



The Municipality of Mississippi Mills

Council Meeting

MINUTES

March 15, 2022

6:00 p.m.

E-participation

PRESENT: Mayor Lowry
Deputy Mayor Minnille
Councillor Dalgity
Councillor Maydan
Councillor Holmes
Councillor Guerard
Councillor Ferguson

Staff Present Ken Kelly, CAO
Casey Munro, Deputy Clerk
Jeanne Harfield, Clerk
Jeff Letourneau, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer
Melanie Knight, Senior Planner

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. CONSIDERATION OF A CLOSED SESSION

None

C. RISE AND REPORT

None

D. O CANADA

Council stood for the playing of O Canada.

E. MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

Council observed a moment of silent meditation. Mayor Lowry dedicated the moment of silence to former Fire Chief Art Brown who recently passed away.

F. ATTENDANCE

The Clerk announced attendance.

G. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No 068-22

Moved by Councillor Ferguson

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

H. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution No 069-22

Moved by Councillor Maydan

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Minnille

THAT the Council minutes dated February 24 and March 1, 2022, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

J. DELEGATION, DEPUTATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

None

K. PUBLIC MEETINGS

None

L. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Resolution No 070-22

Moved by Councillor Holmes

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

THAT Council approve the Committee of the Whole motions L.1. , L.2, and L.4 - L.12 from the March 1, 2022 meeting;

AND THAT item L.3. be pulled for further consideration.

CARRIED

L.1 Agriculture Advisory Committee Recommendation

Resolution No 071-22

THAT the Official Plan Amendment No. 29 be forwarded to Council.

CARRIED

L.2 Community Benefits Charges By-law Directions Report

Resolution No 072-22

THAT Council direct Staff to include a Community Benefits By-law analysis as part of the 2024 Development Charges review.

CARRIED

**L.3 Affordable Housing, Attainable Housing and Housing Supply
Directions Report**

Resolution No 082-22

Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille

Seconded by Councillor Holmes

THAT Council receive as information the details related to the Report of the Ontario Affordable Housing Task Force and the Planning Department's upcoming related policy projects and initiatives as contained in this report;

AND THAT Council authorize Staff to use \$10,000 out of the allocated \$50,000 for the development of an Affordable Housing Grant Program (policies, program requirements, legal agreement templates etc.) to be fully implemented in the next term of Council.

CARRIED

Resolution No 083-22

Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille

Seconded by Councillor Holmes

THAT Council authorize Staff to develop a Memorandum of Understanding with Carebridge Community Support Corporation for the development of a not-for-profit housing development at the municipally owned property at 34 Victoria Street based on the principles as detailed in Document 3.

CARRIED

Resolution No 084-22

Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille

Seconded by Councillor Holmes

THAT Council amend the Fees By-law 21-108 to include an exemption of fees for not-for-profit housing developments from payments of required Planning Act and Building Permit fees as detailed in Document 2;

AND THAT Council amend the Parkland By-law 15-78 to exempt not-for-profit housing developments from payments of cash-in-lieu of parkland as detailed in Document 1.

CARRIED

Resolution No 085-22

Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille

Seconded by Councillor Holmes

THAT Council direct Staff to include a review of the existing exemptions for not-for-profit housing as part of the 2024 Development Charges review to determine if there are more opportunities for further exemptions from Development Charges.

CARRIED

L.4 Site Plan Control – Mill Valley – 09-T-21005, Almonte Ward

Resolution No 073-22

THAT Council accept the Draft Conditions for the Mill Valley Subdivision 09-T-21005 and recommend that Staff submit the draft conditions to the County of Lanark, similar in effect to, those detailed in Document 2;

AND THAT Council approve the Site Plan Control application (D11-HOU-21) for the properties described legally in this report;

AND THAT once the Draft Plan of Subdivision (09-T-21005) is registered, that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into a Site Plan Control Agreement for the development with special conditions, similar in effect to, those detailed in Document 4

CARRIED

L.5 Zoning By-law Amendment - Lifting of Holding Provision - Con 1 Pt Lot 24, Pakenham

Resolution No 074-22

THAT Council approve the lifting of the holding (h) symbol from the “Limited Service Residential Holding” (LSR-h) Zone for the lands legally described as Concession 1, Part of Lot 24, Pakenham Ward, Municipality of Mississippi Mills, as contained in Document 1.

CARRIED

L.6 2021 Freedom of Information (FOI) Summary

Resolution No 075-22

THAT the 2021 Freedom of Information (FOI) Summary be received for information.

CARRIED

L.7 Elected Official Remuneration Report

Resolution No 076-22

THAT Council approve the proposed Elected Officials Remuneration Policy;

AND THAT By-law 18-71 be repealed effective November 15, 2022.

CARRIED

L.8 Old Registry Office

Resolution No 077-22

THAT Council declare the Old Registry Office at 125 Brougham St as surplus and that it be added to Schedule A of the Land Sale Bylaw 19-125;

AND THAT Council direct staff to make preparations for the sale of this property.

CARRIED

L.9 Information List Item #05-22 M.A.D.D Canada support re: bolster impaired driving countermeasures in the outlying areas

Resolution No 078-22

THAT Council support the MADD campaign to bolster impaired driving countermeasures in the outlying areas around Ottawa.

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide the OPP with a copy of the municipal sign policy.

CARRIED

L.10 Information List #05-22 Township of South Glengarry Resolution re: Abandoned Cemeteries

Resolution No 079-22

Moved by Councillor Holmes

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills hereby supports Prince Edward County's call for government action concerning the current legislation and regulations surrounding municipal requirements to take over and maintain abandoned operating cemeteries;

AND FURTHERMORE that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Government & Consumer Services, ROMA, the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus and all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED

L.11 Information List #05-22 Town of Bracebridge Resolution re: Joint and Several Liability Reform

Resolution No 080-22

Moved by Councillor Holmes

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

WHEREAS municipal governments provide essential services to the residents and businesses in their communities; and

WHEREAS the ability to provide those services is negatively impacted by exponentially rising insurance costs; and

WHEREAS one driver of rising insurance costs is the legal principle of “joint and several liability”, which assigns disproportionate liability to municipalities for an incident relative to their responsibility for it; and

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has the authority and responsibility for the legal framework of “joint and several liability”; and

WHEREAS the Premier of Ontario committed to review the issue in 2018 with a view to helping municipal governments manage their risks and costs; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Review was conducted in 2019 with AMO and municipalities fully participating; and

WHEREAS the results of the Provincial Review have not been released and municipalities are still awaiting news of how the Attorney General will address this important matter; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) on behalf of municipal governments has provided recommendations in their document “Towards a Reasonable Balance – Addressing Growing Municipal Liability and Insurance Costs” to align municipal liability with the proportionate responsibility for incidents and capping awards; and

WHEREAS The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) has written to the Attorney General in support of the abovementioned recommendations provided by AMO;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Municipality of Mississippi Mills calls on the Attorney General of Ontario to work with municipal governments to put forward a plan of action to address “joint and several liability” before the end of the government’s current term.
2. That the Municipality of Mississippi Mills supports the seven (7) recommendations contained in the AMO submission “Towards a Reasonable Balance – Addressing Growing Municipal Liability and Insurance Costs” to re-establish the priority for provincial action on this issue.
3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Attorney General, the Honourable Doug Downey; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Steve Clark; AMO President, Jamie McGarvey, AMCTO President, Sandra MacDonald; and all Municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED

**L.12 Information List Item #05-22 Minister Rickford re: LDD Moth
Resolution No 081-22**

THAT Council direct staff to share on the municipal website that updated information regarding the LDD Moth.

CARRIED

M. BY-LAWS

Resolution No 086-22

Moved by Councillor Ferguson

Seconded by Councillor Maydan

THAT By-laws 22-011 to 22-013 be taken as read, passed, signed, and sealed in Open Council;

AND THAT By-law 22-010 be pulled for further consideration.

CARRIED

M.1 Bylaw 22-010 - Appointment Treasurer - Letourneau

Resolution No 090-22

Moved by Councillor Holmes

Seconded by Councillor Ferguson

THAT By-law 22-010, being a by-law to appoint Jeff Letourneau as the Treasurer of Mississippi Mills be read, passed, signed and sealed in Open Council.

YAS (6): Mayor Lowry, Deputy Mayor Minnille, Councillor Dalgity, Councillor Maydan, Councillor Holmes, and Councillor Ferguson

NAS (1): Councillor Guerard

CARRIED (6 to 1)

M.2 By-law 22-011 Council Remuneration

Resolution No 087-22

THAT By-law 22-011, being a by-law to establish remuneration for members of Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills be read, passed, signed and sealed in Open Council.

CARRIED

M.3 By-law 22-012 Cash in Lieu of Parkland (amendment)

Resolution No 088-22

THAT By-law 22-012, being a by-law to amend By-law 15-78 to include provision for non-profit housing developments to be exempt from cash in lieu of parkland fees be read, passed, signed and sealed in Open Council.

CARRIED

M.4 By-law 22-013 Fees By-law Amendment (Planning and Building Fee Exemption)

Resolution No 089-22

THAT By-law 22-013, being a by-law to amend By-law 21-108 to include provisions for any non-profit housing development to be exempt from applicable Planning Fees and Associated Fees and Building Fees be read, passed, signed and sealed in Open Council.

CARRIED

N. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INVITATIONS

N.1 Congratulations to Casey Munro - Completion of AMCTO Diploma in Municipal Administration

Mayor Lowry congratulated Deputy Clerk Casey Munro for successfully completing AMCTO's Diploma in Municipal Administration program.

Councillor Dalgity - extended a thank you on behalf of the Brown family.

O. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution No 091-22

Moved by Councillor Dalgity

Seconded by Councillor Maydan

THAT By-law 22-014 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills at its regular meeting held on the 15 day of March 2022, be read, passed, signed and sealed in Open Council this 15 day of March 2022.

CARRIED

P. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No 092-22

Moved by Councillor Ferguson

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Christa Lowry, MAYOR

Jeanne Harfield, Clerk