

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 11, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.
CLOSED SESSION PRIOR TO OPEN SESSION AT 1:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KENILWORTH
HYBRID MEETING - IN PERSON AND VIA WEB CONFERENCING
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Members Present: Mayor: Andrew Lennox
Councillors: Sherry Burke
Lisa Hern (via Zoom)
Steve McCabe
Penny Renken

Staff Present:
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk: Karren Wallace
Deputy Clerk: Catherine Conrad
Executive Assistant to CAO: Tasha Grafos
Director of Finance: Jeremiah Idialu
Human Resources Manager: Amy Tollefson
Chief Building Official: Darren Jones
Senior Project Manager: Tammy Stevenson
Manager of Transportation Services: Dale Clark
Manager Environment & Development Services: Corey Schmidt
Manager Community & Economic Development: Mandy Jones
Economic Development Officer: Robyn Mulder
Economic Development Officer: Dale Small
Community Development Coordinator: Mike Wilson
Deputy Fire Chief: Callise Loos
Senior Planner: Jessica Rahim

CALLING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: 2024-074

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Agenda for the March 11, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Burke declared an indirect pecuniary interest with a portion of Items for Consideration, 2. Planning, b. Report DEV 2024-008, Notice of Decision Received for Consent Applications B92-23, B93-23, B100-23 and B101-23 as her employer prepared appendices on previous reports for applications B92-23 and B93-23.

Councillor Hern declared a deemed pecuniary interest with Passage of By-laws Arising From Public Meeting, a. By-law Number 022-24 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North (Concession

5, Lot 24 with civic address of 7582 Sideroad 9 West – Stuart Wright and Wriighthaven Farms Ltd.) as she is in the prescribed notification area of the consent application.

CLOSED MEETING SESSION

The meeting is closed pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, specifically:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

RESOLUTION: 2024-075

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North go into a meeting at 1:33 p.m. that is closed to the public under subsection 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, specifically:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

CARRIED

1. REPORTS

- INF 2024-003 Sale Closed Road Allowance

2. REVIEW OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

- January 29, 2024

3. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING SESSION

RESOLUTION: 2024-076

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North rise from a closed meeting session at 1:35 p.m.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-077

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report INF 2024-003 Sale Closed Road Allowance;

AND THAT Council approve the confidential direction to staff.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-078

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the Closed Meeting Minutes of the January 29, 2024 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

O'CANADA

RECESS TO MOVE INTO MEETINGS UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

RESOLUTION: 2024-079

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North recess the March 11, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council at 2:02 p.m. for the purpose of holding meetings under the Planning Act.

CARRIED

PUBLIC MEETING

- Stuart Wright and Wriighthaven Farms Ltd., Zoning By-law Amendment
- Mapleton Pork Ltd. c/o Rik Altena, Zoning By-law Amendment

RESUME REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

RESOLUTION: 2024-080

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North resume the March 11, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council at 2:24 p.m.

CARRIED

PASSAGE OF BY-LAWS ARISING FROM PUBLIC MEETING

- a. By-law Number 022-24 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North.

Councillor Hern left the meeting as she had previously declared a pecuniary interest.

RESOLUTION: 2024-081

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT By-law Number 022-24 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North be read and passed. (Concession 5, Lot 24 with civic address of 7582 Sideroad 9 West – Stuart Wright and Wriighthaven Farms Ltd.)

CARRIED

Councillor Hern returned to the meeting.

- b. By-law Number 023-24 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North.

RESOLUTION: 2024-082

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT By-law Number 023-24 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North be read and passed. (Part of Lot 18, Concession 3; Part of Lot 24, EOSR, Divisions 1-4 with a civic address of 7738 Sideroad 8 East – Mapleton Pork Ltd, c/o Rik Altena)

CARRIED

DEPUTATIONS

1. Helen Edwards, Seniors' Centre for Excellence, and Kay Ayres
 - Requesting Council approve their grant request in the amount of \$10,000

Ms. Edwards appeared before Council requesting that Council approve their grant request to support the Seniors' Centre for Excellence and the ACE coordinator position. The coordinator arranges and hosts Zoom sessions, creates the monthly newsletter, and maintains social media. The programs have become important to seniors to keep them connected with their community and reduce the barriers of isolation, especially in rural areas.

Kay Ayres, a senior in Wellington North who deals with other seniors, explained how important it is that they have access to the outside world within their own homes. The ACE coordinator has taught seniors how to navigate the computer and brings knowledge and entertainment into their homes noting it is money well invested.

Mayor Lennox confirmed with Ms. Edwards that an application for the grants program had been submitted and they are aware of the timelines.

QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

No questions on agenda items were tabled.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND PUBLIC MEETING

1. Regular Meeting of Council, February 26, 2024

RESOLUTION: 2024-083

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 26, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

No business arising from previous meetings of Council.

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

2b, 5a, 7a, 7b, 7c, 8a, 8c

ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION: 2024-084

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT all items listed under Items for Consideration on the March 11, 2024 Council agenda, with the exception of those items identified for separate discussion, be approved and the recommendations therein be adopted:

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting held on February 15th, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Township of Wellington North Growth Management Action Plan Project Advisory Committee Meeting #2 held on February 20th, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Planning Report prepared by Jessica Rahim, Senior Planner, dated March 1, 2024, regarding Gwen and Donald Cormack, 9724 Highway 6, Mount Forest, Zoning By-law Amendment (ZBA 23/23).

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report C&ED 2024-008 on the Tourism Growth Program;
AND THAT Council supports the application being submitted in partnership with the Town of Minto and Town of Hanover.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Vendor Cheque Register Report dated February 29, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report TR2024-002 being an update on the Sublease agreements at 110 Charles St., Arthur;
AND THAT Council direct staff to renew the Sublease agreements in accordance with previous terms and conditions;
AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized and directed to take such action and authorize such documents necessary or advisable.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report INF 2024-004 award of the Structure 9 project;
AND THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign any necessary agreements with Roubos Farm Services Limited to execute the Structure 9 project.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information correspondence from Wellington Federation of Agriculture, Barclay Nap, President, regarding Zoning By-law 23-23 – 9724 Highway 6.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information correspondence from Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority, Erik Downing, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer (Acting), dated February 23rd, 2024, regarding changes to Section 28 and 29 Regulations effective April 1, 2024.

CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION

Councillor Burke left the council chambers as she had previously declared a pecuniary interest.

RESOLUTION: 2024-085

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report DEV 2024-008 regarding the Notice of Decision for the following

Consent Applications, received from the County of Wellington Planning and Land Division Committee:

- B92-23, David Fletcher, Pt Lt 13, Div 2, 3 & 4 Conc EOSR, Pt Lt 12, Division 4, Conc EOSR known as 9427 Highway 6 and the lands geographically located directly north west of 9427 Highway 6 (Lot Line Adjustment);
- B93-23, Leroy Shantz, Part Lot 13, Divisions 2, 3 & 4, Conc EOSR known as 7340 Sideroad 5 East along with the land directly to the southwest (Lot Line Adjustment);

CARRIED

Councillor Burke returned to the meeting.

RESOLUTION: 2024-086

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report DEV 2024-008 regarding the Notice of Decision for the following Consent Applications, received from the County of Wellington Planning and Land Division Committee:

- B100-23, Gwen & Donald Cormack, Part Lot 6, Divisions 3 & 4, WOSR known as 9724 Highway 6 and 9754 Highway 6 (Lot Line Adjustment);
- B101-23, Mapleton Pork Ltd. c/o Rik Altena, Part Lot 18, Concession 3, Part Lot 24, EOSR, Divisions 1, 2, 3 & 4 known as 7738 Sideroad 8 East (Severance)

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-087

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Wellington North Fire Service Annual Report 2023.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-088

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CLK 2024-007 cemetery full cost recovery;

AND THAT if Council wishes to move to full cost recovery that a 3-year phase in approach be adopted effective May 1, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT the fees and charges by-law be amended to reflect the 2024 increase.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-089

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report CLK 2024-007 Mount Forest Cemetery Entrance Repair update.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-090

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CLK 2024-008 noise by-law;

AND THAT staff be directed to bring the by-law to a future meeting of Council;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the By-law to enact a Noise By-law and repeal By-law 5000-05.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-091

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information the Grand River Conservation Authority Budget 2024 and Summary of Municipal Apportionment.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-092

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information County of Wellington, Planning Committee Report, dated February 8, 2024, regarding Bill 150 – Planning Statute Law Amendment Act, 2023.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

No notice of motion

COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

No community group meeting program reports tabled.

BY-LAWS

- a. By-law Number 018-2024 being a by-law to amend By-law 105-2023 being a by-law to establish the fees and charges for water and sewer services provided by the municipality and to repeal By-law 138-2022
- b. By-law Number 019-2024 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North (Plan Town of Mount Forest Part Park Lot 4 RP 61R22383 Parts 2 & 3, Geographic Town of Mount Forest with a municipal address of 440 Wellington St. E., Mount Forest, 5053745 Ontario Inc.)

- c. By-law Number 020-2024 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North (WOSR Part Lot 6 Division 3 to 4 RP60R2342 Parts 1 to 3 61R8418 Part 4, 9724 Highway 6, Cormack)

RESOLUTION: 2024-093

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT By-law Number 018-2024, 019-2024 and 020-2024 be read and passed.

CARRIED

CULTURAL MOMENT

- In Recognition of International Women's Day, celebrating Rae Luckock

Born in 1893 as Margarett Rae Morrison to James Morrison and Margaret Blyth, Rae Luckock grew up on a farm 2 kilometres south of Arthur, until moving to Toronto in the 1920s.

In 1943, she was elected alongside Agnes Macphail (the first woman elected to the federal House of Commons) as the first women elected to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario (Queen's Park), both as members of the Ontario Co-operative Commonwealth Federation – a pre-cursor to the New Democratic Party of Ontario.

Rae followed in the political footsteps of her father J.J. Morrison, who in 1914 helped found the United Farmers of Ontario (UFO). More information on Morrison can be found on a plaque beside the old County Registry Office (present day Hunter Tax Management Ltd.) in Arthur.

While in the Legislature, Mrs. Luckock served as her party's Education Critic and promoted the idea of free university tuition and improved rural education. She campaigned for the equality of women by advocating equal pay for equal work and pay for homemakers and raised environmental issues such as deforestation during House debates.

Luckock was also co-founder of the Housewives Consumers Association (HCA), which pushed for affordable food, such as milk, as prices rose. In 1948, Luckock led a 500-strong HCA delegation to Ottawa to deliver a petition with over 700,000 signatures to Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King demanding rollbacks of food prices. The campaign resulted in the federal government acting against milling and baking companies for artificially fixing the price of bread.

After leaving provincial politics, Luckock became president of the peace organization Congress of Canadian Women and travelled around the globe working toward world disarmament. Sadly, in the 1950s, Luckock developed Parkinson's Disease and spent the last years of her life in hospital, passing away in 1972. She is buried in Greenfield Cemetery outside of Arthur.

In his book "After You Agnes – Mrs. Rae Luckock MPP," author Michael Dawber notes that the "name of Rae Luckock is virtually unknown, but as a tireless defender of women and a singular figure in Ontario History, she deserves better."

Submitted by Tim McIntosh, Wellington North Cultural Roundtable

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION: 2024-094

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT By-law Number 024-2024 being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North at its Regular Meeting held on March 11, 2024 be read and passed.

ADJOURNMENT

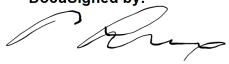
RESOLUTION: 2024-095

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Regular Council meeting of March 11, 2024 be adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

CARRIED

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