



CLEARVIEW

## MINUTES

### CLEARVIEW TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Clearview met in a virtual session on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

Mayor: Doug Measures

Deputy Mayor: Barry Burton

Councillors: Ward 1 – Councillor Phyllis Dineen  
Ward 2 – Councillor Doug McKechnie  
Ward 3 – Councillor John Broderick  
Ward 4 – Councillor Robert Walker  
Ward 5 – Councillor Thom Paterson  
Ward 6 – Councillor Connie Leishman (6:18 p.m.)  
Ward 7 – Councillor John Lamers

Staff: Director of Legislative Services/Clerk, Sasha Helmky  
Deputy Clerk, Brenda Falls  
CAO, John Ferguson  
Director of Finance, Kelly McDonald  
Director, Public Works, Mike Rawn  
Committee Coordinator, Cayla Reimer  
Youth Centre Coordinator, Courtney Rogers  
Human Resources Manager, Tammy Gill

#### 1. Closed Session (no items)

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Burton, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the agenda dated June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as presented. Motion Carried.

### **3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

None declared.

### **4. Public Participation**

4.1 Dave Witzke (spraying poison ivy, rail trail 27/28 to Centennial Park section

Mayor Measures addressed all items submitted under Public Participation.

### **5. Deputations & Presentations**

#### **5.1 Michael Ryan, Simcoe County Food Council**

Michael Ryan, Simcoe County Food Council provided a Simcoe County Food Council presentation outlining the blueprint for furthering awareness, coordination and development of approaches designed to enhance food security for all residents in Simcoe County; envision a sustainable, equitable and secure local food system in Simcoe county that recognizes food as a human rights, goals, working tables and networks, policies to address household food insecurity and community food security, household food insecurity nationally, provincially and county, what this means at the municipal level and Simcoe County Good Council members.

Mayor Measures opened the floor to members of Council.

Council members discussed a number of issues.

CAO, John Ferguson to investigate appointing an individual to be a part of the Simcoe County Food Council

Mayor Measures thanked Michael for his presentation on behalf of the Simcoe County Food Council.

#### **5.2 Andrew Turnbull, Past Chair of the Board and Joy Fleury, Executive Director, Habitat for South Georgian Bay**

Andrew Turnbull and Joy Fleury of the Habitat for South Georgian Bay provided a presentation on their program including their Quebec St. building, shared vision, how they work, homeowner qualification and their current project located at 219 John Street, Stayner. They are requesting that the Clearview portion of the Development fees and building permit costs be deferred and or waived.

Mayor Measures opened the floor to members of Council.

Council members had a number of questions and comments.

**FIN-020-2021 (DC and Building Permit Reduction Request – Habitat for Humanity)**

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Approve a 100% decrease in the Clearview portion of Development Charges (DC) fees only, for Habitat for Humanity of South Georgian Bay for their single-family home project located at 219 John Street, Stayner; and,
- 2) Approve that the DC reduction be funded from the tax stabilization reserve.

Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Burton, Seconded by Councillor Leishman, Be It Resolved, that the motion be amended to include a reduction in the building permit fees.

Deputy Mayor Burton and Councillor Leishman withdrew the motion.

Original Motion Carried.

Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Burton, Seconded by Councillor Leishman, Be It Resolved that staff be directed to bring a report back to Council regarding a 100% reduction of the building permit fees with respect to the Habitat for Humanity project at 219 John St. Motion Carried.

**6.** The Public Meeting was held at 6:30 p.m.

**7. Approval of Minutes of Council Meeting**

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve minutes of the June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Council Minutes as presented. Motion Carried.

**8. Business arising from Minutes**

There were none.

**9. Communications from the Mayor**

- 9.1 Closed Session Report (no items)
- 9.2 Township of Rideau Lakes (request for Provincial funding for abandoned cemeteries)
- 9.3 Fierté Simcoe Pride (request for Proclamation and Flag Raising)

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Lamers, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby support the request for proclamation of Fierté Simcoe Pride from July 26<sup>th</sup> to August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and that the Rainbow and Trans flag be raised in celebration of diversity to raise awareness and promote equality on July 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon. Motion Carried.

- 9.4 Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury (request to reopen Personal Service Businesses and Gyms)
- 9.5 NVCA Monthly Newsletter
- 9.6 Enbridge Gas (Ontario Energy Board 2020 Utility Earnings and 2-19 Utility Earnings and Disposition of Deferral & Variance Account Balances Application and Evidence)

Items to be pulled for further discussion:

Councillor Paterson: Item 9.5

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor McKechnie, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive Communications from the Mayor for information. Motion Carried.

Mayor Measures initiated the Public Meeting.

## 6. Public Meeting

### **Council Composition & Ward Boundary Review**

Mayor Measures initiated the procedures for the public meeting.

Director of Legislative Services/Clerk, Sasha Helmkey presented by Council Composition & Ward Boundary Review.

Members of the public were invited to participate in the meeting regarding the Council Composition and Ward Boundary Review by either providing written comments or to make an oral statement virtually during the meeting. Submissions were to be provided by noon on Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The Township did not receive any submissions to make an oral statement, but did receive the following written comments:

#### **Robert Charlton**

- supports the option to reduce the number of wards to five
- reducing number of councillors from 7 to 5 would increase the representation ration from 1
- cost savings of over \$42,000 annually and more going forward as wages increase for councillors
- fewer councillors should see reduction of time spent at Council meeting since fewer people would be involved in debates and there would be fewer ward reports
- don't support at large system

#### **Jean Brownfield**

- support for 5 ward structure
- at large system already struck down by council
- township of this size grossly over-represented

#### **Kieth Carter**

- supports 7 member council
- a streamlined smaller council is a more efficient council
- small cost savings
- some councillors have a very small area and density and could easily be covered by the remaining council members
- present size of council has never made sense

**Creemore Area Residents' Association (CARA)**

- adopt 5 ward structure – 7 member council
- 7 member council will provide effective representation for all Clearview residents
- no need for or to justify cost of continuing with a 9 person council

Mayor Measures opened the floor to members of Council

**Councillor Paterson**

- also looking at how Council meets in terms of efficiencies
- will the Clerk be taking further written comments?

**Councillor McKechnie**

- ward amalgamation for Stayner area - something to look at for future review

**Councillor Broderick**

- all Councillors responsible for entire municipality
- Councillor Broderick and Councillor Walker responding to all calls in Stayner area

The Clerk advised that a staff report will be provided at the July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Council Meeting for Councils' decision.

As there were no further comments Mayor Measures concluded the Council Composition Ward Boundary Public Meeting.

**10. County Reports & Information**

- 10.1 County publishes annual report card on 10-Year Affordable Housing and Homelessness Prevention Strategy
- 10.2 County investing in affordable housing in Bradford West Gwillimbury
- 10.3 County awards 2021 Tourism, Culture and Sport Grants

**Resolution:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Burton, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Receive County reports for information. Motion Carried.

## **11. Council Reports & Community Announcements**

### 11.1 Ward Reports

#### **Councillor Walker**

- looking forward to moving forward to next phase
- July 1st – opening night of farmers market in Stayner

#### **Councillor Dineen**

- congratulations to graduates
- stay safe during holidays

#### **Councillor McKecknie**

- Creemore BIA will be holding a special meeting to discuss outdoor patios extending onto road

#### **Councillor Broderick**

- Clearview Accessibility committee meeting
- Clearview Library Board meeting
- Clearview Chamber of Commerce meeting
- Opening of farmers market – Stayner
- Stayner Public Library – recipient of design transformation award from Ontario Library Association

#### **Councillor Lamers**

- Avening & Brentwood Hall Board Meetings
- looking for more members on the Brentwood Hall Board
- received complaints – 4 wheelers

#### **Councillor Leishman**

- Stayner Library received "Architectural and Design Transformation Award"
- congratulate graduates in Clearview
- Happy Canada Day

#### **Councillor Paterson**

- congratulations to 2021 grads
- Happy Canada Day
- fireworks reminder

**Deputy Mayor Burton**

- congratulate graduates
- Happy Canada day
- attended County Council meetings
- NEC meeting – application received for an additional accessibility suite

**Mayor Measures**

- request from citizen to lower flags in recognition of discovery of burials at former residential school in Saskatchewan
- received call, emails regarding indigenous land acknowledgment, will bring information to the August or September council meeting
- CAO, John Ferguson provided plans for opening administration centre July 5<sup>th</sup>
- celebrate Canada Day

**12. Department Reports****COMMUNITY SERVICES****CS-037-2021 (Committee of Adjustment - June 2021)**Resolution:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Burton, Seconded by Councillor Lamers, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Receive CS-037-2021 Committee of Adjustment – June 2021) report for information.  
Motion Carried.

**PARKS, CULTURE & RECREATION****PCR-013-2021 (Youth Centre Summer 2021 operations)**Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Receive PCR-013-2021 (Youth Centre Summer 2021 operations) report for information. Motion Carried.



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**PCR-014-2021 (Stayner Downtown Open Space Improvement Plan Phase One Funding)**Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Receive PCR-014-2021 (Stayner Downtown Open Spaces Improvement Plan Phase One Funding) report for information; and,
- 2) Approve utilizing the Budgeted Items and Capitol Grants reserve to offset the balance of \$435,577 for the overall project of Phase One of the Stayner Downtown Revitalization Project. Motion Carried.

**HUMAN RESOURCES****HR-001-2021 (Purchase Accessible Swings)**Resolution

Moved by Deputy Mayor Burton, Seconded by Councillor Leishman, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Approve the purchase of four (4) Accessible swings for use within Clearview parks; and,
- 2) That it be funded from the Accessible Capital Budget. Motion Carried.

**FINANCE****FIN-019-2021 (Clearview Bank Card & Incoming Money Transfer Procedure)**Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved, that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby:

- 1) Receive the Clearview Bank Card and Incoming Money Transfer procedure report for information.
- 2) Approve the Clearview Bank Card & Incoming Money Transfer Procedure 2018-004 Revision #1. Motion Carried.

**13. Notice of Motion/New Business**

No items.

**14. By-Law to Confirm Proceedings of Council Meeting**Resolution:

Moved by Councillor McKechnie, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved, that By-Law 21-68, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Council Meeting, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021. Motion Carried.

**15. Motion to Adjourn**Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved, that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:50 pm. Motion Carried.

Original signed by:  
Mayor  
Clerk

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