

Township of Clearview Council Meeting Minutes

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Clearview met in a hybrid in-person (Stayner Community Centre, 269 Regina St., Stayner) and virtual zoom session on March 11, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

Mayor: Douglas Measures

Deputy Mayor: Paul Van Staveren

Councillors: Ward 1 – Councillor Phyllis Dineen
Ward 2 – Councillor Robert McArthur
Ward 3 – Councillor John Broderick
Ward 4 – Councillor Robert Walker
Ward 5 – Councillor Marty Beelen

Staff: Clerk/Director of Legislative Services, Sasha Helmkey
CAO, John Ferguson
Director of Human Resources, Tammy Gill
Fire Chief, Scott Davison
Director of Planning & Building, Amy Cann
Director of Parks and Recreation, Terry Vachon
Director of Public Works, Dan Perreault
Director of Finance/Treasurer, Kelly McDonald
Deputy Clerk, Krista Pascoe
Community & Culture & Tourism Coordinator, Amanda Murray
Committee Coordinator, Lexi Edwards
Community Planner, Rossalyn Workman
Development Implementation Technologist, Christine Taggart

1. Closed Session (3:00 p.m.)

Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with s. 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001:

(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

Topic for discussion: Climate Action Advisory Committee – Member Appointment

(2) (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

Topic for discussion: Avening Hall Accessibility Renovation – Construction Update

2. Approval of Agenda (5:30 p.m.)

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the Agenda dated March 11, 2024 as presented. Motion Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor Broderick declared an indirect conflict on Staff Report LS-009-2024 and By-law 21-24 relating to the Clearview Chamber of Commerce Lease Agreement as he is the current President.

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren declared an indirect conflict on Staff Report LS-009-2024 relating to the Stayner Garden Club MOU as his wife is a member.

4. Public Participation

Bob Charlton

- Asked when the EV charging stations would be active and available for use

5. Deputations and Presentations

None.

6. Public Meetings

None.

7. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor McArthur, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the Minutes of the February 26, 2024, Council Meeting and February 28, 2024, Planning Public Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

8. Business arising from Minutes (if any)

None.

9. Communications from the Mayor

9.1. Closed Session Report

Avening Hall Accessibility Renovation – Construction Update

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Beelen, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby direct staff to act in accordance with the direction provided in Closed Session regarding the Avening Hall Construction Update. Motion Carried.

Climate Action Advisory Committee – Member Appointment

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby appoint the following six public members to the Climate Action Advisory Committee:

- Jerry Sampson;
- Christopher Miller;
- Owen Gray;
- Kim Pickett;
- Jim Campbell;
- Adam Mannella; and,

That Council appoint Councillor Marty Beelen as the Council Member representative for the Committee; and,

That Council direct staff to amend Appointment By-law 22-101, adding the Climate Action Advisory Committee member appointments. Motion Carried.

9.2. Request for Support - AORS Skills Development Fund Application - Municipal Equipment Operator Course

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Whereas, municipal public works departments from across the Province of Ontario provide invaluable services to our communities ensuring the health and safety of all residents; and,

Whereas, if it was not for our municipal public works employees from across the Province of Ontario maintaining our public roads systems, our communities would not be able to function as emergency personnel could not respond to calls, school buses could not get our children to school, residents would not be able to get to work, school or appointments and many more basic functions would not be able to happen; and,

Whereas, municipal public works departments are already feeling the impacts of a labour shortage, which will only be exasperated over the next three to five years, which will cause levels of service municipalities are able to provide to ensure the health and safety of our residents to decrease; and,

Whereas, there is currently no provincial-wide course that properly trains potential municipal public works employees, specifically relating to municipal heavy equipment.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Clearview hereby supports the work of the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors to develop a Municipal Equipment Operator Course to address this issue; and,

That the Township of Clearview calls on the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades to fully fund the Municipal Equipment Operator Course in 2024 through the Skills Development Fund; and,

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades David Piccinni, MPP of Simcoe-Grey Brian Saunderson and the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors. Motion Carried.

10. County Reports and Information

10.1 Statement – Warden Statement on the 2026 Provincial Recycling Change

10.2 Release – Update on Regional Waste Management Facility

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren stated that the County does not know how recycling will be handled in the future and is currently investigating options to prepare for the Provincial changes.

10.3 Request to Amend Ontario Regulation 391/21 and Ontario Regulation 103/94 Provincial Recycling Collection Changes Information Sheet

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive correspondence from the County of Simcoe regarding the request to Amend Ontario Regulation 391/21 and Ontario Regulation 103/94 and approve sending a letter to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks requesting that the following adjustments be considered:

- 1) Amend Ontario Regulation 391/21 to include small IC&I locations (those generating similar quantities of waste as a residential unit) as eligible sources to ensure Producer Responsibility Organizations are required to service these locations as part of their residential collection contract; and,

- 2) Amend Ontario Regulation 103/94 to expand the application of the IC&I waste regulatory framework to additional businesses and institutions so those IC&I locations not included as eligible sources in Reg 391/21 are required to source separate. Motion Carried.

11. Council Reports and Community Announcements

11.1. Ward Reports

Councillor Walker

- Attended the Planning Public meeting and reminded residents of the upcoming Library Board meeting on the 19th

Councillor Beelen

- Attended the Culture & Sports Hall of Fame Committee meeting
- Congratulated the Creemore Coyotes on winning game 2, game 5 is next week in Creemore

Councillor Dineen

- Attended the Duntroon Hall AGM and reminded residents that the Duntroon Hall is hosting Green Beer Day this Saturday with performances by the Beinn Gorm Highlanders
- Attended the Nottawa Hall Board meeting and is pleased with the amount of bookings
- Reminded residents that it is March Break this week and to be mindful of the children out playing

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren

- Attended the Planning Public meeting, Public Information Centre regarding the Upper Mad River Flood Hazard Study, the Creemore Legions grand re-opening of the new washrooms, the County Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting, Grand opening of Soul Innir G, the Culture & Sports Hall of Fame Committee meeting and will attend County Council tomorrow

Councillor McArthur

- Attended the Creemore Legions grand re-opening of the washrooms
- Congratulations to the Creemore Coyotes who are down 2 – 1
- Reminded residents that Station on the Green is hosting a St. Patrick's Day event on Saturday

Councillor Broderick

- Attended the Planning Public meeting and Clearview Chamber of Commerce meeting

Mayor Measures

- Attended the Creemore Legion's grand re-opening of the washrooms and the Culture & Sports Hall of Fame Committee meeting and encouraged residents to submit a nomination which are open until the end of March
- Stated that he has been working with the CGMH Redevelopment Committee under the Ministry of Health to work on a the hospital redevelopment plan which has been stalled due to a lack of funding. A letter of support regarding a new site which would be situated on donated land was signed by 4 of the 5 surrounding municipalities and has been hand delivered to Simcoe-Grey MPP Brian Saunderson to provide to the Minister of Health

12. Department Reports and By-laws

Administration

Report # CAO-004-2024 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) Memorandum of Understanding

Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report CAO-004-2024 (Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) Memorandum of Understanding) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority and the Township of Clearview; and,
- 2) That Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the MOU on behalf of the Township. Motion Carried.

Public Works

Report # PW-007-2024 – Assumption of Ridgeview Estates Phase 1

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PW-007-2024 (Assumption of Ridgeview Estates Phase 1) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That Council authorize staff to proceed with the assumption of the municipal services within the Ridgeview Estates Subdivision Phase 1, Registered Plan 51M943 File No. 2008-002-SD, Project File No. 0000-011A; and,
- 2) That By-Law 24-19 to assume the municipal services within the Ridgeview Estates Subdivision Phase 1 Lands be presented to Council at the March 11, 2024, meeting; and,

- 3) That Council authorize releasing to the developer the remaining securities and 10% warranty holdback, which ended on October 28, 2023, along with any remaining deposits. Motion Carried.

Planning & Building

Report # PB-007-2024 – Zoning By-law Amendment 2815925 Ontario Ltd., Kuiper

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor McArthur, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PB-007-2024 (Zoning By-law Amendment 2815925 Ontario Ltd., Kuiper) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That a zoning by-law for the lands municipally known as 7674 County Road 91 be presented to Council for approval at the March 25, 2024, meeting. Motion Carried.

Report # PB-008-2024 – Clearview Aviation Business Park CIHAO Request Decision

Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved That Report PB-008-2024 (Clearview Aviation Business Park CIHAO Request Decision) dated March 11, 2024, be received; and,

That staff be authorized to submit a formal request (along with all required materials) to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to consider making a community infrastructure and housing accelerator order for the lands described in Appendix 'A' and in accordance with the draft order provided in Appendix 'C' of report PB-008-2024, subject to the following notes, conditions and amendments:

- i) That Hold Provisions 16 and 17 be carried forward.
- ii) That the following proposed additional uses be removed from the draft order for the reasons outlined in Table 1 of the staff report:
 - Animal Hospital
 - Contractors' Yard
 - Garden Centre
 - Home Improvement Outlet
 - Storage Units
 - Temporary Stockpiles of Aggregate and Topsoil Extracted on the Premises
 - Veterinarian Clinic
- iii) That as a condition of the Order, the Minister require that no use may be established until the following impact and compatibility studies

have been completed by qualified professionals and that no unmitigated use be permitted to be established on a lot or block on the subject lands:

- a. Airport/Flightpath/Obstacle Limitations Impact Assessment for the Collingwood Regional Airport (CNY3).
 - Land Use Compatibility Study for noise, odour, dust, vibration and other emissions for the sensitive land uses in proximity to the lands and the Collingwood Regional Airport (CNY3) in accordance with the province's D-series Guidelines.
- iv) That as a condition of the Order, the Minister require that the Parcel Employment Impact Analysis dated November 20, 2023 be revised and resubmitted to the Ministry to ensure that the viability of the existing local employment areas are not adversely impacted by the proposed additional uses on the subject lands.
- v) That as a condition of the Order, the Minister require that meaningful engagement with the Huron-Wendat and any other indigenous group having interest in the lands be completed to the satisfaction of the Minister and each participating indigenous community group.
- vi) That as a condition of approval the Minister require that the proponent submit a preliminary/updated Functional Servicing Report to the Minister proving serviceability of the lands with full municipal or communal services attributed to the highest use for the existing and proposed additional uses, including a process timeline for the anticipated solution. Motion Carried.

Parks & Recreation

Report # PCR-003-2024 – Stayner Garden Club Memorandum of Understanding Updates

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren recused himself from participating in the discussion and voting on this item.

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor McArthur, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PCR-003-2024 (Stayner Garden Club Memorandum of Understanding Updates) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That Council approve the updated Memorandum of Understanding with the Stayner Garden Club, as attached to Appendix A to this report. Motion Carried.

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren resumed his seat.

Legislative Services

Report # LS-009-2024 Tourism Building Lease Agreement with Clearview Chamber of Commerce

Councillor Broderick recused himself from participating in the discussion and voting on this item.

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report LS-009-2024 (Tourism Building Lease Agreement with Clearview Chamber of Commerce) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That Council approve allowing the Clearview Chamber of Commerce to utilize office space at the Township Tourism Building located at 220 Huron Street, as per the proposed Lease Agreement; and,
- 2) That a by-law outlining the Lease Agreement with the Clearview Chamber of Commerce be presented to Council for approval at the March 11, 2024, meeting. Motion Carried.

Councillor Broderick resumed his seat.

Report # LS-010-2024 Removal of Hall Board Members

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report LS-010-2024 (Removal of Hall Board Members) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That Council direct staff to amend By-law 22-101 (Appointment By-law) to remove the following members:
 - Gary Dzeoba from the Avening Hall Board;
 - Sherry Baker from the Sunnidale Hall Board; and,
 - Ron Millman from the Dunedin Hall Board. Motion Carried.

Report # LS-011-2024 Huronia West OPP Detachment Board Update

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report LS-011-2024 (Huron West OPP Detachment Board Update) dated March 11, 2024; and,

- 1) That Council appoint the following two (2) Council Member representatives to serve on the Joint Huronia West Detachment Board for the current term of Council: Mayor Measures and Councillor Beelen; and,

- 2) That Council support that all members of the Board be paid remuneration in the amount of \$150.00 daily, which is equal to the remuneration paid to the Provincial Appointees, subject to approval by the Township of Springwater and the Town of Wasaga Beach; and,
- 3) That Council direct staff to send out a joint recruitment notice for the three (3) Community Representative Board positions, based on appointment and eligibility requirements outlined in the Community Safety and Policing Act; and,
- 4) That Council supports that the costs for the Huronia West OPP Detachment Board be allocated equally for the year 2024 among the municipalities receive OPP policing services from the detachment, which is currently Clearview, Springwater and Wasaga Beach. Motion Carried.

By-laws

By-law 24-19 Assumption of Ridgeview Estates Subdivision Phase 1

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Be It Resolved that By-law 24-19, being a by-law to assume the municipal services within Phase 1 of the Ridgeview Estates residential plan of subdivision registered as Plan 51M-943 for public use, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11th day of March, 2024. Motion Carried.

By-law 24-20 Zoning By-law Amendment – 100 Grand Trunk Road

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that By-law 24-20, being a by-law to regulate the use of land and the character, location and use of buildings and structures on a portion of the lands municipally known as 100 Grand Trunk Road, Township of Clearview and legally described as Plan 51M1250 BLK 121 formerly Nottawasaga, now Township of Clearview, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11th day of March, 2024. Motion Carried.

By-law 24-21 Lease Agreement – 220 Huron Street

Councillor Broderick recused himself from participating in the discussion and voting on this item.

Recommendation:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor McArthur, Be It Resolved that By-law 24-21, being a by-law to authorize entering into a lease agreement with the Clearview Chamber of Commerce for use of the municipally owned premises known as 220 Huron Street, Stayner, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11th day of March, 2024. Motion Carried.

Councillor Broderick resumed his seat.

13. Notice of Motion/New Business**Councillor Beelen – Request for Township to Pay Station on the Green Water and Sewer Bills****(Motion to be debated and voted on at the March 25, 2024, Meeting)**

Whereas the Township of Clearview owns seven (7) Community Halls that are operated by separate Hall Boards; and,

Whereas the Creemore Station on the Green is the only Community Hall that is on Township Water and Sewer and pays a utility bill to the Township for these services, which is approximately \$1100 annually; and,

Whereas the washrooms located at the Station on the Green are utilized by the public on a year-round basis during the weekends and some weekdays, when the Community Hall is not rented; and,

Whereas this is a community benefit to the Township for use of the washrooms and by members of the public; and,

Whereas the other six (6) Community Halls are not required to provide these additional public services at a cost to the Board as they are on their own wells and septic systems with the Township Water Department providing maintenance for these water systems per regulatory requirements;

Therefore, in recognition of the above community benefit, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve paying for the bi-monthly water and sewer bills for the Station on the Green located at 10 Caroline Street East, Creemore.

Councillor Dineen – Request for Township to Endorse Bill C-63 in the House of Commons**(Motion to be debated and voted on at the March 25, 2024, Meeting)**

Whereas The Canadian Federal Government has drafted Bill C-63, The Online Harms Act, currently in front of Parliament and has had its first reading; and,

Whereas Bill C-63 requires that online tech companies and social media platforms remove child pornography and other dangerous content within 24 hours once the operator identifies the content, while also mandating the following duties:

- Duty to protect children;
- Duty to act responsibly;
- Duty to remove egregious content; and,

Whereas The Canadian Federal Government proposes to establish a “Digital Safety Commission” and nominate an “independent” Ombudsperson to proactively circumvent potential harms on behalf of Canadians; and,

Whereas online tech companies and social media platforms need to adhere to existing Criminal Laws; and,

Whereas online tech companies and social media platforms need to be held accountable to keep platforms safe from predators targeting children and other vulnerable Canadians and to protect them from bullying, hate, extremism, violence, discrimination, self harm, exploitation and sexual extortion that can lead to the most dire of consequences; and,

Whereas Clearview Township, as all Canadians, endeavours to foster safe homes, communities, schools and public spaces;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

- 1) That the Mayor and Council of Clearview Township endorse the passing of Bill C-63 in the House of Commons and the establishment of a “digital safety commission” and nomination of an “independent” Ombudsperson; and,
- 2) That a copy of this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; Terry Dowdell, MP; The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada and The Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice & Attorney General of Canada.

14. By-law to Confirm Proceedings of Council Meeting

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Beelen, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that By-Law 24-22, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the March 11th, 2024 Council Meeting, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11th day of March, 2024. Motion Carried.

15. Motion to Adjourn

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that the Council Meeting adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion Carried.

Original signed by:

Douglas Measures, Mayor

Original signed by:

Sasha Helmkey, Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

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