

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 26, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KENILWORTH
HYBRID MEETING - IN PERSON AND VIA WEB CONFERENCING
[August 26, 2024, Township of Wellington North Council meeting \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)**

Members Present: Mayor: Andrew Lennox
Councillors: Sherry Burke
Lisa Hern
Steve McCabe
Penny Renken

Staff Present:
Chief Administrative Officer: Brooke Lambert
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk: Karren Wallace
Deputy Clerk: Catherine Conrad
Executive Assistant to the CAO: Tasha Grafos
Director of Finance: Jeremiah Idialu
Chief Building Official: Darren Jones
Manager Community & Economic Development: Mandy Jones
Recreation Service Manager: Tom Bowden
Manager of Development Planning: Curtis Marshall

CALLING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: 2024-266

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT the Agenda for the August 26, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Burke advised that she had a pecuniary interest with the following items on the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for August 12, 2024 meeting for which she was not in attendance:

Items for Consideration:

2. Planning

b. Report DEV 2024-024, Community Living Guelph Wellington,

c. Report DEV 2024-025, Notice of Decision Received for Consent Applications B18-24, B43-24 & B45-24

for the following reason:

Her employer prepared appendices for the applications or had previously worked on the applications.

O'CANADA

PRESENTATIONS

1. Kate Rowley
 - Lynes Blacksmith Shop Project Committee

Ms. Rowley appeared before Council to review the history of Lynes Blacksmith Shop Project Committee, provide an update on the work at the Lynes Blacksmith Shop, and request a bridge loan of up to \$125,000.00 at 0% interest for 18 months to remove and replace the roof.

RESOLUTION: 2024-267

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report C&ED 2024-036 being a report on the Lynes Blacksmith Shop;

AND THAT Council approve a bridge loan not to exceed \$125,000 for roof repairs on the Lynes Blacksmith Shop;

AND THAT Council directs staff to prepare a loan agreement with the Lynes Blacksmith Shop in the amount of \$125,000.00 at a zero percent interest rate for a period of 18 months;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law to enter into the agreement.

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, August 12, 2024

RESOLUTION: 2024-268

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on August 12, 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

1c, 2a, 3a, 4a, 4b

ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION: 2024-268

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT all items listed under Items For Consideration on the August 26, 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 Mount Forest Business Improvement Area Association Meeting held on August 13, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Arthur Business Improvement Area meeting held on June 26, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2024-010 being the Building Permit Review for the month of June 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2024-011 being the Building Permit Review for the month of July 2024.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Vendor Cheque Register Report dated August 19, 2024.

CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION

RESOLUTION: 2024-269

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Renken

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

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-270

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the selection of the following entries as winners of the 25th Anniversary of Amalgamation Art Contest:

- Entry No. 13
- Entry No. 14
- Entry No. 19

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North direct staff to move forward with the reproduction of these entries to be displayed in a suitable location at a Township-owned building.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-271

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the Cultural Events Funding and Sponsorship funding a further \$116.94 to Four Corners Quilters' Guild to provide a contingency for other necessary materials needed.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-272

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Planning Report, prepared by Jessica Rahim, Senior Planner, County of Wellington, dated August 15, 2024, regarding 61R22383 Part of Park Lot 4, 440 Wellington St. E, Mount Forest, Zoning By-law Amendment (ZBA 16/24) Removal of Holding (H) Provision.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-273

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2024-009 being the Building Permit Review for the month of May 2024.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2024-275

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report C&ED 2024-037;

AND THAT Council designate the Mount Forest Fireworks Festival, Arthur Optimist Canada Day Celebration, and Louise Marshall Hospital Foundation Fundraising Gala as signature events;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the new Community Grants and Donations Program as Attachment A (policy 009-2024).

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

No notice of motion tabled.

COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Councillor Renken (Ward 1):

- Culture Days September 20th to October 13, 2024

Councillor Burke (Ward 2):

- Mount Forest Lions Club is hosting their first annual Dinner and Dance for a Cure fundraiser for childhood cancer research on September 7th

- Mount Forest Aquatic Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee is planning to host a fundraising Christmas Home Tour.

Councillor Hern (Ward 3):

- Arthur Chamber of Commerce is looking for directors

Councillor McCabe (Ward 4):

- There are four new members to ROMA Board. The next meeting is September 28th
- Congratulations to the Elora Mohawks on winning the Junior B National title. There are several local young men on the team

Mayor Lennox:

- AMO Conference:
 - Delegation with MTO – thanked them for their support with the recently completed connecting link project.
 - Met with Ministry of Infrastructure regarding the Arthur Waste Water Treatment Plant upgrade project. They indicated additional funding in a new intake for that program.
 - Various conversations regarding rural municipalities not getting credit for building housing in our communities collectively and how to get the province to recognize our collective efforts. i.e. Growth in Wellington County is similar to the City of Guelph; but the County has not been assigned a housing target by the province and local municipalities do not receive funding.
 - Delegation with Minister of Sport to discuss the Mount Forest Pool project and funding for sport programs announced. Parks and Recreation Ontario was also part of this delegation.

BY-LAWS

- a. By-law Number 072-2024 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Winter Maintenance Agreement between Integrated Maintenance and Operations Service Inc. operating under the name “Owen Sound Highway Maintenance Limited” (IMOS) and The Corporation of the Township of Wellington North
- b. By-law Number 073-2024 being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 66-01 being the Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North.
- c. By-law Number 074-2024 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Tourism Growth Contribution Agreement between His Majesty the King in Right of Canada and The Corporation of the Township of Wellington North

RESOLUTION: 2024-276

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Renken

THAT By-law Number 072-2024, 073-2024 and 074-2024 be read and passed.

CARRIED

CULTURAL MOMENT

- Celebrating Jack Benham

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION: 2024-277

Moved: Councillor Renken

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT By-law Number 075-2024 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 August 26 be read and passed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT


RESOLUTION: 2024-278

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Regular Council meeting of August 26, 2024 be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Signed by:

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MAYOR

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Karren Wallace
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CLERK