

**OXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

February 22, 2023

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

Council Absent N/A

Staff Present B. Addley, Interim 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-second day of February 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: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Mark Peterson

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 February 8, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Moved By: David Mayberry

Seconded By: Mark Peterson

Resolved that the Council minutes of February 8, 2023 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS

NIL

6. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND CONSIDERATION THEREOF

6.1 13th Annual Oxford Stewardship Award Presentation

Warden Ryan moves to the podium in the Council Chamber for the Stewardship Award presentation to a County landowner who has made exemplary contributions to the preservation and enhancement of natural features and areas, such as woodlands, wetlands, streams and meadows and proceeds through a PowerPoint presentation, which can be found on the County's website.

Warden Ryan indicates that as a Council that has been working steadily to build a sustainable future through concrete action, the Oxford Stewardship Award is a reminder that some of this work is already taking place in our community through the efforts of our citizens. He then adds that the award is one of the ways the County demonstrates our commitment to improving the natural environment and quality of life in Oxford County for those who live here now and those who will live here in the future.

Prior to announcing the winner, Warden Ryan introduces this year's candidates:

Mary Ann Doré and family of Heritage Hill Farms in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim;

Daria Koscinski and Adam Yates of a 67-acre farm within the headwaters of Nissouri Creek in the Township of Zorra;

Bernd and Gail Brandt of Heronwood Farm in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

Warden Ryan announces that Mary Ann Doré and family of Heritage Hill Farms are the winners of the 2022 Stewardship Award, adding that Mary Ann's commitment to making decisions with the future in mind is an excellent example of good stewardship adding that they have made a conscious effort to do something valuable with their property to benefit local species and future generations. As the winner of the Oxford Stewardship Award, M. Doré receives a \$500 gift certificate towards original artwork from local artist Vonnie Snyder, a floral and landscape artist from Ingersoll as well as a gift box filled with products from Jarful Refillery in Woodstock. A photograph of their property will also be on display at the County Administration Building.

Mary Ann Doré and family were in attendance in the Council Chamber and expressed gratitude to County Council for the opportunities and guidance.

6.2 Water Services: Statutory Standard of Care Presentation

With the motion on the floor and prior to the vote, David Simpson, Director of Public Works joins the meeting via WebEx and introduces Don Ford, Manager of Water and Wastewater Services who also joins the meeting via WebEx who proceeds through a PowerPoint presentation, which was provided as part of Council's agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Moved By: Mark Peterson
Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that the information provided in the presentation from Water Services regarding the statutory standard of care be received and considered along with Report No. PW 2023-07 titled "2022 Drinking Water System Performance".

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

D. Ford responds to comments and questions from Deputy Warden Acchione.

7. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Treasury Board Secretariat

February 3, 2023

Re: Release of Ontario's Provincial Emergency Management Strategy and Action Plan

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Moved By: Mark Peterson
Seconded By: Deborah Tait

Resolved that correspondence item 7.1 on the Open meeting agenda of February 22, 2023 be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

8.1 PUBLIC WORKS

8.1.1 PW 2023-07 2022 Drinking Water System Performance

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That County Council receive Report PW 2023-07 entitled "2022 Drinking Water System Performance", including the attached 2022 Annual Drinking Water System Summary Reports.

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Moved By: Deborah Tait

Seconded By: Deb Gilvesy

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. PW 2023-07, titled "2022 Drinking Water System Performance", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.1.2 PW 2023-08 Managed Forest Plan Update: 2022 Review and Operational Activity Forecast

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That County Council receive Report No. PW 2023-08 entitled "Managed Forest Plan Update: 2022 Review and Operational Activity Forecast" for information.

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Moved By: Deborah Tait

Seconded By: Deb Gilvesy

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. PW 2023-08, titled "Managed Forest Plan Update: 2022 Review and Operational Activity Forecast", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.1.3 PW 2023-09 Demolition of County-Owned Facility at 92 Light Street

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That County Council authorize the demolition of the County-owned 92 Light Street facility at an estimated cost of \$584,000 to be funded from the Facilities Reserve, as outlined in Report No. PW 2023-09.

RESOLUTION NO.7

Moved By: Deb Gilvesy
Seconded By: Bernia Wheaton

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. PW 2023-09, titled "Demolition of County-Owned Facility at 92 Light Street", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.2 CAO

8.2.1 CAO 2023-01 Community Safety and Well-being Plan: Safe & Well Oxford – Next Steps

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Report No. CAO 2023-01 entitled "Community Safety and Well-being Plan: Safe & Well Oxford – Next Steps" be received;
2. And further, that Council approve the draft Terms of Reference for the Safe and Well Oxford Steering Committee attached to this report as Attachment 1;
3. And further, that Council support the establishment of the following positions to the Safe and Well Oxford Steering Committee for the current term of Council, commencing March 1, 2023 and ending on November 15, 2026:
 - One representative from the Mental Health and Addictions Action Coalition;
 - One representative from the Housing Action Coalition;
 - One representative from the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Coalition;
 - One representative from a youth community organization;
 - Manager of Strategic Initiatives and Continuous Improvement, Oxford County;
 - One of either a Clerk or CAO from the Area Municipalities;and,

- Two members of County Council;
- 4. And further, that the following two Oxford County Councillors be appointed to the Safe and Well Oxford Steering Committee for this term of Council: Councillors _____ and _____.

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Moved By: Deb Gilvesy
Seconded By: Bernia Wheaton

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. CAO 2023-01, titled "Community Safety and Well-being Plan: Safe & Well Oxford – Next Steps", be adopted;

And further, that Warden Ryan and Councillor Wheaton be appointed to the Safe and Well Oxford Steering Committee for the current term of Council.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.3 CORPORATE SERVICES

8.3.1 CS 2023-06 Investment Activity Report and Policy Review - 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Report No. CS 2023-06 entitled "Investment Activity Report and Policy Review - 2022", for the year ended December 31, 2022, be received as information.

RESOLUTION NO. 9

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton
Seconded By: Phil Schaefer

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2023-06, titled "Investment Activity Report and Policy Review - 2022", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

8.3.2 CS 2023-07 Council Remuneration and Expenses - 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Report No. CS 2023-07 entitled "Council Remuneration and Expenses - 2022", for the year ended December 31, 2022, be received as information.

RESOLUTION NO. 10

Moved By: Bernia Wheaton
Seconded By: Phil Schaefer

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. CS 2023-07, titled "Council Remuneration and Expenses - 2022", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Pending Items

No discussion takes place regarding the Pending Items list.

10. MOTIONS

NIL

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

12. NEW BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES/COMMENTS

12.1 Notice of Study Commencement

Re: Class Environmental Assessment Study and Conceptual Design - William Street Sewage Pumping Station, Tavistock

RESOLUTION NO. 11

Moved By: Phil Schaefer
Seconded By: Jerry Acchione

Resolved that the Notice of Study Commencement regarding the Class Environmental Assessment Study and Conceptual Design - William Street Sewage Pumping Station, Tavistock be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

13. CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 12

Moved By: Phil Schaefer
Seconded By: Jerry Acchione

Resolved that Council rise and go into a Closed Session to consider Report No. HS (CS) 2023-04 and PW (CS) 2023-10 regarding information supplied in confidence to the County by another level of government and a pending acquisition or disposal of lands by the County or local board.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried at 8:25 p.m.

Oxford County Council meets in Closed Session in the Council Chamber as part of a regular meeting, this twenty-second day of February, 2023.

8:26 p.m. with Warden Ryan in the chair.

All members of Council present.

Staff Present

- B. Addley, Interim 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
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DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:

NIL

CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE:

NIL

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

1. HS (CS) 2023-04
2. PW (CS) 2023-10

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

NIL

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NIL

TIME OF COMPLETION OF CLOSED SESSION:

8:47 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 13

Moved By: Jerry Acchione
Seconded By: Jim Palmer

Resolved that Council reconvene in Open session.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried at 8:47 p.m.

14. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

14.1 HS (CS) 2023-04

RESOLUTION NO. 14

Moved By: Jerry Acchione
Seconded By: Jim Palmer

Resolved that the recommendation contained in Report No. HS (CS) 2023-04 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

14.2 PW (CS) 2023-10

RESOLUTION NO. 15

Moved By: Jim Palmer
Seconded By: Brian Petrie

Resolved that the recommendations contained in Report No. PW (CS) 2023-10 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

15. BY-LAWS

15.1 By-Law No. 6509-2023

Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 3741-98 by establishing an all-way stop condition at the intersection of Oxford Road 59 and Oxford Road 33 in East Zorra-Tavistock.

15.2 By-law No. 6510-2023

Being a By-law to amend Schedule "C" of By-law No. 6510-2023, an amendment to By-law 5725-2015, as amended to provide for speed limits on County Roads.

15.3 By-law No. 6511-2023

Being a By-law to repeal By-law No. 4015-2000 and to enact a new By-law to establish Community Safety Zones on certain County roads.

- 15.4 By-law No. 6512-2023
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. 16

Moved By: Brian Petrie
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that the following by-laws be read a first and second time: 6509-2023 to 6512-2023 inclusive.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 17

Moved By: Brian Petrie
Seconded By: David Mayberry

Resolved that the following by-laws be now given a third and final reading: 6509-2023 to 6512-2023 inclusive.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourns its proceedings at 8:49 p.m. until the next meeting scheduled for February 23, 2023 at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes adopted on _____ by Resolution No. _____.

WARDEN

CLERK