

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 3, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KENILWORTH
HYBRID MEETING - IN PERSON AND VIA WEB CONFERENCING
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PJP-ybIW4jQ>**

Members Present: Mayor: Andrew Lennox
Councillors: Sherry Burke (via zoom) 2:08 p.m.
Steve McCabe
Penny Renken

Members Absent: Councillor: Lisa Hern

Staff Present:

Chief Administrative Officer:	Brooke Lambert
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 Community & Economic Development:	Mandy Jones
Recreation Service Manager:	Tom Bowden
Director of Fire Services:	Chris Harrow
Manager of Development Planning:	Curtis Marshall
Senior Planner:	Jessica Rahim
Drainage Engineer:	Neal Morris

CALLING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: 2024-181

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Agenda for the June 3, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

No disclosure of pecuniary interest. Councillor Burke joined the meeting at 2:08 pm and declared an interest later in the meeting.

O'CANADA

RECESS TO MOVE INTO MEETINGS UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

RESOLUTION: 2024-182

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North recess the June 3, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council at 2:04 p.m. for the purpose of holding meetings under the Planning Act.

CARRIED

PUBLIC MEETING

- WT Land Corp (St John’s Evangelical Lutheran Church), Zoning By-law Amendment 08/24

RESUME REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

RESOLUTION: 2024-183

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North resume the June 3, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council at 2:23 p.m.

CARRIED

QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

No registration of questions on agenda items.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND PUBLIC MEETING

1. Regular Meeting of Council, May 21, 2024

RESOLUTION: 2024-184

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 21, 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

- 2a. 2b. 3b. 4a. 6a.

ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Councillor Burke disclosed a pecuniary interest with the following:

- a. Planning Report, prepared by Curtis Marshall, Manager of Development Planning, dated May 22, 2024, regarding Macdonald’s Survey Pt Lots G, H & I, RP 61R22213, Pt 1, Mount Forest, ZBA 03/23 – Betty Dee
- b. Report DEV 2024-015, Notice of Decision Received for Consent Applications B13-24 & B25-24

For the following reason:

- appendices for both items were prepared by her employer.

RESOLUTION: 2024-185

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT all items listed under Items For Consideration on the June 3, 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 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Board of Directors Meeting held on March 21, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority Membership Meeting #4-2024 held on April 17, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Grand River Conservation Authority Summary of the General Membership Meeting held on May 24, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2024-006 being the Building Permit Review for the month of April 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report C&ED 2024-025 Community Improvement Plan;

AND THAT Council approve a Façade Improvement Grant in the amount of \$2,500 to the Mount Forest Museum and Archives.

AND THAT Council approve a Façade Improvement Grant in the amount of \$250 to Saugeen Community Radio Inc.

AND THAT Council approve a Façade Improvement Grant in the amount of \$2,500 to Coburn Insurance Brokers Ltd.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report INF 2024-010 being a report on Spring Traffic Counts;

AND THAT Council direct staff to revise the fees and charges by-law associated with traffic count data request to include a nominal fee of \$30 per location.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report receive Report CLK 2024-016 being a report to set the Council meeting schedule for 2025;

AND THAT Council approves the Council meeting schedule for 2025.

CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION

Councillor Burke turned her camera off and did not participate.

RESOLUTION: 2024-186

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Planning Report, prepared by Curtis Marshall, Manager of Development Planning, dated May 22, 2024, regarding Macdonald's Survey Pt Lots G, H & I, RP 61R22213, Pt 1, Mount Forest, ZBA 03/23 – Betty Dee.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-187

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report DEV 2024-015 regarding the Notice of Decision for the following Consent Applications, received from the County of Wellington Planning and Land Division Committee:

- B13-24 Reginald & Shirley Small, Part Lot 2, Concession 12 known as 9598 Lover's Lane in the former Arthur Township (Severance); and
- B25-24 1648308 Ontario Limited, Part Park Lot 1, South of Clyde St., Plan Town of Mount Forest with no civic address on Ayrshire Street in the Town of Mount Forest (Easement)

CARRIED

Councillor Burke rejoined the meeting via zoom.

RESOLUTION: 2024-188

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2024-007 being a report on the Review of Swimming Pool Enclosure By-law 45-08.

AND THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North finds it appropriate to prevent unintentional injury and drowning caused by the failure of property owners to provide and erect approved and acceptable swimming pool enclosures.

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North does not support reductions or exemptions in Swimming Pool Enclosure requirements.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-189

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report C&ED 2024-023 Municipal Tree Framework.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-190

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report receive Report CLK 2024-015 being a report to approve the final engineer's report for the proposed drainage works for Arthur Drain 6;

AND THAT Council hereby approves the final Engineer's report dated April 17, 2024, prepared by K. Smart Associates Limited file No. 22-168;

AND FURTHER THAT Council give first and second reading to a provisional by-law to adopt the final engineers report;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign the provisional by-law to adopt the final engineers report;

AND FURTHER THAT Council set the date for the Court of Revision as July 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. to hear any appeals filed in this matter.

AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Township of Wellington North hereby appoint the following individuals to sit on the Court of Revision

- Councillor Burke
- Councillor McCabe and
- Councillor Renken

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law to appoint those members to the Court of revision.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

No notice of motion tabled

COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Councillor Burke (Ward 2):

- Town of Hanover Economic Development Symposium

Councillor McCabe (Ward 4):

- Tiny homes seminar held in Holstein

Mayor Lennox:

- Lifetime Lumber grand opening and Sandwich shop in Arthur

BY-LAWS

- By-law Number 047-2024 being a by-law to appoint a Fire Prevention Officer (Cameron Forbes)
- By-law Number 048-2024 being a by-law to provide for the levy of drain maintenance costs on various drainage works in the Township of Wellington North in the County of Wellington
- By-law Number 049-2024 being a Provisional Drain By-law to provide for the construction of Arthur Drain 6 Drainage Works
- By-law Number 050-2024 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North (MACDONALD'S SURVEY PT LOTS G; H AND I, RP 61R22213 PART 1, Geographic Town of Mount Forest, Betty Dee)

RESOLUTION: 2024-191

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT By-law Number 049-2024 be read a first and second time and provisionally adopted.

CARRIED

Councillor Burke had disclosed a pecuniary interest with the following by-law and turned her camera off and did not participate

RESOLUTION: 2024-192

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

That By-law Number 050-2024 be read and passed.

CARRIED

Councillor Burke rejoined the meeting via Zoom.

RESOLUTION: 2024-193

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT By-law Number 047-2024 and 048-2024 be read and passed.

CARRIED

CULTURAL MOMENT

- Celebrating the York Soaring Association

The York Soaring Association was founded in 1961 by Walter Chmela, who came to Canada from his native Austria in 1950. Operations commenced when Walter personally purchased two Doppleraab two-seat trainers and an Auster as a tow-plane. Walter realized that the future of York Soaring was dependent upon the club owning its own airfield. In 1969, he purchased the field the club still operates on today in the former West Garafraxa.

The field was initially a 100-acre property, 8 kilometres east of Arthur and, upon purchasing it, a hangar was built and a single 2,000-foot east-to-west runway was graded. A few years later, an adjoining 100-acre property was added and a northwest-to-southeast runway, as well as a southwest-to-northeast runway was built. Another larger hangar was added for club aircraft and the original hangar was left for use by private owners.

York Soaring has an active social committee that puts on regular barbecues and fundraising dinners. Their next big event is on Saturday, June 22, when York Soaring hosts an Antique Aircraft Fly-In, starting at 10:00 AM and ending at sunset. More information can be found at yorksoaring.com.

York Soaring also has a group that specializes in mentoring badge and cross-country flying, and others that take part in excursions to other flying venues around the world such as the United States, France, and New Zealand. York Soaring is also the home base of Youth Flight Canada (YFC) and Freedom's Wings. YFC provides bursaries to deserving young people who need financial assistance to fly. YFC pays 50% of their nominal membership fee and all but \$5.00 of each flight.

In May 2007, Walter received national recognition for his almost 70 years of service to soaring by being inducted into the Canadian Aviation Hall of Fame.

Having grown up on the farm next to the club, it was one of Bonny McDougall's jobs to go to the area at the end of the runway and look for tow ropes. They would occasionally snap off the tow planes as they were coming in for landing.

"When I found one, I would take it back to the hanger and have a visit with Walter and after I was 16, I got a complimentary glider ride with him. They were and continue to be wonderful neighbours."

The older gliders have all been replaced with 6 updated planes being basic trainers and high-performance trainers, as well as increasing the tow planes from 2 to 4.

By following the vision for York Soaring that Walter had almost 50 years ago, York Soaring continues to bring new members into the very special world of soaring. Whatever your age or physical ability, you are welcome at York Soaring. It's getting better all the time.

Submitted by Bonny McDougall, Wellington North Cultural Roundtable

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION: 2024-194

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT By-law Number 051-2024 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 June 3, 2024 be read and passed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION: 2024-195

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Regular Council meeting of June 3, 2024 be adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

CARRIED

DocuSigned by:

MAYOR

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Karren Wallace
CLERK