



Haldimand
County

**THE CORPORATION OF HALDIMAND COUNTY
COUNCIL MINUTES**

Date: March 24, 2025
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building - Council Chambers

Council Present S. Bentley, Mayor
 J. Metcalfe, Councillor
 D. Lawrence, Councillor
 R. Shirton, Councillor
 P. O'Neill, Councillor

Staff Present C. Case, Chief Administrative Officer
 M. Evers, General Manager, Community & Development Services
 T. Haedrich, General Manager, Engineering & Capital Works
 M. Jamieson, General Manager, Corporate & Social Services
 D. McKinnon, General Manager, Public Works Operations
 M. Merritt, General Manager, Financial & Data Services
 C. Curtis, Municipal Clerk
 L. Romanuk, Manager, Economic Development & Tourism
 T. Cassidy, Council Services Coordinator/Deputy Clerk

A. Call to Order

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

B. Moment of Reflection

Mayor Bentley opened the meeting with a moment of reflection.

C. Land Acknowledgement

Councillor Metcalfe read the Land Acknowledgement statement.

D. Roll Call

The Mayor and all Members of Council were in attendance.

E. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None.

F. Approval of Previous Council Meeting Minutes

1 Council Minutes - March 3, 2025

Resolution 52-25

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT the minutes of the March 3, 2025 Council meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

G. Presentations of Recognition

None.

H. Delegations

None.

I. Approval of Committee Minutes

(NOTE: If any member wishes to deal with any resolution separately, please notify the Clerk by noon on the meeting day.)

1 Council in Committee Minutes - March 18, 2025

Resolution 53-25

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT the minutes of the March 18, 2025 Council in Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

- 2 Closed Session - Council in Committee Minutes - March 18, 2025

Resolution 54-25

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT the minutes of the Closed Session of the March 18, 2025 Council in Committee meeting be adopted as circulated and remain confidential.

CARRIED

- 3 Accessibility Advisory Committee Report - December 11, 2024

Resolution 55-25

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT the report of the December 11, 2024 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be received.

CARRIED

- 4 Agricultural Advisory Committee Report - January 15, 2025

Resolution 56-25

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT the report of the January 15, 2025 Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting be received.

CARRIED

- 5 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee Report - January 21, 2025

Resolution 57-25

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT the report of the January 21, 2025 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee meeting be received.

CARRIED

J. Unfinished Business

- 1 FPC-01-2025 Forest Conservation By-law Minor Exception Permit Application for George Street, Dunnville

Deferred from the March 18, 2025 Council in Committee meeting

Resolution 58-25

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

1. THAT Report FPC-01-2025 Forest Conservation By-law Minor Exception Permit Application for George Street, Dunnville be received;
2. AND THAT the application for a Minor Exception Permit to the By-law 2204/20 at PLAN 1407 LOT 3 PT LOTS 2 AND 4 RP 18R7797 PART 1 (George Street), Dunnville be denied.

CARRIED

Amendment:

Resolution 59-25

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT clause 2 be amended to read:

"AND THAT the application for a Minor Exception Permit to the By-law 2204/20 at PLAN 1407 LOT 3 PT LOTS 2 AND 4 RP 18R7797 PART 1 (George Street), Dunnville be approved with permit conditions as described in Option 2 of Report FPC-01-2025."

CARRIED

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1. THAT Report FPC-01-2025 Forest Conservation By-law Minor Exception Permit Application for George Street, Dunnville be received;
2. AND THAT the application for a Minor Exception Permit to the By-law 2204/20 at PLAN 1407 LOT 3 PT LOTS 2 AND 4 RP 18R7797 PART 1 (George Street), Dunnville be approved with permit conditions as described in Option 2 of Report FPC-01-2025.

K. New Business

- 1 EDT-04-2025 Request for Event to be Deemed Municipally Significant
L. Romanuk, Manager, Economic Development & Tourism provided an overview of the report.

Resolution 60-25

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

1. THAT Report EDT-04-2025 Request for Event to be Deemed Municipally Significant be received;
2. AND THAT the Business Symposium being held at the Haldimand County Administration Building on May 1st, 2025 be designated as a Municipally Significant Event.

CARRIED

- 2 Council Information Package
None.

L. By-laws

(NOTE: If any member wishes to deal with any by-law separately, please notify the Clerk by noon on the meeting day.)

- 1 By-law 1401-HC/25 to amend Zoning By-law HC 1-2020, as amended, for property described in the name of Haldimand-Norfolk Housing Corporation
Council in Committee Report PDD 07-2025, March 18, 2025
- 2 By-law 1402-HC/25 to designate the lands (Block 54) within Registered Plan 18M-72, now in Haldimand County as exempt from part lot control
Planning File PLPL-HA-2025-18
- 3 By-law 1403-HC/25 to designate the lands (Block 59) within Registered Plan 18M-72, now in Haldimand County as exempt from part lot control
Planning File PLPL-HA-2025-18

- 4 By-law 1404-HC/25 to designate the lands (Block 60 and Block 61) within Registered Plan 18M-72, now in Haldimand County as exempt from part lot control

Planning File PLPL-HA-2025-18
- 5 By-law 1405-HC/25 to designate the lands (Blocks 62 and 63) within Registered Plan 18M-72, now in Haldimand County as exempt from part lot control

Planning File PLPL-HA-2025-18
- 6 By-law 1406-HC/25 to designate the lands (Block 64) within Registered Plan 18M-72, now in Haldimand County as exempt from part lot control

Planning File PLPL-HA-2025-041
- 7 By-law 1407-HC/25 to designate the lands (Block 65) within Registered Plan 18M-72, now in Haldimand County as exempt from part lot control

Planning File PLPL-HA-2025-18
- 8 By-law 2595/25 to further amend By-law 2139/20, regulating the fares for licensed vehicles

Delegated Authority By-law 2473-23 and Council in Committee Report CEC-02-2023, March 21, 2023

Resolution 61-25

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT By-laws 1 to 8, as listed, be enacted.

CARRIED

M. Notices of Motion

None.

N. Announcements, Reports from Council Appointees to Boards and Committees

The following item was highlighted:

- Update on Health & Social Services Advisory Committee meeting.

O. Closed Session

Resolution 62-25

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT pursuant to Section 239 (2)(f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, Council convene in a meeting at 6:19 p.m. closed to the public, to discuss:

1 Verbal Update on Confidentiality Matter

Section 239 (2)(f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

CARRIED

Resolution 63-25

Moved By: Councillor Lawrence

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

THAT this closed meeting now adjourn at 6:32 p.m. and reconvene in open session.

CARRIED

P. Motions Arising from Closed Session

None.

Q. Motion of Receipt

None.

R. Confirming By-law

By-law 2596/25 to confirm the proceedings of Council of The Corporation of Haldimand County.

Resolution 64-25

Moved By: Councillor Lawrence

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

THAT the Confirmation By-law for the March 24, 2025 Council meeting be enacted.

CARRIED

S. Adjournment

Resolution 65-25

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

DEPUTY CLERK