



GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

The Committee met at 11:00 a.m. at the W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville.

Members Present:

Councillor John Creelman (Chair)
Councillor Guy Gardhouse
Councillor Chris Gerrits
Councillor Shane Hall
Councillor Philip Rentsch
Councillor Todd Taylor

Members Absent:

Warden Wade Mills (prior notice)
Councillor Steve Soloman (prior notice)

Staff Present:

Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance,
Treasurer
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity
Steve Murphy, Manager – Preparedness, 911 &
Corporate Projects

Chair Creelman called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Creelman shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ROLL CALL

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

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

REPORTS

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #1
2023 Community Grant Recommendations

A report and presentation from Headwaters Communities In Action, dated April 27, 2023, to recommend allocation of the Dufferin County Community Grand funds.

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Hall

THAT \$25,000 be transferred from Rate Stabilization reserves for the 2023 Community Grants.

-Carried-

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report from Headwaters Communities In Action, dated April 27, 2023, regarding the Community Grant Allocation recommendations, be received;

AND THAT the following allocations be approved:

COMMUNITY GRANTS > \$3,000

Applicant	Amount Recommended
1849 Lorne Scots Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps	\$4,550
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Dufferin & District	\$6,000
Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services	\$5,425
Caledon Meals on Wheels	\$5,000
Dufferin County Canadian Black Association	\$3,500
Dufferin County Multicultural Foundation	\$5,000
Dufferin Parent Support Network	\$12,000
Fiddlehead Care Farm	\$6,500

Applicant	Amount Recommended
Headwaters Arts	\$4,250
Highlands Youth for Christ	\$0
Orangeville & District Horticultural Society	\$2,800
Orangeville & District Seniors Citizens Centre	\$6,200
Rotary Club of Shelburne	\$4,000
Shelburne Cricket Club	\$7,500
Theatre Orangeville	\$7,000
Westside Secondary School	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$84,725

COMMUNITY GRANTS ≤\$3,000

Applicant	Amount Recommended
Achill Choral Society	\$3,000
Bethell Hospice	\$2,325
Career Education Council Guelph Wellington Dufferin	\$3,000
Dufferin Community Foundation	\$3,000
Dufferin County Farm Tour	\$2,000
Dufferin Hi-Land Bruce Trail Club	\$2,000
Dufferin Muslim Centre	\$3,000
Everdale	\$3,000
Grand Valley Public Library	\$3,000
Hockley Historic Community Hall & Church	\$2,000
I Challenge Diabetes	\$1,500
Lesson Up Inc.	\$0
Orangeville Curling Club	\$850
Orton Community Association	\$1,000
PERIOD Ontario	\$0
Primrose Elementary School	\$3,000
Shelburne & District Horticultural Society	\$600
Westminster United Church	\$2,000
TOTAL	\$35,275

-Carried-

2. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
2022 Investment Activity

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, to provide an annual report on investment activity and returns, as required per

Policy 3-6-9 Investments. The Treasurer noted there was a correction in the report on the first page, that should have read the County had approximately \$44 million invested at any given time.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report on 2022 Investment Activity, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

3. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
Annual Report on Long Term Debt Capacity

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, to provide to County Council an annual update on the County's long-term debt position and future borrowing capacity, as required by O.Reg.403/02 (amended to O.Reg.289/11). The Treasurer noted there was a correction in the report on page three, the County could potentially borrow an additional \$45.3 million.

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report on Annual Report on Long Term Debt Capacity, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

4. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #4
Tax Policy Review

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, to inform Council of the tax policy review that will be occurring in 2023.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Hall

THAT the report on Tax Policy Review, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

5. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #5
Annual Development Charges Report

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023,

to report under the direction of the Development Charges Act, (DCA), and under Ont. Reg. 82/98 S. 12, and is also required to satisfy the reporting requirement within Dufferin County's own Development Charges ("DC") Bylaw 2022-28 ("the DC Bylaw").

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Hall

THAT the report on Annual Development Charges Report, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

6. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #6
Winter Storm After-Action Report – December 23-26, 2023

A report from the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 27, 2023, to review the response to the winter storm that occurred December 23 – 26, 2022.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Hall

THAT the report of the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 27, 2023, regarding After Action Report for Winter Storm - December 23-26, 2022, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to investigate technology options to improve notification to staff and stakeholders of an event;

AND THAT staff collaborate with the local municipalities to establish shelter locations with the necessary equipment and supplies;

AND THAT staff support local municipalities to establish and train Volunteer Shelter Management Teams;

AND THAT the costs of equipping each municipality to set up and equip an emergency shelter location be drawn from the Emergency Readiness reserve.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

- 7. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #7
BDO Canada LLP

Correspondence from BDO Canada LLP, dated March 13, 2023, to outline the audit planning process.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Rentsch

THAT the correspondence from BDO Canada LLP, dated March 13, 2023, regarding audit planning, be received.

-Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 25, 2023
W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street,
Orangeville ON

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor John Creelman, Chair
General Government Services Committee