



Council Minutes
Tuesday, April 16, 2024 6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers

Council Present:

Mayor Dave Turton
Councillor Judy Dirksen
Deputy Mayor Jean Anderson
Councillor Ron Elliott
Councillor Geoff Gunson
Councillor Ed Podniewicz
Councillor Paul Zimmerman

Staff Present:

Annilene McRobb, Clerk
Chris Harrow, Interim CAO - Operations/Director of Fire Services
Mark Potter, Interim CAO - Administration/Deputy Treasurer
Belinda Wick-Graham, Director of Economic and Community Development
Gordon Duff, Treasurer
Quinn Foerter, Deputy Clerk/Coordinator, Legislative & Human Resource Services

1. Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests Under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act None
3. Motion to Convene into Closed Session

RESOLUTION: 2024-077

Moved By: Councillor Elliott; Seconded By: Councillor Gunson

THAT the Council of the Town of Minto conduct a meeting Closed to the public to consider the following:

- a. Closed session minutes of April 2, 2024 and April 5, 2024
- b. Third-party information supplied in confidence to the municipality (239(2)(i))-
Harriston Industrial Park

Carried

4. Motion to Convene into Open Session

RESOLUTION: 2024-078

Moved By: Councillor Zimmerman; Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Anderson

THAT Council of the Town of Minto resume into open Council.

Carried

5. Reporting Out of Closed

RESOLUTION: 2024-079

Moved By: Councillor Dirksen; Seconded By: Councillor Gunson

THAT Council received the Closed Session report regarding Third Party Information Supplied in Confidence to the Municipality - Harriston Industrial Park for information.

Carried

6. Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. Regular Council Minutes of April 2, 2024

b. Special Council Minutes of April 5, 2024

c. Closed Session Minutes of April 2, 2024

d. Closed Session Minutes of April 5, 2024

RESOLUTION: 2024-080

Moved By: Councillor Podniewicz; Seconded By: Councillor Elliott

THAT minutes of the Town of Minto April 2, 2024 and April 5, 2024 Closed Session meeting, April 2, 2024 Regular Council and April 5, 2024 Special Council meeting be approved.

Carried

7. Resolution Moving Council into Committee of the Whole to Consider Public Meetings, Delegations, Public Question Period, Correspondence, Reports, Motions for Which Notice Has Been Previously Given and Other Business

RESOLUTION: 2024-081

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Anderson; Seconded By: Councillor Podniewicz

THAT the Town of Minto Council convenes into Committee of the Whole.

Carried

8. Public Meeting -None
9. Delegations -None
10. Public Question Period No one came forward.
11. Correspondence Received for Information or Requiring Direction of Council
 - a. Maitland Valley Conservation Authority, Minutes of January 24 2024
 - b. Maitland Source Protection Authority, Minutes of January 24 2024
 - c. Mapleton Seniors Centre for Excellence, April 2024 Newsletter
 - d. 2024 OSUM Conference
 - e. Woman for Ontario Say No, Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

MOTION: COW 2024-057

Moved by Councillor Elliott: Seconded by Councillor Zimmerman

Whereas, all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace; Whereas, municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse; Whereas, several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils; Whereas, these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and lower public perceptions of local governments; Whereas, municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of council member behaviour; Whereas, municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct; Now, therefore be it resolved that The Town of Minto supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments; Also be it resolved that the legislation encompass the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

- Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment • Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario
- Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province
- Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner
- Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office.

Carried

MOTION: COW 2024-058

Moved By: Councillor Dirksen; Seconded By: Councillor Zimmerman

THAT Council of the Town of Minto receives the correspondence for information.

Carried

12. Reports of Committees and Town Staff, Matters Tabled and Motions for Which Notice Has Been Previously Given

a. Committee Minutes for Approval – None.

b. Staff Reports

1. EC DEV 2024-006, Amendment to Option to Purchase Agreement – 1000049693 ONTARIO LTD.

MOTION: COW 2024-059

Moved By: Councillor Zimmerman; Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Anderson

THAT the Council of the Town of Minto receives report EC DEV 2024-006 regarding the Amendment to Option to Purchase Agreement - 1000049693 ONTARIO LTD. and authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Agreement.

Carried

Councillor Dirksen assumed the Chair.

2. FIN 2024-005, Asset Retirement Obligations (ARO) Policy

MOTION: COW 2024-060

Moved By: Councillor Podniewicz; Seconded By: Councillor Elliott

THAT Council of the Town of Minto receives report FIN 2024-005 regarding Asset Retirement Obligations and adopts the Policy as attached.

Carried

3. FIN 2024-006, Teviotdale Historical Signs

MOTION: COW 2024-061

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Anderson; Seconded By: Councillor Gunson

THAT Council of the Town of Minto receives report FIN 2024-006 regarding Teviotdale Historical Signs and considers passing a By-law in regular session authorizing the Mayor and

Clerk to execute a Mural Agreement in the hamlet of Teviotdale with Teviotdale Truck Stop Inc.

Carried

Mayor Turton resumed the Chair.

c. Announcements

Councillor Gunson noted that May 4 and 5th is the Outdoor Life Show in Clifford.

Councillor Dirksen noted that the Grey Wellington Theatre Guild has a show starting next week, Gibsons and Sons.

Mayor Turton noted that the Mayor's Breakfast was well attended and Town staff for putting it together. Turton stated that this Thursday is the volunteer dinner with over 200 to be attending. Turton noted there was a Job Fair at the High School last week and it was well attended by students.

13. Motion to Return To Regular Council

RESOLUTION: 2024-082

Moved By: Councillor Dirksen; Seconded By: Councillor Elliott

THAT the Committee of the Whole convenes into Regular Council.

Carried

14. Notices of Motion - None

15. Resolution Adopting Proceedings of Committee of the Whole

RESOLUTION: 2024-083

Moved By: Councillor Podniewicz; Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Anderson

THAT the Council of the Town of Minto ratifies the motions made in the Committee of the Whole.

Carried

16. By-laws

a. 2024-021, Amend Zoning for 5982 14th Line

b. 2024-022, Amend Zoning for 69 Allan Street W

c. 2024-023, Teviotdale Historical Signage agreement

RESOLUTION: 2024-084

Moved By: Councillor Zimmerman; Seconded By: Councillor Gunson

THAT By-laws 2024-021, 2024-022 and 2024-023 be read a first, second, third time and passed in Open Council and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried

d. 2024-024, Confirmatory

RESOLUTION: 2024-085

Moved By: Councillor Gunson; Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Anderson

THAT By-law 2024-024, To confirm the actions of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Minto respecting a meeting held April 16, 2024; be read a first, second, third time and passed in open Council and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried

17. Adjournment at 7:28 p.m.

RESOLUTION: 2024-086

Moved By: Councillor Podniewicz; Seconded By: Councillor Elliott

THAT The Council of the Town of Minto adjourns to meet again at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

Mayor Dave Turton

Clerk Annilene McRobb