO. 10

Moved By: Brian Petrie

Seconded By: Deb Gilvesy

Resolved that the resolution regarding Application for Plan of Subdivision SB 22-01-7 - Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc. be amended to include that Oxford County Council requests that the Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) review their decision to declare the lands located on the north side of Dereham Drive, opposite Westfield Public School as surplus in the context of the impact the proposed Victoria Wood development would have on potential need of the TVDSB to accommodate future growth and the potential student population.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 11

Moved By: Deb Gilvesy

Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that Oxford County Council approve Application SB 22-01-7, submitted by Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc., for lands legally described as Part of Lots 8 & 9, Concession 11 (Dereham) and Part of Lot 8, Concession 12 (Dereham) in the Town of Tillsonburg, to amend the present extent and location of the existing High and Medium Density Residential designations to facilitate the development of the subject lands for residential development subject to conditions outlined in CP 2023-112 dated April 12, 2023 in addition to the following additions/changes that have been negotiated between the Developer and the Town of Tillsonburg along with consultation with Baldwin Place Residents:

That the Parkland has been flipped to now be located directly behind Westfield School backing onto Baldwin Place;

That the Developer is of the understanding that all parks/greenspaces that exist in Baldwin Place are private to the residents of Baldwin Place and are not subject to public use and should bring awareness to this upon sales of lots excluding the Public Trail;

That Street "B" has been added as a straight roadway through the development which will incorporate traffic calming measures;

And that Street "H" has been designed as a cul-de-sac;

And further, that Oxford County Council requests that the Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) review their decision to declare the lands located on the north side of Dereham Drive, opposite Westfield Public School as surplus in the context of the impact the proposed Victoria Wood development would have on potential need of the TVDSB to accommodate future growth and the potential student population.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 City of Woodstock
March 21, 2023
Re: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

RESOLUTION NO. 12

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton
Seconded By: Phil Schaefer

Whereas Oxford County has also faced multiple double digit increases to insurance premiums in recent years;

And whereas the costs of insurance are affecting municipal budgets across the Province, impacting funding which would otherwise go into improving and expanding needed services to residents and businesses;

Now therefore be it resolved that Oxford County Council supports the resolution from the City of Woodstock regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs;

And further, that staff be directed to monitor the findings of the Woodstock report regarding the engagement process and any recommendations to support improvements to municipal insurance in Ontario;

And further, that staff be directed to add this correspondence as an agenda item at the next Oxford County area CAO's meeting for discussion.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

- 7.2 City of Woodstock
April 12, 2023
Re: Bill 5 - Stopping Harassment by Local Leaders

RESOLUTION NO. 13

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton
Seconded By: Phil Schaefer

That Oxford County Council expresses support for Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, which would require the code of conduct for municipal Councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member’s seat if the Commissioner’s inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement;

And further that this resolution be circulated to the municipalities represented by the Western Ontario Warden’s Caucus;

And further, that this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Oxford MPP and Stephen Blais, Orleans MPP.

DISPOSITION: See Action of Council following Resolution No. 15.

RESOLUTION NO. 14

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Brian Petrie

Resolved that correspondence Item 7.2 from the City of Woodstock regarding Bill 5, “Stopping Harassment by Local Leaders” also be circulated to all Ontario municipalities.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 15

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton

Seconded By: Phil Schaefer

That Oxford County Council expresses support for Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, which would require the code of conduct for municipal Councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member’s seat if the Commissioner’s inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement;

And further that this resolution be circulated to the municipalities represented by the Western Ontario Warden’s Caucus;

And further, that this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Oxford MPP, Stephen Blais, Orleans MPP and all Ontario municipalities.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7.3 City of Woodstock
April 12, 2023
Re: Subsidized Transit Fares

RESOLUTION NO. 16

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton
Seconded By: Phil Schaefer

Resolved that Correspondence Item 7.3 on the Open meeting agenda of April 26, 2023 be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7.4 City of Woodstock
April 12, 2023
Re: Water Operating Authority

7.5 Town of Tillsonburg
April 24, 2023
Re: Town of Tillsonburg Water and Wastewater Operating Authority Service

RESOLUTION NO. 17

Moved By: Brian Petrie
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that Correspondence Items 7.4 and 7.5 on the Open meeting agenda of April 26, 2023 be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

8.1 HUMAN SERVICES

8.1.1 HS 2023-07 - 24/7 Emergency Shelter Update

RECOMMENDATION

1. That County Council receive Report No. HS 2023-07, entitled "24/7 Emergency Shelter Update" as information.

RESOLUTION NO. 18

Moved By: Mark Peterson
Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. HS 2023-07, titled "24/7 Emergency Shelter Update", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.2 PUBLIC WORKS

8.2.1 PW 2023-24 - 2022 Annual Energy Report

RECOMMENDATION

1. That County Council receive Report PW 2023-24 entitled "2022 Annual Energy Report" as information.

RESOLUTION NO. 19

Moved By: Mark Peterson

Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. PW 2023-24, titled "2022 Annual Energy Report", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.2.2 PW 2023-25 - Contract Award – Landfill Waste Compactor

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That County Council award a contract to the lowest compliant bidder, SMS Equipment, in the amount of \$1,488,926 (excluding HST) for the purchase of one replacement landfill waste compactor;
2. And further, that County Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Public Works to sign all documents related thereto.

RESOLUTION NO. 20

Moved By: Deborah Tait

Seconded By: Deb Gilvesy

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. PW 2023-25, titled "Contract Award – Landfill Waste Compactor", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.3 CORPORATE SERVICES

8.3.1 CS 2023-13 - Development Charges Annual Report - 2022

RECOMMENDATION

1. That County Council receive Report No. CS 2023-13 prepared in accordance with Section 12 of O.Reg.82/98 of the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, and authorize posting the report for public information.

RESOLUTION NO. 21

Moved By: Deborah Tait
Seconded By: Deb Gilvesy

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2023-13, titled "Development Charges Annual Report - 2022", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.3.2 CS 2023-14 - OILC Debenture Issue – Township of Zorra

RECOMMENDATION

1. That By-law No. 6537-2023, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing by issuing debentures, for a term of 25 years, in the amount of \$8,641,600, for the purposes of the Township of Zorra, be presented to Council for enactment.

RESOLUTION NO. 22

Moved By: Deb Gilvesy
Seconded By: Bernia Wheaton

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2023-14, titled "OILC Debenture Issue – Township of Zorra", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Pending Items

No discussion takes place regarding the Pending Items list.

9.2 CP 2023-112 - Applications for Official Plan Amendment and Plan of Subdivision OP 22-11-7; SB 01-7 Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.

The following Resolution was adopted at the Council meeting of April 12, 2023:

Moved By: Deb Gilvesy
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that County staff recommendations No. 1 and 2, from the County of Oxford planning report CP 2023-112 regarding application OP 22-11-7, be approved;

And further, that recommendation No. 3 from that report be deferred until the April 26, 2023 meeting of County Council to allow the Town of Tillsonburg and Victoria Woods GP Inc. to further discuss options for Streets "I" and "Esseltine" to the mutual satisfaction of the Town and the Developer.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation No. 3 of Report No. CP 2023-112 read as follows:

"And further, that Oxford County Council grant draft approval to a proposed residential subdivision, File No. SB 22-01-7, submitted by Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc., for lands legally described as Part of Lots 8 & 9, Concession 11 (Dereham) and Part of Lot 8, Concession 12 (Dereham) in the Town of Tillsonburg, subject to the conditions attached to this report as Attachment 4 being met prior to final approval."

9.2.1 CP 2023-135 - Supplementary Report - Application for Plan of Subdivision SB 22-01-7 - Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That Oxford County Council grant draft approval to a revised proposed residential subdivision (File No. SB 22-01-7), as illustrated on Plate 4 of Report No. CP 2023-135, submitted by Victoria Wood (Tillsonburg-West) GP Inc., for lands legally described as Part of Lots 8 & 9, Concession 11 (Dereham) and Part of Lot 8, Concession 12 (Dereham) in the Town of Tillsonburg, subject to the conditions attached to this report as Attachment 6 being met prior to final approval.

The Report was dealt with following Delegation 6.4.

10. MOTIONS

NIL

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NIL

12. NEW BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES/COMMENTS

NIL

13. CLOSED SESSION

NIL

14. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

NIL

15. BY-LAWS

15.1 By-law No. 6537-2023

Being a by-law of the County of Oxford to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$8,641,600.00 towards the cost of a certain capital work of The Corporation of The Township of Zorra set out in Schedule "A" to this By-law.

15.2 By-law No. 6538-2023

Being a By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council of the County of Oxford at the meeting at which this By-law is passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 23

Moved By: Phil Schaefer

Seconded By: Jerry Acchione

Resolved that the following By-laws be given a first and second reading: 6537-2023 and 6538-2023 inclusive.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 24

Moved By: Phil Schaefer

Seconded By: Jerry Acchione

Resolved that the following By-laws be now given a third and final reading: 6537-2023 and 6538-2023 inclusive.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourns its proceedings at 9:45 p.m. until the next meeting scheduled for May 10, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes adopted on _____ by Resolution No. _____.

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CLERK