



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2024

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moore took Roll Call.

Present: Mayor David Moore
Councillors Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen, Nick Ryeland, Debbie Zulak
Staff: Clerk/Administrator, Ina Watkinson
Guest: Chris Mahon, West Parry Sound Geography Network

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND/OR PERSONAL INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Councillor Zulak declared a pecuniary and personal interest for Item 21.2.

Moved by: Councillor Zulak
Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

24-065 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby approve the Agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council, as amended to add Item 23.1 under New Business regarding A.S.E. systems.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland
Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

24-066 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, as amended, move into closed session at 6:04 p.m. to discuss the following items;

5.1 Information Supplied in Confidence by a Third Party; Pursuant to Section 239(2)(i) of the Municipal Act – Data Sharing Services Agreement discussion with Chris Mahon, West Parry Sound Geography Network

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak
Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

24-067 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby reconvene into open session of Council at 6:36 p.m.

Carried

Chris Mahon left the meeting.

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moore took Roll Call.

Present: Mayor David Moore
Councillors Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen, Nick Ryeland, Debbie Zulak
Staff: Clerk/Administrator, Ina Watkinson
Deputy Clerk/Planning Assistant, Karlee Britton

RESPECT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DECLARATION

In the spirit of reconciliation and co-operation, we wish to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe and Mississauga people. Its boundaries fall within the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850 and the Williams Treaty of 1923. We are grateful to live here and



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we thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years. To honour the suffering of Indigenous people and the love and wisdom they have carried for thousands of years, we pledge to work in community and harmony with each other and the environment we inhabit and work towards Truth and Reconciliation.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND/OR PERSONAL INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Councillor Zulak declared a pecuniary and personal interest for Item 21.2.

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

24-068 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby accept the reports, recommendations and directions arising from the closed session held February 6, 2024.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

24-069 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the deputation from Bruce Kelly, Chair of the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park Board, providing Council with updates from the Industrial Park, as requested.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

24-070 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the deputation from Debbie Woods, Chair of the McKellar Township Public Library Board and Terri Short, CEO of the McKellar Township Public Library to present the Library's 2023 Annual Report.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

24-071 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby approve the Minutes of the January 19, 2024 and January 25, 2024 and January 30, 2024 Special Meetings of Council and the January 23, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council, as circulated.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

24-072 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Minutes of the November 22, 2023 and November 29, 2023 Meetings of the NBPSDHU Board of Health.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

24-073 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Minutes of the November 27, 2023 meeting of the Township of McKellar Public Library Board.

Carried



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**Moved by: Councillor Ryeland
Seconded by: Councillor Haskim**

24-074 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Minutes of the November 22, 2023; December 13, 2023 (Government and Partnerships Committee) and December 20, 2023 meetings of the District of Parry Sound West (Belvedere Heights) Board of Management.

Carried

**Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen
Seconded by: Councillor Zulak**

24-075 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive Report T-2024-02 Statement of the Council Remuneration and Expenses 2023 from Treasurer, Roshan Kantiya for information purposes.

Carried

**Moved by: Councillor Haskim
Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland**

24-076 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Registration Form from the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association for the Parliamentary Procedures Course instructed by AMCTO; and **FURTHER** authorize the following staff to be registered for the course, with all applicable expenses to be paid by the Township at \$263.00 per person:

Mary Smith, Treasury & Administrative Assistant;
Ina Watkinson, Clerk/Administrator; and
Karlee Britton, Deputy Clerk/Planning Assistant.

Carried

**Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen
Seconded by: Councillor Zulak**

24-077 **WHEREAS** By-law 2023-66 Being a By-law to Regulate the Speed of Motor Vehicles on Certain Highways within the Municipality had first and second readings carried on October 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS the public has been given the opportunity, via at least two open Committee of the Whole meetings, to provide feedback to the Township with regards to speed limit changes within the Township; and

WHEREAS limited feedback was received in 2023, therefore providing direction in the proactive purchasing of the requisite hardware;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law No. 2023-66, Being a By-law to Regulate the Speed of Motor Vehicles on Certain Highways within the Municipality, a Third reading;

And Further Passed in Open Council this 6th day of February, 2024.

Defeated

**Moved by: Councillor Haskim
Seconded by: Councillor Zulak**

24-078 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby direct the Director of Operations to restore the speed limit signage to its original set speeds, as per current By-law; and



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FURTHER direct that no further purchases of speed limit signs is undertaken unless directed by Council.

Carried

Councillor Zulak left the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

24-079 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law No. 2024-14, Being a By-law to Stop Up and Close Part of the Original Road Allowance between Concession 12, Part Lot 21 and Concession 13, Part Lot 21, Township of McKellar, District of Parry Sound as Part of the Land Exchange for Portions of Balsam Road (Zulak Estate), a First and Second reading;

And further Read a Third time and Passed in Open Council this 6th day of February, 2024.

Carried

Councillor Zulak re-entered the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

24-080 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law No. 2024-15, Being a By-law to Amend By-law 2020-28 Being a By-law to Regulate Parking, the Occupation of a Highway and to Establish a Permit System, as amended, a First and Second reading;

And further Read a Third time and Passed in Open Council this 6th day of February, 2024.

Deferred

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

24-081 **WHEREAS** Resolution No. 23-465, wherein there was a request from the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar "that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones," was carried at the July 4, 2023, regular open meeting of Council;

AND WHEREAS it was noted in the Agenda Package that the Resolution had its origins in a Resolution carried by the City of Woodstock, copied to all Ontario municipalities in a letter dated June 27, 2023;

AND WHEREAS the Council's intent was to demonstrate support for the Council of the City of Woodstock in its attempt to lobby for an amendment to the Highway Traffic Act to allow more municipal control in certain situations, and not to advocate for an ASE system for the Township of McKellar;

AND WHEREAS certain persons have incorrectly concluded that Council is contemplating the use of an ASE system for the Township of McKellar;

AND WHEREAS Council feels it is necessary to dispel any rumours regarding its intentions in this matter;



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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar rescind Resolution No. 23-465 in its entirety.

DIVISION VOTE

YEAS: Councillor Haskim, Kekkonen, Ryeland, Zulak and Mayor Moore.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

24-082 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the consent agenda for correspondence.

Carried

QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD (RELATED TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA)

Perry Emerson spoke against the third reading and passing of By-law 2023-66 (Speed Limit By-law).

Dan Peters commented that his reasoning for attending the meeting was to gain insight on By-law 2023-66 and the A.S.E. system.

Ser Da Silva spoke both for and against the passing of By-law 2023-66, relating to certain areas and speed limits within the Township.

Ted Davidson spoke against the third reading and passing of By-law 2023-66.

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

24-083 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law No. 2024-16, Being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council, a First and Second reading;

And further Read a Third time and Passed in Open Council this 6th day of February, 2024.

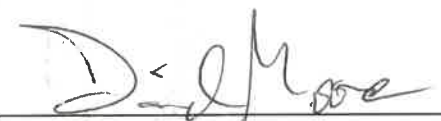
Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

24-084 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar adjourn this meeting at 8:13 p.m. to meet again on February 20, 2024; or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried



David Moore, Mayor



Ina Watkinson, Clerk/Administrator