

**OXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

May 11, 2022

Council Present	Warden Larry Martin Deputy Warden Sandra Talbot Councillor Trevor Birtch Councillor Ted Comiskey Councillor David Mayberry Councillor Don McKay Councillor Stephen Molnar Councillor Mark Peterson Councillor Marcus Ryan Councillor Deborah Tait
Council Absent	N/A
Staff Participants	M. Duben, Chief Administrative Officer K. Black, Director of Human Services L. Buchner, Director of Corporate Services M. Cowan, Manager of Information Services D. Guy, Acting Director of Woodingford Lodge 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 eleventh day of May, 2022, in the Council Chamber, County Administration Building, Woodstock at 9:30 a.m. with Warden Martin in the chair.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Moved By: Mark Peterson
Seconded By: Stephen Molnar

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 27, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Moved By: Mark Peterson

Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that the Council minutes of April 27, 2022 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

5.1 Resolution to go into a Public Meeting pursuant to the Planning Act

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Moved By: Stephen Molnar

Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that Council rise and go into a Public Meeting pursuant to the *Planning Act*, and that the Warden chair the Public Meeting.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried at 9:34 a.m.

5.1.1 Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 21-22-8 - Benito Fuschino

To re-designate the subject property from "Low Density Residential" to "Medium Density Residential" to facilitate the development of three townhouse dwelling units on Blandford Street in the City of Woodstock.

The Chair asks Gordon Hough, Director of Community Planning to present the application. G. Hough, through use of a map summarizes Report No. CP 2022-185 - Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 21-22-8 – Benito Fuschino.

G. Hough indicates that the application for Official Plan Amendment proposes to re-designate the subject property from low-density residential to medium-density residential to facilitate the development of three townhouse dwelling units on a local street north of Dundas Street, in the central part of the City of Woodstock. G. Hough indicates that the subject property is located across from other townhouse dwellings, that staff are satisfied that the proposed number of units is appropriate and

recommend support of the application. In closing, G. Hough indicates that the Council of City of Woodstock recommended support of the proposed Official Plan amendment at its meeting of April 21, 2022.

The Chair opens the meeting to comments and questions from members of Council. There are none.

No members of the public had registered for this public meeting.

5.2 Resolution to adjourn the Public Meeting

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Moved By: Stephen Molnar

Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that Council adjourn the Public Meeting and reconvene as Oxford County Council with the Warden in the chair.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried at 9:37 a.m.

5.3 Consideration of Report No. CP 2022-185 - Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 21-22-8 - Benito Fuschino

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Sandra Talbot

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. CP 2022-185, titled "Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 21-22-8 - Benito Fuschino", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

6. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND CONSIDERATION THEREOF

6.1 Oxford County Poverty Support Program

Al Garland

Re: Number of Oxford County residents who have passed away homeless or in poverty

Mr. Garland was not in attendance.

6.2 Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA)

Tracey Arts - OFA Regional Director

Re: The importance of farmland preservation in Oxford County

Tracey Arts, Zone Director of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture for Oxford and Elgin Counties and Dirk Boogerd, President of the Oxford County Federation of

Agriculture join the meeting from the Council Chamber and proceed through a presentation, which formed part of Council's electronic agenda.

T. Arts and D. Boogerd provide an overview of the OFA's Home Grown Campaign, which is an advocacy campaign focused on the protection and preservation of Ontario's farmland and domestic food production. The delegates explain that their purpose is to increase awareness, educate the public and enhance consumer knowledge on the threat and negative impacts urban development poses to Ontario's agri-food system.

Following the presentation, Warden Martin opens the meeting to comments and questions from members of Council. The delegates respond to comments and questions from Warden Martin and Councillors Mayberry, McKay, Molnar and Tait.

Councillor Tait leaves the Council Chamber at 10:07 a.m.
She returns at 10:08 a.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Moved By: Sandra Talbot
Seconded By: Trevor Birtch

Resolved that the presentation from the Ontario Federation of Agriculture regarding the importance of farmland preservation in Oxford County be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

NIL

8. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

8.1 COMMUNITY PLANNING

8.1.1 CP 2022-185 - Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 21-22-8 – Benito Fuschino

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Oxford County Council approve Application No. OP 21-22-8 submitted by Benito Fuschino, for lands described as Part Lots 76 & 77, Plan 337 in the City of Woodstock, to redesignate the subject lands from 'Low Density Residential' to 'Medium Density Residential' to facilitate the development of 3 townhouse dwelling units;
2. And further, that Council approve the attached Amendment No. 275 to the County of Oxford Official Plan;

3. And further, that the necessary by-law to approve Amendment No. 275 be raised.

The Report was dealt with under Public Meetings.

8.1.2 CP 2022-162 - Phase 1 Official Plan Update - Agricultural Policies - Recommended Amendment

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Oxford County Council adopt application OP 22-01-9 to amend Chapter 3, Section 3.1 – Agricultural Land Resource, of the County Official Plan, and Chapter 1 Section 1.6, to update the corresponding definitions;
2. And further, that County Council declare that Amendment No. 269 conforms with provincial plans, has regard to matters of provincial interest and is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020;
3. And further, that Council adopt the attached Amendment No. 269 to the County of Oxford Official Plan;
4. And further, that the necessary by-law to adopt Amendment No. 269 be raised;
5. And further, that staff be directed to prepare and submit Amendment No. 269 to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for final approval in accordance with the requirements under the Planning Act.

RESOLUTION NO. 7

Moved By: Sandra Talbot

Seconded By: Trevor Birtch

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. CP 2022-162, titled “Phase 1 Official Plan Update - Agricultural Policies - Recommended Amendment”, be adopted.

DISPOSITION: See Action of Council following Resolution No. 9

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Marcus Ryan

Resolved that Report No. CP 2022-162, titled “Phase 1 Official Plan Update - Agricultural Policies - Recommended Amendment”, be deferred and direct that planning staff amend the draft agricultural policies to remove the requirement for undersized agricultural parcels to sever

excess productive farmland from the lot as a condition for allowing residential development on undersized parcels;

And further, that through zoning requirements, any residential development on undersized parcels must meet MDS requirements, and strive to minimize impacts on agriculture and natural features and reduce the footprint of the residential area to preserve as much productive land as possible;

And further, that the area municipal council require site plans for any residential development on undersized agricultural parcels.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 9

Moved By: Sandra Talbot

Seconded By: Trevor Birtch

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. CP 2022-162, titled "Phase 1 Official Plan Update - Agricultural Policies - Recommended Amendment", be adopted as amended.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.2 PUBLIC WORKS

8.2.1 PW 2022-27 - Contract Award – Oxford Road 59 (Vansittart Avenue) Intersection Improvements, City of Woodstock

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Oxford County Council award a contract to the low bidder, Dufferin Construction Company, a division of CRH Canada Group Inc., in the amount of \$1,598,384 (excluding HST) for the construction of left-turn lanes on Oxford Road 59 (Vansittart Avenue) at Ridgewood Drive, Pittock Park Road and Fairway Road/Frederick Street in the City of Woodstock;
2. And further, that Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Public Works to sign all documents related hereto.

RESOLUTION NO. 10

Moved By: Trevor Birtch

Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. PW 2022-27, titled "Contract Award – Oxford Road 59 (Vansittart Avenue) Intersection Improvements, City of Woodstock", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.3 HUMAN SERVICES

8.3.1 HS 2022-02 - Emergency Shelter Update

RECOMMENDATION

1. That County Council receive this update to Council Report No. HS 2022-01, entitled "Emergency Shelter Proposal", as information.

RESOLUTION NO. 11

Moved By: Trevor Birtch

Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. HS 2022-02, titled "Emergency Shelter Update", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.4 CORPORATE SERVICES

8.4.1 CS 2022-15 - Municipal Modernization Projects Update – Q1 2022

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Report CS 2022-15 entitled "Municipal Modernization Projects Update – Q1 2022" be received for information.

RESOLUTION NO. 12

Moved By: Deborah Tait

Seconded By: Marcus Ryan

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2022-15, titled "Municipal Modernization Projects Update – Q1 2022", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.4.2 CS 2022-16 - Lowrie Crescent Tillsonburg Project and 11th Line Woodstock Sanitary Fees – Internal Long-term Debt Issue

RECOMMENDATION

1. That By-law No. 6434-2022, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of funds in the amount of \$15,134 from the Landfill and Waste Diversion Reserve Fund to be used for the purposes of financing serviced property owners' charges for capital costs relating to sanitary services through the following projects, be presented to Council for enactment;
 - a. Oxford County Lowrie Crescent Tillsonburg Sanitary Sewer Extension Project; and
 - b. Oxford County 11th Line Woodstock Sanitary Fees.

RESOLUTION NO. 13

Moved By: Deborah Tait
Seconded By: Marcus Ryan

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2022-16, titled "Lowrie Crescent Tillsonburg Project and 11th Line Woodstock Sanitary Fees – Internal Long-term Debt Issue", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.4.3 CS 2022-17 - Internal Long-term Debt Issue – Renewable Energy Project

RECOMMENDATION

1. That By-law No. 6435-2022, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of funds in the amount of \$585,525 from the Landfill and Waste Diversion Reserve Fund, to be used for the purposes of financing capital costs incurred related to a County of Oxford renewable energy project, be presented to Council for enactment.

RESOLUTION NO. 14

Moved By: Marcus Ryan
Seconded By: Don McKay

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2022-17, titled "Internal Long-term Debt Issue – Renewable Energy Project", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Pending Items

No discussion takes place regarding the Pending Items list.

10. MOTIONS

10.1 Councillor Ryan

RESOLUTION NO. 15

Moved By: Marcus Ryan

Seconded By: Ted Comiskey

Whereas Oxford County recognizes that there is a need for increased quantity, variety, and attainability of housing, and;

Whereas Oxford County is a prudent manager of its finances and intends to make the most effective and efficient use of municipal infrastructure in the long term, and;

Whereas Oxford County values its prime agricultural land and its natural spaces, and;

Whereas Oxford County values sustainability in the delivery of all services, and;

Whereas Oxford County strives to create complete communities providing opportunities for all to work, live, play, and learn;

Therefore be it resolved that staff be directed to bring a report to County Council to provide further information and options that could be considered by the County and Area Municipalities to better accommodate their projected residential growth through increased density within fully serviced settlement areas and minimize the need for settlement area boundary expansions.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NIL

12. NEW BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES/COMMENTS

NIL

13. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

NIL

14. BY-LAWS

14.1 By-law No. 6434-2022

Being a by-law to authorize borrowed funds from the Landfill and Waste Diversion Reserve Fund in the amount of \$15,134, to be used for the purposes of financing property owners' charges for capital costs related to sanitary sewer services provided under the Lowrie Crescent Tillsonburg Sanitary Sewer Extension Project and 11th Line Woodstock Sanitary Fees (the "Projects").

- 14.2 By-law No. 6435-2022
Being a by-law to authorize the borrowing upon funds from the Landfill and Waste Diversion Reserve Fund in the amount of \$585,525, to be used for the purposes of financing the Woodingford Lodge Woodstock Net Metering Project.
- 14.3 By-Law No. 6436-2022
Being a By-Law to adopt Amendment Number 275 to the County of Oxford Official Plan.
- 14.4 By-Law No. 6437-2022
Being a By-Law to adopt Amendment Number 269 to the County of Oxford Official Plan.
- 14.5 By-Law No. 6438-2022
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. 16

Moved By: Don McKay
Seconded By: Mark Peterson

Resolved that by-law numbers 6434-2022, 6435-2022, 6436-2022 and 6438-2022 inclusive be now read a first and second time.

RESOLUTION NO. 17

Moved By: Don McKay
Seconded By: Mark Peterson

Resolved that by-law numbers 6434-2022, 6435-2022, 6436-2022 and 6438-2022 inclusive be now given a third and final reading.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourns its proceedings at 11:08 a.m. until the next meeting scheduled for May 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes adopted on _____ by Resolution No. _____.

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CLERK