
HALDIMAND COUNTY

Report CLE-05-2025 Council Appointments to Boards and Committees For Consideration by Council in Committee on April 29, 2025



Objective:

To appoint Chairs and Vice Chairs of Council's business divisions and determine certain other Council appointees to boards and committees.

Recommendations:

1. THAT Report CLE-05-2025 Council Appointments to Boards and Committees be received;
2. AND THAT the following appointments for Chairs and Vice Chairs for the Business Divisions of Council in Committee for Haldimand County be made, for the period from May 5, 2025 to November 14, 2026:

Public Meeting for Planning Applications	Chair	_____
Public Works Operations	Chair	_____
	Vice Chair	_____
Financial & Data Services	Vice Chair	_____
3. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Court of Revision for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
4. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
5. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Agricultural Advisory Committee for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
6. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Museum Advisory Board for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
7. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to Heritage Haldimand for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
8. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Hagersville Business Improvement Areas Board of Management for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
9. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Haldimand Norfolk Housing Corporation Board for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026;
10. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Haldimand O.P.P. Detachment Board for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026, or until their successor is appointed;
11. AND THAT Councillor _____ be appointed to the Long Point Region Conservation Authority for the remainder of the term ending November 14, 2026.

Prepared and respectfully submitted by: Chad Curtis, Municipal Clerk

Approved: Mark Merritt, CPA, CA, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Executive Summary:

Council needs to appoint its members to the various positions identified in this report in order to meet the requirements of provincial legislation, Haldimand by-laws and various other Terms of Reference.

Background:

At the beginning of each term of Council, it is necessary to appoint members of Council to act in specific roles as required by the Procedure By-law, and to fulfill regulated and approved positions on numerous boards and committees. At the December 6, 2022 Council in Committee meeting, Council passed a motion appointing its members to various boards and committees of Haldimand until November 14, 2026.

Following these appointments, the Ward 4 Council seat was declared vacant on November 25, 2024 as a result of the death of Councillor Marie Trainer, and the Ward 1 Council seat was declared vacant on December 5, 2024 following the death of Stewart Patterson. At the December 16, 2024 Council in Committee meeting, Council appointed members to fill the Chair and Vice Chairs of Haldimand's Business Divisions of Council in Committee to serve on an interim basis until the two vacant Council seats have been filled.

In order to meet the requirements of O. Reg 135/24 of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019*, Council must appoint a Haldimand County Council appointee to the Haldimand O.P.P. Detachment Board. Additional information on appointments to the detachment board can be found in the [Community Safety and Policing Act](#). Further, as per the Terms of Reference of the Accessibility Advisory Committee, Agricultural Advisory Committee, Heritage Haldimand, Court of Revision, Haldimand Norfolk Housing Corporation, Long Point Region Conservation Authority, Museum Advisory Committee, Hagersville Business Improvement Area, a representative from Council needs to be appointed to these boards and committees.

Analysis:

With the vacancies of the Ward 1 and Ward 4 Councillor positions, vacancies were created on certain boards and committees, as well as within Business Divisions. The boards and committees with a vacant appointee position are as follows: Accessibility Advisory Committee, Heritage Haldimand, Agricultural Advisory Committee, Haldimand Norfolk Housing Corporation, Long Point Region Conservation Authority, Museum Advisory Board, Hagersville BIA, Court of Revision, Health and Social Services Advisory Committee, the O.P.P. Detachment Board.

The current Chairs and Vice Chairs of Haldimand County's Council in Committee are as follows:

Public Meeting for Planning Applications	Chair –	Vacant
	Vice Chair –	Mayor Bentley
Community & Development Services	Chair –	Councillor Lawrence
	Vice Chair –	Councillor Shirton
Public Works Operations	Chair –	Vacant
	Vice Chair –	Vacant
Engineering & Capital Works	Chair –	Councillor Metcalfe
	Vice Chair –	Councillor Lawrence
Financial & Data Services	Chair –	Councillor O'Neill
	Vice Chair –	Vacant

Corporate & Social Services

Chair –

Councillor Shirton

Vice Chair –

Councillor O'Neill

Corporate Affairs

Chair –

Mayor Bentley

Vice Chair –

Councillor Metcalfe

Financial/Legal Implications:

As of January 1, 2019, all members of Council receive an annual stipend of \$5,000 in addition to their base remuneration to recognize additional workload associated with their Council approved appointments to various boards and/or committees. Council members appointed to a particular board or committee that is not directly administered by Haldimand County are not eligible for the remuneration that is provided to citizen members, since they are already in receipt of the annual stipend intended to recognize the participation equivalent to a citizen appointee (i.e. O.P.P Detachment Board). Members appointed to the Board of Directors for the Conservation Authorities receive remuneration from those respective bodies.

Stakeholder Impacts:

Not applicable.

Report Impacts:

Agreement: No

By-law: No

Budget Amendment: No

Policy: No

References:

None.

Attachments:

None.