

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

There was a Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Present were Deputy Mayor Daina Proctor, Councillor Glen Campbell, Councillor Doug Humphries, and Councillor Tom Webster. Staff present was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk, Nathalie Moore, Treasurer, Adam Knapp, Public Works Manager, and Nichole Dubeau, Executive Assistant – Recording Secretary.

Mayor David Bennett sent his regrets.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Deputy Mayor Proctor called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Deputy Mayor Proctor read the Land Acknowledgement in its entirety.

**3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Webster

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-95**

Seconded by Councillor Campbell

**THAT** Council adopt the Agenda for the July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.  
**Carried**

**5. IN CAMERA (Closed) SESSION**

5.1 Pursuant to Section 239(2) (e) of the Municipal Act,

(e) Litigation or potential litigation – Tomlinson Group ZBLA

Moved by Councillor Webster

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-96**

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**THAT** Council went into a Closed Session Meeting at 4:01 p.m. to discuss the following items pursuant to Section 239(2) (e) of the Municipal Act;

- (e) Litigation or potential litigation – Tomlinson Group – ZBLA

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Webster

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-97**

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**THAT** Council came out of Closed (In-Camera) Session at 4:35 p.m. and discussed items pursuant to Section 239(2) (e) of the Municipal Act;

- (e) Litigation or potential litigation – Tomlinson Group – ZBLA

**Carried**

**6. DELEGATIONS &/or PUBLIC MEETINGS**

6.1 Development Charges Study – Jp2g Consultants Inc

Anthony Hommik, Senior Planner with Jp2g Consultants Inc. was present.

Mr. Hommik presented the information for Council. He highlighted that the study is aimed at determining a development charge rate structure that will not require existing taxpayers to contribute to the capital cost of new growth anticipated to occur. Similarly, new taxpayers should not have to contribute more than their fair share of the net capital cost of providing the current level of municipal services for new growth. A review of population, property assessment, building permit and land severance information was undertaken to establish what the annual population in the municipality was over the preceding 10-year period from 2014 to 2023 in order to calculate population and development projections.

He added that these development charges will allow for the municipality to continue to collect funds to help pay for capital expenditures and improvements associated with the growth of the Township. Council members thanked Mr. Hommik for the presentation and information.

## 7. MINUTES

### 7.1 July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 – Regular Council

Moved by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-98**

Seconded by Councillor Campbell

**THAT** Council approve the following Minutes:

- July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 – Regular Council

**Carried**

## 8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

## 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### 9.1 **TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

#### 9.1.1 Staff Report – Sale of Excavator

Public Works Manager Adam Knapp reviewed the report. Council was in agreeance to sell the Excavator for \$41,000 on GovDeals.

### 9.2 **GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

Public Advisory Members Susan Humphries and Spencer Hopping were present.

#### 9.2.1 Staff Report – Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report. She added that the Newsletter will be available to residents quarterly through the year.

### 9.3 **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

#### 9.3.1 Chair's Report – July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Councillor Humphries reviewed the report. CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough added that the Community Liaison Officer position has been filled by Rachel Eden, and she will be starting July 23.

## 10. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY

### 10.1 **INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE**

#### 10.1.1 CAO/Clerk's Information Memo

Council members reviewed the information previously distributed.

### 10.2 **ACTION CORRESPONDENCE**

#### 10.2.1 Resolution of Support – Calling for Investment in Municipal Infrastructure for Eastern Ontario's Small and Rural Communities

Council members reviewed.

## 11. BYLAWS

### 11.1 2024-27 Appointment of Alternate County Council Member

## 12. NOTICE TO FILE MOTION FOR NEXT COUNCIL – NONE

## 13. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNS – NONE

**14. RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Webster **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-99**  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries  
**THAT** Council agree to sell the Volvo EW 180B Wheeled Excavator for \$41,000 to the highest bidder from the GovDeals auction;

**AND THAT** the proceeds be directed to the Roads Equipment Reserve as per Resolution 2023-203.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Campbell **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-100**  
Seconded by Councillor Webster  
**THAT** Council receive the following reports as information:

- Staff Report – Treasurer’s Report
- Recreation Chair’s Report – July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Webster **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-101**  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries  
**THAT** upon recommendation from the Recreation Committee, Council direct the Public Works Manager to obtain estimates for the following:

- Concrete pad – rink surface
- Piping under rink surface
- Parking lot – Paving and lines

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Campbell **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-102**  
Seconded by Councillor Webster  
**THAT** upon recommendation from the Recreation Committee, Council approve Terry Runtz and Debby Johnston as Public Advisory Members to the Recreation Committee.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Humphries **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-103**  
Seconded by Councillor Webster  
**THAT** Council receive the CAO/Clerk’s Information Memo for July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Webster **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-104**  
Seconded by Councillor Campbell  
**WHEREAS** Eastern Ontario’s small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both new growth related infrastructure and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including local roads and bridges, clean water, wastewater, waste facilities, and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federation of Canadian Municipalities has calculated that Municipal Governments across Canada are responsible for approximately 60 percent of public infrastructure that supports our economy and quality of life, but only receive 10 cents of every tax dollar;

**AND WHEREAS** the Eastern Ontario Wardens’ Caucus (EOWC) region’s capital infrastructure deficit has increased by 58 percent since 2011 and is now at \$6 billion, and growing;

**AND WHEREAS** in 2018, the Ontario Government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop and fully fund capital asset management plans by July 2025;

**AND WHEREAS** the EOWC has released a regional Municipal Infrastructure Policy Paper showing key infrastructure data, opportunities and challenges in small rural municipalities across Eastern Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** Eastern Ontario is a growing economy that can grow more with sustainable, innovative infrastructure partnership and investment from the Federal and Ontario Governments;

**AND WHEREAS** the infrastructure deficit for small rural municipalities cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue, restricted municipal borrowing capacity, and municipalities limited ability to generate revenue;

**AND WHEREAS** small rural taxpayers cannot afford dramatic increases to pay for the current and future infrastructure;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Township of Horton joins the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in calling on the Federal and Ontario Governments to immediately and sustainably partner with Municipal Governments by investing in both the new and ongoing maintenance and repairs of municipal infrastructure in Eastern Ontario's small rural municipalities;

**AND THAT** the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately review data and work together to implement solutions based on the EOWC's Municipal Infrastructure Policy Paper in partnership with small rural municipalities;

**AND FINALLY THAT** this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs; Ontario Minister of Finance; Ontario Minister of Transportation; Ontario Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; Cheryl Gallant, Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke MP; John Yakabuski, Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke MPP; Federation of Canadian Municipalities; Association of Municipalities of Ontario; Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; Rural Ontario Municipal Association; Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-105**

Seconded by Councillor Campbell

**THAT** Council enact the following by-laws:

- 2024-27 Appointment of Alternate County Council Member

**Carried**

## 15. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-106**

Seconded by Councillor Webster

**THAT** Council enact By-law 2024-28– Confirming By-Law.

**Carried**

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Proctor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.