



DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre St, Orangeville ON

Council Members Present:

Warden Wade Mills (Shelburne)
Councillor John Creelman (Mono)
Councillor Guy Gardhouse (East Garafraxa)
Councillor Chris Gerrits (Amaranth)
Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne)
Councillor Earl Hawkins (Mulmur)
Councillor Janet Horner (Mulmur)
Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth)
Councillor James McLean (Melancthon)
Councillor Fred Nix (Mono)
Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville)
Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley) (arrived at 10:07 a.m.)
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)
Councillor Darren White (Melancthon)

Staff Present:

Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Cody Joudry, Director of Development & Tourism
Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks
Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic
Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer

Warden Mills called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Warden Mills announced that the meeting is the first hybrid meeting with some members of Council being present virtually. The meeting was also live streamed and publicly broadcast.

The recording of this meeting will also be available on our website in the future.

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Warden Mills shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

2. **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of the Councillors in attendance.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Gerrits , seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the February 23, 2023 meeting of Council, be approved.

-Carried-

4. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions received from the public.

Councillor Rentsch joined the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

6. **Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer's Report – 2023 Draft Budget**

A presentation and report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated February 23, 2023, regarding the draft 2023 budget.

The Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer provided an overview of the draft budget, along with background information after discussion and changes from the standing Committees.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Horner

THAT the report of the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated February 23, 2023, regarding 2023 Budget Update, be received;

AND THAT the 2023 budget with tax levy of \$44,899,761, be approved.

-Carried-

7. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

2023-11 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on February 23, 2023.

Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor White

THAT By-Law 2023-11, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Taylor

THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Next meeting: March 9, 2023
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Wade Mills, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk