



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville

The meeting will be live streamed on YouTube at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCx9vXkywflJr0LUVkKnYWQ>

1. ROLL CALL

Verbal roll call by the Clerk.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the May 11, 2023 meeting of Council, be approved.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of March 7, 2023, Statutory Planning meeting of April 13, 2023, and the regular meeting of Council of April 13, 2023, be adopted.

5. PROCLAMATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1. Proclamation: Sexual Violence Prevention Month

Family Transition Place will be in attendance to accept the proclamation.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the Public in attendance are able to ask a question. If you are unable to attend and would like to submit a question, please contact us at info@dufferincounty.ca or 519-941-2816 x2500 prior to 4:30 p.m. on May 10, 2023.

7. PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

7.1. Infrastructure & Environmental Services Minutes – April 27, 2023

THAT the minutes of the Infrastructure and Environmental Services meeting held on April 27, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

**INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #1
County Forest and Rail Trail – By-Law Amendments**

THAT the Report, County Forest and Rail Trail – By-Law Amendments, dated April 27, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to update the applicable by-law in accordance with the outlined amendments;

AND THAT staff be directed to forward the updated schedule of set fines to the Ministry of the Attorney General for approval.

**INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Revised User Fees**

THAT Report, Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Revised User Fees, dated April 27, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT the Fees By-law 2015-41 be amended to include the revised Electric Vehicle Charging Station fee structure described in this report.

**INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
OP Trust Lands Development – Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth
Temporary Intersection Improvements**

THAT the Report, OP Trust Lands Development – Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line

Amaranth Temporary Intersection Improvements, dated April 27, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with the necessary agreement(s) and/or processes to secure funds from the developer to cover the full costs of construction and contract administration for the temporary intersection improvement work for Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with incorporating the temporary intersection work for Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth within the Capital Work Plan.

7.2. General Government Services Minutes – April 27, 2023

THAT the minutes of the General Government Services meeting held on April 27, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

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

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

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
Headwaters Arts	\$4,250

Applicant	Amount Recommended
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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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

7.3. Health and Human Services Minutes – April 27, 2023

THAT the minutes of the Health and Human Services meeting held on April 27, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #1
Homelessness Prevention Program Update

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Homelessness Prevention Program Update, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
Early Years and Child Care - Knowing Our Numbers

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Early Years and Child Care – Knowing Our Numbers, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
Community Services Annual Review 2022

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Community Services Annual Review 2022, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #4
Senior Services and Housing Needs Review Update

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated April 27, 2023, regarding the Seniors Services and Housing Needs Review Update, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to recruit a one year contract position to manage the project;

AND THAT the Rate Stabilization Reserve be used as required to fund the position.

7.4. Community Development & Tourism Minutes – April 27, 2023

THAT the minutes of the Community Development and Tourism meeting held on April 27, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – February 23, 2023 – ITEM #1
Walter Kolodziechuk

THAT the Committee supports the request to honour veterans at the Museum of Dufferin (MoD) by flying a flag for Remembrance Week, as well as a display highlighting the service of past and present local military members.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
Land Use Planning Application Portal

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Land Use Planning Application Portal", dated April 27, 2023, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to evaluate software options and report back.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
County's Role Regarding Residential Tenancy Matters

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "County's Role regarding Residential Tenancy Matters", dated April 27, 2023, be received.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #4
Museum Strategic Plan Implementation

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Museum Strategic Plan Implementation", dated April 27, 2023, be received.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #5
Economic Development Strategy Workshop

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Economic Development Strategy Workshop", dated April 27, 2023, be received.

7.5. Director of Community Services & Director of Development & Tourism's Report – Bill 97 – Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023

REPORT TO BE DISTRIBUTED WHEN AVAILABLE.

7.6. Chief Administrative Officer’s Report – Monthly Report from Outside Boards

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated May 11, 2023, to provide Council with an update of activities from outside boards and agencies.

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated May 11, 2023, with respect to Reports from Outside Boards, be received.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1. Township of Amaranth

A resolution from the Township of Amaranth, dated May 2, 2023, regarding a commitment to shared and combined services with Dufferin County and all municipalities within Dufferin.

9. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

10. MOTIONS

11. CLOSED SESSION

12. BY-LAWS

2023-28 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Upper Grand District School Board. (Lease Agreement – Edelbrock Centre)
Authorization: Council – May 11, 2023

THAT By-Law 2023-28, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

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

THAT by-law 2023-xx be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

15. ADJOURNMENT

THAT the meeting adjourn.



DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, March 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

Council Members Present:

Warden Wade Mills (Shelburne)
Councillor Guy Gardhouse (East Garafraxa)
Councillor Chris Gerrits (Amaranth)
Councillor James McLean (Melancthon)
Councillor Fred Nix (Mono)
Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville)
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)
Councillor Darren White (Melancthon)

Council Members Absent:

Councillor John Creelman (Mono)
Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne)
Councillor Earl Hawkins (Mulmur)(prior notice)
Councillor Janet Horner (Mulmur)(prior notice)
Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth)(prior notice)
Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley)
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)

Staff Present:

Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk

Warden Mills called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

Warden Mills announced that the meeting is being held in Closed Session as per the Municipal Act, Section 239 (2)(3.1) education or training of the members.

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Warden Mills shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

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

3. **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Gerrits

THAT Council moved into Closed Session (6:03 p.m.) in accordance with the Municipal Act, Section 239 (3.1) – Education or Training of the members.

-Carried-

While in Closed Session, Council members received a presentation from StrategyCorp that provided an overview of the process to date on the Strategic Plan and the framework.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Post

THAT Council move into open session (8:51 p.m.).

-Carried-

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 9, 2023
W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street,
Orangeville ON

Wade Mills, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk



DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES – STATUTORY MEETING

Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, 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)
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)
Councillor Darren White (Melancthon)

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne)
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)(prior notice)

Staff Present:

Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer
Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Cody Joudry, Director of Development & Tourism
Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity
Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks
Silva Yousif, Senior Planner

Warden Mills called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Warden Mills announced that the meeting is being 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 White, seconded by Councillor Post

THAT the Agenda distributed for the Statutory Public Meeting for the County of Dufferin Municipal Comprehensive Review for April 13, 2023, 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. **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

A copy of the Notice of Public meeting under Section 26 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, to receive input regarding the Municipal Comprehensive Review.

Public Notice was given by the following means:

- A copy was made available to the local municipalities
- Dufferin County's website
- Join In Dufferin Community Engagement platform.
- Ads were placed in the following newspapers on the following dates:
 - Alliston Herald on March 23, 2022
 - Creemore Echo on March 24, 2023
 - Dundalk Herald on March 22, 2023
 - Orangeville Banner on March 23, 2023
 - Orangeville Citizen on March 23, 2023

- Shelburne Free Press on March 23, 2023
- Wellington Advertiser on March 23, 2023

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

6. WSP – Municipal Comprehensive Review

Cody Joudry, Director of Planning and Development, noted the Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) is broken into three phases. The first phase is allocation or growth management, which is broadly how much the County anticipated to grow by and how that is roughly allocated to each municipality, how many jobs will be generated and how much, if any, land is required to expand in terms of municipal settlement boundaries. Several meetings have been held in relation to the first phase, and Council approved a draft of Phase One to submit to the Province for review. Phase Two of the MCR will cover mapping and Phase Three is about policy.

Matt Alexander, Practice Lead and Project Manager, WSP, presented with respect to the Dufferin County Municipal Comprehensive Review. The purpose of this Statutory meeting is to present the proposed first phase Growth Management Official Plan Amendment being put forward for consideration as a result of the County's Municipal Comprehensive Review under Section 26 of the Planning Act.

The work plan for the MCR has evolved since its beginning in 2019, partially because of legislation changes and policies introduced by the Province and other delays beyond control. A draft Growth Plan Confirmatory Report has been prepared, as well as a Land Needs Assessment.

The purpose and effect of the proposed Amendment is to update the policies and land use schedules of the Official Plan to conform with A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Great Golden Horseshoe (2020), and to implement the County's Land Needs Assessment completed as part of the Dufferin County Municipal Comprehensive Review.

A Public Information Centre related to this Official Plan Amendment (OPA) was held on July 26, 2022. WSP received formal comments from 16 individuals in regard to this specific phase of the MCR, along with many other general comments that will be addressed in further phases. The OPA was drafted based on the population and employment growth allocations with modifications based on the feedback received. Council's request to provide a greater allocation of employment to the Town of Grand Valley was also implemented. The revised

draft was presented to County Council on August 18, 2022, and forwarded to the Province for review and comment as the approval authority. Formal comments have not been received from the Province but the Province has forwarded support for the proposed amendment.

General housekeeping updates are included, such as references to the planning horizon of 2051, and the title of the 2020 Growth Plan.

In Section 3.2.1, the number of people and jobs, as well the planning horizons, have been replaced with the forecast of 100,600 residents and 40,900 jobs to the year 2051.

The County Population table, which shows the County population and employment numbers to 2051, was updated. Also updated were the population allocation table per municipality (2021 estimate and forecasted allocations to 2051) and the number of jobs by municipality (2021 estimate and forecasted allocations to 2051) table. As part of updating these tables, WSP collaborated with Dufferin County and the lower tier municipalities to prepare the previously noted tables based on the latest census. Natural population increases and decreases, as well as migration within the County and within the region, were taken into consideration. Matt Alexander noted the copy of these two tables circulated with the agenda package contained errors in the "2021-2051 Growth" column, but they have been corrected for this presentation.

The minimum intensification targets for each of the Urban Settlement Areas within the County were also updated as the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe mandates that the 40% of all new development in the County must be located within the delineated built-up areas found in the Towns of Grand Valley, Orangeville and Shelburne. A detailed exercise took place to determine the appropriate numbers and what could be accommodated by each Town. The numbers for Grand Valley show of all the growth expected to occur by 2051 with 40% to be directed or aimed to be accommodated within the existing built-up area; 60% for Orangeville within the built-up area; and 48% for Shelburne. These numbers considered along with the population forecasts, should work out to a total 40% of all growth in the County being directed into the delineated built-up areas.

In Section 3.4.3., the following was added to the end of paragraph (b):

"To meet the minimum Designated Greenfield Density targets, the Towns of Grand Valley, Orangeville and Shelburne should plan to accommodate the following numbers of people and jobs within their greenfield areas by 2051:

- Grand Valley – at least 5,600 people and jobs to achieve a density target of 32 people and jobs per hectare.
- Orangeville - at least 7,038 people and jobs to achieve a density target of 46 people and jobs per hectare.
- Shelburne – at least 3,608 people and jobs to achieve a density target of 41 people and jobs per hectare.”

Greenfield areas are parts of the municipality that are within the municipality’s settlement areas but outside the delineated built-up area. The decision to increase the settlement area boundary for Grand Valley means the target of 5,600 people will be too low to achieve the density target within the larger area that was decided on.

The amendment also included a number of other updates including the Forecast for Community Employment Uses (Commercial, Institutional or Mixed-Use land needs) to 2051, which adds into the justification for settlement area boundary expansions. Also updated was the Greenfield Residential Land Needs Projections for each municipality.

Following this Public meeting, Council may adopt the proposed OPA. The adopted Amendment would then be forwarded to the Province for a decision. The Province can approve as is, modify it, or refuse it and send it back. The Province’s decision is final.

As part of Phase Two, a draft Amendment to update the mapping in the Schedules of the Official Plan has been forwarded to the Province for review and comment. The new mapping includes expanded Settlement Areas. It also updates the natural heritage mapping, agriculture lands and general land use designations.

Phase Three will include general policy updates. The Official Plan has a number of land use policies which direct growth and development throughout the County. A review and update of those will be undertaken this spring and summer.

7. **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

Warden Mills noted written comments were circulated with the regular Council agenda for April 13, 2023 with the report titled Dufferin County Official Plan Amendment No. 02. Additional comments were circulated on desk from Enbridge.

Councillor Horner noted given the Province released new policies with less density and land use on April 6, 2023, will Dufferin County continue with that in mind or as planned? Matt Alexander, WSP, noted the proposed policies that were released are open for public comment until June 6th. The approach to implementation that was released at the same time stated that any revised or new policies wouldn't come into effect until the fall at the earliest. It states that Official Plan updates and Municipal Comprehensive Reviews that area already underway, should continue to use the 2051 population and employment forecasts of the Growth Plan. Given the nature of those changes and the state of this project as is, WSP's recommendation is to continue forward with the work already undertaken. By the time Council reviews Phase Three (general policies update) for adoption, the outcome of the proposed changes to the Provincial Planning Statement will be known and some of the changes could be addressed in the Phase 3 update. For the purposes of this Amendment, since the proposed policies are in a draft state, it would not be beneficial to delay.

Councillor White noted that the table showing the number of jobs by municipality (2021 estimate and forecasted allocations to 2051) had incorrect figures in the growth column for three municipalities. Matt Alexander noted those were caught just prior to the meeting and were corrected for the presentation. Those tables have been corrected in the Amendment document.

Councillor Creelman noted there has been a lot of work that has come into the MCR. When you read what the Province has been posted to the Environmental Registry, Councillor Creelman is concerned that the effort put in thus far may be wasted.

Councillor Nix is also worried about the Province's announcement on April 6th. If Council continues and works towards the density targets decided upon, then the draft policies proposed would be meaningless essentially. He is curious to know how many other municipalities are in the same position as Dufferin County. WSP is not aware of how many municipalities may be impacted but noted the Province released decisions on April 18th on two upper tier Official Plans and one single tier Official Plan without reference to the draft policies that were just released. Matt Alexander also noted that if the completed MCR was adopted today and submitted to the Province for approval, the Province would be required to make a decision based on the policies in effect on the date of adoption. After it becomes adopted, there is no statutory requirement to update it for another ten years. At this time, there is no provision in the proposed Provincial Policy Statement to amend recently updated Official Plans to conform. However, a risk assessment would have to be done as any decisions of individual planning

applications (i.e. plan of subdivision) that are made by County Council or lower tier municipalities after those new policies come into effect, would need to be in alignment with the new Provincial Policy Statement.

Councillor Nix noted that since the Province has 90 or 120 days to review an Amendment, they will not review the Amendment until the proposed policies are in effect, and expressed concerns that they would reject it requesting conformity with the new policies. WSP advised 90 or 120 days are in reference to the Province's timeline for providing comments on the draft Amendment. The Province could decide not to review the Amendment until the draft policies are in effect; however, since the Province released three decisions following the release of the draft policies, WSP is hopeful the Amendment will be reviewed.

Warden Mills invited the Public to make comments or ask questions with a limit of five minutes per person. He requested questions be limited to the growth management under Phase One, broader questions about mapping or general policy can be made by email to staff at any time or at the particular Statutory Meeting for those phases.

Charles Hooker, an East Garafraxa resident, noted he believes policies should be put in place first prior to deciding on the land arrangements. Matt Alexander, WSP, noted that the first OPA is intended to lock in what the population and employment forecasts and allocations for the local municipalities will be. From that, based on how much growth each municipality is expected to accommodate, it is possible to determine how much land is necessary to be added to any settlement areas (Phase Two). Phase Three is updating general land use policies, such as, uses permitted in the urban centres versus rural communities, policies related to employment uses, policies related to additional residential uses. These policies will not affect the number of people who can come into the County/municipalities.

Ray Drisdelle, a Mono resident, attended the January 22, 2022 Public Information Centre on Phase Two Mapping. He believes Orangeville is out of development land and does not understand why other municipalities are developing but Orangeville is land locked. Cody Joudry, Director of Planning and Development, noted each municipality has a settlement boundary and a municipal boundary, that are not the same. Orangeville's settlement boundary has reached its edge of the municipal boundary. The Town of Orangeville will have to take steps to plan to accommodate the projected growth over the next 30 years. Mr. Drisdelle advised he is concerned that there isn't future growth for Orangeville. The Director noted Orangeville is set to grow by 7,500 people in the next 30 years,

which requires intensification and using different building envelopes. The Director reviewed the population growth forecasted for each municipality. Warden Mills noted it would be up to Orangeville to seek a municipal boundary expansion. The Director noted as part of the MCR the County cannot redraw municipal boundaries. The Director confirmed that once Orangeville meets its intensification target, a portion of their growth could occur through a boundary expansion. As future Municipal Comprehensive Reviews are completed, 30 year growth forecasts will be done. If Orangeville addresses its growth constraints, then more growth could be directed their way.

Mark Tijssen, an Amaranth resident, noted 60% of Dufferin's growth will happen outside the delineated built-up areas over the next 28 years. He is concerned that putting 60% out of 80% of growth outside the delineated built-up area will cause encroachment on wetland or agricultural land and would like Council to protect farmland. The Director of Planning and Development confirmed it is suggested that 40% of the growth could within the delineated built-up area and the rest could go elsewhere. As part of Phase Two, an expansion of the amount of prime agricultural land is being reviewed. Warden Mills noted those further discussions will happen through Phase Two and Phase Three.

Bob Currie, an Amaranth resident, is concerned that only three municipalities are seeing growth, as he would like to see more growth in his township. He doesn't believe growth has been beneficial for Orangeville or Shelburne. He noted he is seeing many acres of farmland being developed. Mr. Currie would like to see rural severances approved. The Director confirmed there is growth going to every Dufferin municipality. Protection of prime agricultural land is addressed as part of Phase Two; however, as part of this exercise, this Council is protecting more prime agricultural land than previous after consultation with each municipality. Councillor White noted Melancthon is trying to balance the protection of prime agricultural land and growth by directing development close to nearby towns so that only a minimal amount of prime agricultural land is used. While it is important to maintain prime agriculture land, they must also be able to maintain the municipal budget to afford the services offered.

Shawn Crockatt, an Orangeville resident, inquired if any of the MCR phases will address the lack of affordable housing in Dufferin County. Warden Mills stressed County Council is aware of the affordability issue and Council agrees something must be done. The MCR process cannot address housing affordability, but Dufferin County is working on their strategic plan, where one of the priorities is affordability. Council will do what they can at a municipal level to leverage the policies to address the housing and affordability crisis.

Mauizio Rogato, Principal Planner, Blackthorn Development Corporation, representing Line 2 Developments Inc. with land in Mono wished to confirm that their previous comments will be part of the record. In his opinion, it is prudent to wait for the formal Provincial response prior to adopting the Amendment. He notes while these are separate amendments, they are completely inter-related – the population & employment forecasts, the mapping and the policies. Their client, as they have expressed previously, doesn't support the proposed redesignation of their lands to employment use; they support the current designation which permits residential uses and will be advancing an application for the same. The lands are located within existing settlement area. Therefore, permitting the lands to proceed to development as permitted today would allow housing options within the Town of Mono, while also perhaps lessening the pressures for agricultural consumption of land and settlement boundary expansion. The Director of Planning and Development responded that this is a Phase Two matter.

The Director noted Council's consideration of the Official Plan Amendment will take place during the regular meeting to follow.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

Warden Mills called a recess at 7:16 p.m.

Wade Mills, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk



DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Thursday, April 13, 2023 immediately following the Statutory Planning Meeting
W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, 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)
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)
Councillor Darren White (Melancthon)

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)(prior notice)

Staff Present:

Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer
Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Cody Joudry, Director of Development & Tourism
Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity
Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks
Silva Yousif, Senior Planner
Sara MacRae, Manager of Climate & Energy

Councillor Hall joined the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Warden Mills called the meeting to order after a recess at 7:38 p.m.

Warden Mills announced that the meeting is being live streamed and publicly broadcast.

The recording of this meeting will also be available on our website in the future.
Upcoming committee meetings will be held in the Dufferin Room at 30 Centre St, Orangeville on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at the following times:
Infrastructure & Environmental Services Committee – 9:00 a.m.
General Government Services Committee – 11:00 a.m.
Health & Human Services Committee – 1:00 p.m.
Community Development & Tourism Committee – 3:00 p.m.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Warden Mills noted Item #7.5 Dufferin Climate Adaptation Plan will be moved to discuss prior to Item #7.1 Infrastructure and Environmental Services minutes.

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Horner

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the April 13, 2023 meeting of Council, as amended, be approved.

-Carried-

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

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

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Rentsch

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of March 9, 2023, and the special meeting of Council of April 4, 2023, be adopted.

-Carried-

PROCLAMATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4. **Proclamation: Sikh Flag Raising**

Narinder Paul Singh requested the Sikh flag be raised at the Dufferin County office for the month of April 2023.

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the Sikh flag be raised at the Dufferin County office for the month of April 2023.

-Carried-

5. **Proclamation: National Volunteer Week – April 16 – 22, 2023**

Warden Mills proclaimed the week of April 16-22, 2023 to be National Volunteer week in the County of Dufferin.

Sheralyn Roman, Community Engagement Coordinator, Headwaters Communities In Action, accepted the proclamation and spoke about organizations and opportunities in Dufferin.

6. **Proclamation: Health & Safety Month – May 2023**

Warden Mills proclaimed the month of May 2023 to be Health and Safety Month in the County of Dufferin.

7. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions received from the public.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

8. **Director of Public Works/County Engineer's Report – Dufferin Climate Adaptation Plan**

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated April 13, 2023, to present the Dufferin Climate Adaptation Plan developed as part of the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Canada's Advancing Adaptation Program.

Sara MacRae, Manager of Climate and Energy, presented the Climate Adaption Strategy to Council.

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT Report, Dufferin Climate Adaptation Strategy, dated April 13, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT the Dufferin Climate Adaptation Strategy be adopted.

-Carried-

9. **Infrastructure & Environmental Services Minutes – March 23, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Hawkins, seconded by Councillor Horner

THAT the minutes of the Infrastructure and Environmental Services meeting held on March 23, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

-Carried-

10. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #1
The Dufferin Rooftop Recreational Riders Association

THAT staff be authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Dufferin Rooftop Recreational Riders Association to use the Dufferin Rail Trail.

11. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #2
Climate Action Report Card – 2022

THAT Report, Climate Action Report Card - 2022, dated March 23, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received.

12. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #3
Financing the BetterHomes Dufferin Program

THAT Report, Financing the BetterHomes Dufferin Program, dated March 23, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be approved to advance an application to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Community Energy Financing Program;

AND THAT \$3.75 million from reserves be committed as recoverable debt for the BetterHomes Dufferin Program to be eligible for the maximum FCM funding of \$15 million.

13. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #4
Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team (DCFAT) Restructure

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 23, 2023, Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team - Restructure, be received;

AND THAT the Terms of Reference for the Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team be approved;

AND THAT staff be directed to establish the Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference.

14. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #5
Dufferin County Forest Annual Report – 2022

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 23, 2023, Dufferin County Forest Annual Report – 2022, be received.

15. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #6
Blue Box Transition Update – March 2023

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 23, 2023, Blue Box Transition Update – March 2023, be received.

16. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #7
Capital Project Update – March 2023

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 23, 2023, Capital Project Update – March 2023, be received.

17. **General Government Services Minutes – March 23, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the minutes of the General Government Services meeting held on March 23, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

-Carried-

18. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #1
2022 Year End Report

THAT the report from Headwaters Communities In Action, dated March 23, 2023, regarding the 2022 year-end report, be received.

19. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #2
Revisions to the Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund

THAT the report of the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated March 23, 2023, regarding Revisions to the Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund, be approved;

AND THAT the revisions, as amended, to the Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund be incorporated as proposed in this report effective April 14, 2023.

20. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #3
People & Equity: 2022 Activity Report

THAT the report of the Director People & Equity titled 2022 Activity Report, dated March 23, 2023, be received.

21. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #4
Advisory Committee Update: Recommended Appointments & Selection Process

THAT the report of the Director People & Equity, titled Advisory Committee Updates: Recommended Appointments & Selection Process, dated March 23, 2023, be received;

AND THAT the following people be appointed to the Access Dufferin Accessibility Advisory Committee and the Diversity Equity Inclusion Community Advisory Committee:

Accessibility Advisory Committee

- Diane Bailey
- Trevor Lewis
- David Vahey

Diversity Equity Inclusion Community Advisory Committee

- Sabina Greenley
- Arvandi Komal
- Trisha Linton
- Jordan Anthony Paltooram-Dedier

22. **Health and Human Services Minutes – March 23, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the minutes of the Health and Human Services meeting held on March 23, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

-Carried-

23. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #1
2022 Resident & Family Satisfaction Survey

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 23, 2023, with regards to the Dufferin Oaks 2022 Resident and Family Satisfaction Survey, be received.

24. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #2
2023 Accreditation Report

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 23, 2023, regarding the 2023 Accreditation Report, be received.

25. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #3
Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – Fourth Quarter 2022

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – Fourth Quarter, 2022, dated March 23, 2023, be received.

26. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 23, 2023 – ITEM #4
Reallocation of Funding Notice

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 23, 2023, regarding the Reallocation of Funding Notice be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to purchase a mobility van with funds allocated from Ontario Health.

27. **Director of Development & Tourism’s Report – Dufferin County Official Plan Amendment No. 02**

A report from the Director of Development and Tourism, dated April 13, 2023, to outline the Official Plan Amendment No. 02, which updates the policies and forecast tables of the Official Plan to conform with A Place to Grow: Growth Plan

for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2020) and implement the County's Land Needs Assessment completed as part of the Dufferin County Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR).

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Horner

THAT the report from the Director of Planning and Tourism, dated April 13, 2023, Dufferin County Official Plan Amendment No. 02 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase 1 Growth Management), be received;

AND THAT the necessary bylaw be presented to County Council to adopt the proposed County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment No. 02 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase 1 Growth Management);

AND THAT Notice of Adoption of County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment No. 02 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase I Growth Management) be provided in accordance with the Planning Act;

AND THAT the Official Plan Amendment record of adoption be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval.

-Carried-

28. Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer's Report – 2022 Financial Results

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 13, 2023, to provide an overview of 2022 financial results. Highlighting transfers to and from reserves, as well as additional transfers that require Council approval.

Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor White

THAT the report of the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 13, 2023, regarding 2022 Year End Results, be received;

AND THAT the following 2022 reserve transfers be approved:

Reserve Name	Transfer Amount
Public Housing Capital Reserve Fund	-\$242,192
Childrens Services Reserve Fund	\$138,805
Reserve for Housing Programming	\$44,639
OCIF Reserve Fund	\$108,269

-Carried-

29. **Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer & Procurement Manager's Report – First Quarter Procurement Report**

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer and Procurement Manager, dated April 13, 2023 to provide the quarterly update on all Request for Tenders and Request for Proposals in accordance with By-law 2017-33 Procurement of Goods and Services 2017, Section (4.2.7).

Moved by Councillor Hawkins, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the First Quarter Procurement Report, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer and the Procurement Manager, dated April 13, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

30. **Administrator of Dufferin Oaks' Report – 2023/24 Long Term Care Service Accountability Agreement**

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated April 13, 2023, to complete the required agreement to the Long Term Care Service Accountability Agreement (LSAA) with Ontario Health.

Moved by Councillor Hawkins, seconded by Councillor Horner

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated April 13, 2023, regarding the Long Term Care Service Accountability Agreement, be received;

AND THAT the County of Dufferin signs the Service Accountability Agreement with the Central West Region for the period April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024.

-Carried-

31. **Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Monthly Report from Outside Boards**

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated April 13, 2023, to provide Council with an update of activities from outside boards and agencies.

Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Taylor

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated April 13, 2023, with respect to Reports from Outside Boards, be received.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

32. Niagara Escarpment Commission

Correspondence from the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC), dated March 13, 2023, requesting an additional nomination for appointment to the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Taylor

THAT Councillor Little's name be submitted as an additional candidate to be appointed to the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

-Carried-

33. Association of Ontario Road Supervisors

Correspondence from the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors, dated March 27, 2023, to request Council support in opposing a proposed fee from Enbridge Gas.

Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor White

WHEREAS Enbridge recently made an announcement of their intention to begin charging third-party contractors and other utilities \$200 CAD (plus applicable taxes) for utility locates where a field locate is required;

AND WHEREAS third-party contractors include Ontario municipalities;

AND WHEREAS these locate requests are only required as Ontario municipalities have allowed utilities to use municipal right of ways at no charge to the utilities;

AND WHEREAS, this announcement of new downloaded costs will negatively impact the budgets of Ontario municipalities which are already burdened;

AND WHEREAS if Enbridge is successful in implementing this new charge, a precedence is set for other utility companies to also begin charging for locates;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the County of Dufferin strongly opposes these utility locate costs being downloaded to Ontario municipalities by Enbridge Gas or other utilities;

AND THAT the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery make it clear that these costs must be borne by the utilities themselves;

AND THAT this decision be forwarded to Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma, Minister of Energy Todd Smith, Premier Doug Ford, Dufferin County's MPP, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

-Carried-

34. **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

35. **MOTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Creelman, seconded by Councillor Post

WHEREAS it is desirous to ensure municipalities in Dufferin County are purchasing goods and services in the most cost effective and efficient way;

AND WHEREAS, cost economies and efficiencies may be realized through group purchasing and participation with Group Purchasing Organizations (GPOs) such as the Canoe Procurement Group of Canada (LAS/AMO), Sourcewell, Kinetic as well as federal and provincial organized buying opportunities to name but a few examples;

AND WHEREAS group purchase of goods and services by Dufferin municipalities appears fragmented and, at the very least, better explained and promoted;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive a report from municipal staff indicating the following information:

- **GPOs and others engaged by the municipality to realize group purchasing opportunities**
- **Examples of group purchasing experiences over the previous calendar year and where possible, information regarding outcomes**
- **Targets and objectives for the upcoming year to achieve economies and efficiencies in the purchase of goods and services for the municipality;**

AND THAT such a report be presented to Council ideally along with the annual budget but no later than May 1st of every year.

Councillor Nix left the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

A recorded vote was requested and taken as follows:

	Yay	Nay
Councillor Creelman (3)	x	
Councillor Gardhouse (2)		x
Councillor Gerrits (1)	x	
Councillor Hall (2)	x	
Councillor Hawkins (1)		x
Councillor Horner (1)		x
Councillor Little (1)		x
Councillor McLean (1)	x	
Councillor Mills (2)		x
Councillor Nix (2)	ABSENT	
Councillor Post (8)		x
Councillor Rentsch (1)		x
Councillor Soloman (1)	ABSENT	
Councillor Taylor (7)		x
Councillor White (1)		x
Total (31)	7	24
	-MOTION LOST-	

36. **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the Closed session minutes from the March 9, 2023 meeting of Council be adopted.

-Carried-

37. **BY-LAWS**

2023-22 A by-law ratify the actions of the Warden and Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Orwill Allergy Products Limited. (Lease Agreement – Mel Lloyd Centre)

Authorization: Council – April 13, 2023

2023-23 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Ontario Health. (Long Term Care Homes Service Accountability Agreement)

Authorization: Council – April 13, 2023

2023-24 A by-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Upper Grand

District School Board. (Lease Agreement – Mel Lloyd Centre)

Authorization: Council – April 13, 2023

2023-25 A by-law to adopt Amendment No. 2 to the Official Plan for the County of Dufferin.

Authorization: Council – April 13, 2023

2023-26 A by-law to appoint Aaron Ryckman as a Building Inspector under the Building Code Act and to repeal By-Law #2019-16.

Authorization: Council – April 13, 2023

Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Post

THAT By-Laws 2023-22 through to 2023-26, inclusive, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

38. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Warden Mills noted Dufferin County will be hosting an Emergency Management Forum on May 31, 2023. All Councillors are encouraged to attend as part of Provincially mandated training.

Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer, noted the requested homelessness delegation at the Ontario Good Roads Association was not granted.

Councillor Taylor noted he likes hybrid meetings but he believes better equipment is needed. Staff noted we are currently working with an audio visual company to source better equipment for all the meeting rooms in the building and enhanced equipment should help with the concerns.

Councillor White advised he would like County Council to support Bill 5 – Stop Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act. Many municipalities have supported Bill 5 already.

Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Post

THAT Dufferin County Council supports Bill 5 - Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Stephen Blais, and local MPPs.

-Carried-

Councillor Horner noted former Premier, Kathleen Wynne , presented to Mulmur Council regarding an overview of Bill 5. Councillor Post noted they are receiving the same presentation at Orangeville Council. The Clerk noted an invitation has been extended to Kathleen Wynne to present to County Council.

39. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

2023-27 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on April 13, 2023.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT By-Law 2023-27, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

40. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 11, 2023
 W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street,
 Orangeville ON

Wade Mills, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk



INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

The Committee met at 9:00 a.m. at the W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville.

Members Present: Councillor Chris Gerrits (Chair)
Councillor Shane Hall
Councillor Janet Horner
Councillor James McLean
Warden Wade Mills (arrived at 9:05 a.m.)
Councillor Fred Nix
Councillor Todd Taylor

Members Absent: Councillor Steve Soloman (prior notice)

Staff Present: Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Sara MacRae, Manager of Climate & Energy
Caroline Mach, County Forest Manager

Chair Gerrits called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Gerrits shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of 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. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #1
County Forest and Rail Trail – By-Law Amendments

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated April 27, 2023, to outline several changes related to the County Forest/Rail Trail By-law 2017-39.

Warden Mills arrived at 9:05 a.m.

Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Hall

THAT the Report, County Forest and Rail Trail – By-Law Amendments, dated April 27, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to update the applicable by-law in accordance with the outlined amendments;

AND THAT staff be directed to forward the updated schedule of set fines to the Ministry of the Attorney General for approval.

-Carried-

2. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Revised User Fees

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 23, 2023, to outline proposed adjustments to the electric vehicle charging stations to align with current charging fees and cover operating costs.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Taylor

THAT Report, Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Revised User Fees, dated April 27, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT the Fees By-law 2015-41 be amended to include the revised Electric Vehicle Charging Station fee structure described in this report.

-Carried-

3. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
OP Trust Lands Development – Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth Temporary
Intersection Improvements

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated April 27, 2023, to outline a temporary solution for the intersection of Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth and to seek direction to proceed with obtaining the necessary funds from the developer to fund the work.

Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Warden Mills

THAT the Report, OP Trust Lands Development – Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth Temporary Intersection Improvements, dated April 27, 2023, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with the necessary agreement(s) and/or processes to secure funds from the developer to cover the full costs of construction and contract administration for the temporary intersection improvement work for Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with incorporating the temporary intersection work for Dufferin Road 109/2nd Line Amaranth within the Capital Work Plan.

-Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 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 Chris Gerrits, Chair
Infrastructure & Environmental Services Committee



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



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

The Committee met at 1:00 p.m. at the W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre St, Orangeville.

Members Present: Councillor Darren White (Chair)
Councillor Guy Gardhouse
Councillor Earl Hawkins
Councillor Gail Little
Councillor James McLean
Warden Wade Mills
Councillor Fred Nix
Councillor Philip Rentsch

Members Absent: Councillor Lisa Post (prior notice)

Staff Present: Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Brenda Wagner, Administrator, Dufferin Oaks
Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic

Chair White called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair White shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of 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. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #1
Homelessness Prevention Program Update

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated April 27, 2023, to detail the newly announced funding change to the Provincial Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP)

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Nix

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Homelessness Prevention Program Update, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

2. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
Early Years and Child Care - Knowing Our Numbers

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated April 27, 2023, to outline how the County of Dufferin's Early Years and Child Care Division is participating in Atkinson Centre's "Knowing Our Numbers".

Moved by Warden Mills, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Early Years and Child Care – Knowing Our Numbers, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

3. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
Community Services Annual Review 2022

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated April 27, 2023, to provide a summary of Dufferin County Community Service's activities, operations,

accomplishments, and program directions in the 2022 calendar year, as well as plans for 2023.

Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Community Services Annual Review 2022, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

4. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #4
Senior Services and Housing Needs Review Update

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated April 27, 2023, to inform committee members of the upcoming Seniors Services and Housing Needs Review and to request additional staff to support this project.

Moved by Warden Mills, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated April 27, 2023, regarding the Seniors Services and Housing Needs Review Update, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to recruit a one year contract position to manage the project;

AND THAT the Rate Stabilization Reserve be used as required to fund the position.

-Carried-

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair White noted that yesterday was Administrative Professional's Day. He thanked all the administrative staff at the County.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 25, 2023
W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre St, Orangeville

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor Darren White, Chair
Health and Human Services Committee



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE MINUTES **Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.**

The Committee met at 3:00 p.m. at the Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre St, Orangeville.

Members Present: Councillor Janet Horner (Chair) (arrived at 3:19 p.m.)
Councillor John Creelman (arrived at 3:03 p.m.)
Councillor Earl Hawkins
Councillor Gail Little
Warden Wade Mills
Councillor Darren White

Members Absent: Councillor Lisa Post (prior notice)

Staff Present: Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Cody Joudry, Director of Development and Tourism
Becky MacNaughtan, Chief Building Official
Sarah Robinson, Museum Services Manager (Interim)
Yaw Ennin, Economic Development Manager
Silva Yousif, Senior Planner

Warden Mills (Acting Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Warden Mills shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

DELEGATIONS

1. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – February 23, 2023 – ITEM #1
Walter Kolodziechuk

Councillor Creelman joined the meeting at 3:03 p.m.

A delegation from Walter Kolodziechuk and Rev. Horsley regarding a veterans display at the Museum of Dufferin (MoD). The Shelburne Legion would like to host a ceremony at the MoD on the first day of Veterans Week. They would like to see the flag flown for Remembrance Week, as well as a display at the MoD highlighting the service of local military members, both past and present.

Moved by Councillor Hawkins, seconded by Councillor White

THAT the Committee supports the request to honour veterans at the Museum of Dufferin (MoD) by flying a flag for Remembrance Week, as well as a display highlighting the service of past and present local military members.

-Carried-

Chair Horner joined the meeting at 3:19 p.m.

REPORTS

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #2
Land Use Planning Application Portal

A report from the Director of Development & Tourism, dated April 27, 2023, to provide an overview of staff activities with regards to digitizing the land use planning application intake process and public reporting requirements.

Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Land Use Planning Application Portal", dated April 27, 2023, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to evaluate software options and report back.

-Carried-

3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #3
County’s Role Regarding Residential Tenancy Matters

A report from the Director of Development & Tourism, dated April 27, 2023, to provide information on responsibilities and authorities regarding residential tenancy and property standards matters.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, “County’s Role regarding Residential Tenancy Matters”, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

4. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #4
Museum Strategic Plan Implementation

A report from the Director of Development & Tourism, dated April 27, 2023, to update the Committee on the progress and execution of the Museum’s Strategic Plan.

Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor White

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, “Museum Strategic Plan Implementation”, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – April 27, 2023 – ITEM #5
Economic Development Strategy Workshop

A report from the Director of Development & Tourism, dated April 27, 2023, to provide the Committee with an outline of the proposed Economic Development Strategy Workshop, as part of strategic economic development planning process.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Creelman

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, “Economic Development Strategy Workshop”, dated April 27, 2023, be received.

-Carried-

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Horner advised she was awarded the "Friend of the Greenbelt Award" from the Greenbelt Foundation. The Award recognizes those who actively champion the Greenbelt through their actions and community engagement.

Director of Planning and Development, Cody Joudry, noted a report will come to the May 11, 2023 Council meeting to outline Bill 97 – Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023. The Director will prepare a draft letter to the Province for Council's consideration regarding Dufferin County's concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 25, 2023
Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre St, Orangeville

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor Janet Horner, Chair
Community Development and Tourism Committee



Report To: Warden Mills and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: May 11, 2023

Subject: Monthly Update from Outside Boards

From: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer

Recommendation

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated May 11, 2023, with respect to Reports from Outside Boards, be received.

Executive Summary

This report provides Council with an update of activities from outside boards and agencies, for information purposes.

Background & Discussion

Wellington Dufferin Guelph Health Unit

Representative(s): Councillor Guy Gardhouse and Ralph Manktelow

Meeting date: May 3, 2023

Highlights: The Board was presented with an information report "Health Protection 2023 First Quarter Performance Indicator Summary." The report talks about rebuilding inspection and community relationships in a post-COVID-19 environment as it continues to impact regulated businesses in Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (WDG) resulting in continued alterations in operating hours and operational practices.

Attached: [Board of Health Agenda for May 3, 2023](#)

Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC)

Representative(s): Councillor Janet Horner

Meeting date: April 27, 2023

Highlights: The Commission was presented a report on Development Permit Application P/A/2020-2021/69. The proposal is to recognize the establishment of three agricultural fields (fruit orchards and grape vineyards) including tree removal, grading, topsoil augmentation, the installation of three irrigation tanks, and the gravelling of existing agricultural accesses, on a 36.6 ha (90.5 ac) existing lot that supports a single dwelling with accessory facilities.

Attached: [Commission Meeting Agenda – April 2023](#)

Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority

Meeting date: April 27, 2023

Highlights: The Board received the 2022 audit results, noting a clean audit was presented. Ian Ockenden, NVCA's Acting Watershed Science Supervisor gave a presentation regarding NVCA's 2023 Watershed Health Checks, including forest conditions, wetland conditions, stream health and groundwater quality. The Board also endorsed staff's request to plant only native maple trees during any NVCA planting projects. Volunteer tree planting events will take place May 6-7, 2023 in Creemore, Loretto, and Hockley; and May 13, 2023 in Mansfield and Beeton.

Attached: NVCA April 2023 Board Meeting Highlights

Dufferin Board of Trade (DBOT)

Representative(s): Councillor James McLean

Highlights: As part of the Canada Digital Adoption Program, the Government of Canada has partnered with the Ontario Chamber of Commerce to deliver the Grow Your Business Online grant. Through this program, small business owners can receive a micro-grant worth up to \$2,400 to help get their business online, give their e-commerce presence a boost, or digitalize business operations. Grant recipients must commit to maintaining their digital adoption strategy for at least six months.

Attached: Dufferin Board of Trade Monthly Email – May 2023

Headwaters Communities in Action

Representative: Councillor Philip Rentsch

Highlights:

- Dufferin County Community Grants 2023 report presented;
- HFFA Winter Harvest Dinner Series concludes,
- F2S Community Connectors support more schools and projects;
- Volunteer Dufferin launches Boardward Bound program and increases community presence;
- DCEC, HFFA and VOICES of Lived Experience connect on food access.

Attached: Headwaters Communities in Action Meeting Report – April 2023

Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC)

Representative(s): Warden Wade Mills, Chief Administrative Officer Sonya Pritchard

Highlights: Members of the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC) met virtually with their regional Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) on Friday, April 14, 2023, to unveil the WOWC's priorities for 2023-24 as well as to present and discuss strategic approaches and mutual opportunities for collaboration and advocacy over the coming year.

The Caucus has identified the following key priorities for the coming year:

- Housing
- Workforce to Support Economic Growth
- Mental Health, Addictions and Homelessness

Multiple federal MPs and provincial MPPs were present on Friday to receive an exclusive presentation of the WOWC's 2023-2024 priorities, which were adopted unanimously by the Caucus last month following a strategic session to examine the most important advocacy issues and the path to achieving results. WOWC members stressed the importance of having the support of regional MPs and MPPs to further advocate on Parliament Hill and at Queen's Park for these priorities.

Attached: [WOWC April 2023 Newsletter](#)

Next Meeting date: WOWC CAOs currently meets every Monday via Zoom

SWIFT Board of Directors

Representative: Councillor Chris Gerrits

Highlights: At its 2023 Annual General Meeting, Gary McNamara Essex County Councillor and Mayor of Tecumseh has been reappointed as Chair of the Board of Directors for a third consecutive term, effective April 29, 2023.

Attached: [Media Release – May 2, 2023](#)

Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

There are no financial, staffing, legal or IT considerations.

In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

Good Governance – ensure transparency, clear communication, prudent financial management

Inclusive & Supportive Community – support efforts to address current & future needs for a livable community

Respectfully Submitted By:

Sonya Pritchard
Chief Administrative Officer



NVCA April 2023 Board Meeting Highlights

Next Meeting: May 26, 2023, held virtually

For the full meeting agenda including documents and reports, visit [NVCA's website](#).

2022 Financial Statement

NVCA receives clean audit for 2022.

Board members received the 2022 NVCA audited financial statements as presented by KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants. The financial statement is [available on NVCA's website](#).

Presentation on NVCA's 2023 Watershed Health Checks

Ian Ockenden, NVCA's Acting Watershed Science Supervisor gave a presentation regarding NVCA's 2023 Watershed Health Checks to the Board of Directors.

The health checks provide an overview of forests, wetlands, stream and groundwater health across for the Nottawasaga Watershed and all nine subwatersheds between 2017 - 2021. They also identify stewardship restoration priorities, future challenges and opportunities to improve environmental health.

NVCA's Watershed Science team uses standard collection and analysis methods to collect and analyze forest, wetland, stream and groundwater information to offer an unbiased, factual analysis of the state of the watershed.

Overall, there is a loss of natural spaces, mainly due to land use changes. Despite this downward trend, some parts of the watershed are seeing positive change thanks to watershed residents, farmers, municipalities, volunteers and other environmental champions who are committed to restoring our environment.

Forest Conditions

Aerial images were used to determine the amount of forest cover exists in each subwatershed. This information is used to determine the amount of habitat available to

support wildlife. Sensitive forest birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians require deep forest habitat for survival. Environment Canada suggests that 10% forest interior cover is the minimum needed to support a range of species.

Wetland Conditions

Staff analyzed aerial images to determine the amount of wetlands in each subwatershed. When possible, staff doublecheck these results with on-the-ground surveys.

This information is used to determine the amount of habitat available to support wildlife, and the capacity of wetlands to retain flood waters.

Stream Health

Stream health is determined by using total phosphorus information and evaluating the health of benthic macroinvertebrates (aquatic insects).

Healthy streams and rivers are important because they provide clean water for drinking, agricultural irrigation, industrial use, and recreational enjoyment. Municipal wastewater facilities also rely on clean rivers to dilute and carry away our waste.

Groundwater Quality

NVCA analyzes information from the Ontario government's Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network to determine the health of groundwater across the Nottawasaga Watershed.

It is important to keep contaminants out of groundwater because it supports a variety of uses including municipal and private water supplies, agricultural irrigation, and is a source for rivers and streams.

Stewardship priorities

Through information in the health checks, NVCA's Watershed Stewardship and Forestry teams have identified priority restoration areas in each subwatershed.

For information about your local subwatershed or which subwatershed covers your municipality, visit nvca.on.ca.

2023 First Quarter Budget Report

In the first three months of operations of NVCA, expenditures to date are tracking on schedule, with 31.65% of the budgeted expenses (25% of budget year completed). This is normal for the first quarter of the year.

Revenues are tracking well, with 21.97% of the budgeted revenues recognized. This includes the first 3 months of the general municipal levy of \$684,940.

Currently, NVCA is sitting in a deficit position as the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (in the amount of \$740,879) was returned to the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) due to a CRA audit determining ineligibility.

NVCA to plant only native maple trees

NVCA's Board of Directors supported staff to plant only native maple trees whenever a maple is called for in any NVCA planting projects.

The maple family is a large group of trees and shrubs with only 6 species native to Ontario. There are three non-native, invasive maples that are present in the NVCA watershed: Amur Maple, Manitoba Maple, and Norway Maple.

These maples have the potential to become serious invaders when they spread from planting sites into nearby natural habitats or urban areas.

Renaming of Meadow Mouse Trail

The Minesing Wetland's Meadow Mouse Trail will be renamed to Harold Parker Memorial Trail.

Harold Parker was a former Springwater Township Councillor, past-Chair of NVCA

(2000-2002), was involved with the Friends of Minesing Wetlands and was a lifelong resident of the community of Minesing.

Harold had worked closely with NVCA for decades in support of the Conservation Lands and Stewardship Programs. He has undertaken many restoration projects on his property adjacent to Minesing Wetlands and has been a strong advocate of NVCA's programs and purpose.

Update of Administrative Bylaws for the Board of Directors

NVCA's Board of Directors approved updates for the administrative bylaws.

These reflect the possibility of a Minister appointed agricultural sector member and the changes within the Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act.

Board of Directors Per Diem

NVCA's Board of Directors chose to maintain Per Diem rates at \$82.03.

Upcoming Events

Arbor Day Tree Sale

Are you looking to purchase native trees for your property this year? NVCA is hosting its annual Arbor Day Tree Sale.

Trees are bare root stock, and are sold in bundles of 10 for \$30 per bundle.

Date: Saturday, May 13, 2023 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Tiffin Conservation Area, 8195 8th Line, Utopia ON L0M 1T0

Volunteer tree planting events. Space limited. Register through links below:

[Creemore](#): Saturday, May 6, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Loretto](#): Saturday, May 6, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Hockley](#): Sunday, May 7, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Mansfield](#): Saturday, May 13, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Beeton](#): Saturday, May 13, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Tiffin Nature Program

Geared towards pre-K and children in kindergarten, the Tiffin nature program will help children gain knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural world and our amazing planet.

Date: 6-week sessions from September 20, 2022 to June 13, 2023.

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation
8195 8th Line, Utopia, ON L0M 1T0

PA/PD Day Camp

Offered on PA/PD Days only, kids will enjoy lots of physical activity, and be mentally stimulated as they explore ever changing scenery and landscapes. They will be able to move away from excess screen time, and learn how to integrate nature into their everyday lives.

Dates: June 2, 2023

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation
8195 8th Line, Utopia, ON L0M 1T0

Homeschool Programs

Tiffin's Homeschool Program is designed for homeschool families who want to spend structured time outside to develop a sense of wonder, appreciation and respect for the natural world.

Date: One Friday a month from October 15, 2022 to June 23, 2023

Location: Various locations throughout the Nottawasaga Watershed

Michelle Hargrave

From: Jaemilyn @ the Dufferin Board of Trade <jaemilyn@dufferinbot.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2023 11:45 AM
To: information
Subject: Laurel, here's the latest local business news you can use - May edition

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Spring has sprung, and hopefully some nicer weather isn't far behind. We had an overwhelming response to the call for nominations for the Business Excellence Awards. Outside Chambers and Boards of Trade are busy evaluating them as we get ready for the big event on **May 18th**. If you haven't done so already, please go to the DBOT website and get your ticket. It will be great to

celebrate in person all of the successes that businesses in Dufferin have achieved over the last little while.

The golf committee is busy getting things ready for another fun-filled event at Shelburne Golf Club on August 25th. More details on that event soon.

There is still no high-speed internet on the horizon for Main Street Mono as well as many other areas throughout the county. I'll keep beating the drum....

It was a privilege to represent you at the Ontario Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting in Niagara Falls last week. It was a good reminder of how connected we are to both our provincial and national organizations and all that they do on our behalf. The Ontario Chamber of Commerce is doing a lot of work right lobbying for government policy to further help alleviate the housing crisis and the skilled trade shortage. The housing crisis is already here and impacting our businesses. Even if we pay well above minimum wage, housing for many remains unaffordable, which makes it tough to find workers. Finding skilled trades is past the crisis point in the construction sector and has an impact on many more as well.

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce has developed a free tool on its website called the “Business Data Lab” and contained within that is the “Business Conditions Terminal.” This is a great tool to help small businesses plan as it gives us access to a huge amount of free data that we wouldn’t have access to otherwise. I spent a great deal of time playing around with it when I should have been writing this intro! Much of the information is customizable to suit your needs. It is a handy little tool if you get a chance to check it out.

Enjoy this spring weather, and see you all at the Business Excellence Awards in a couple of weeks!

Sincerely,

Doug Harkness
Chair, Dufferin Board of Trade
doug@dufferinbot.ca

CONNECT



TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The **2023 BEAs** recognize outstanding local businesses and nonprofits who work to benefit both our local economy and the well-being of our community. Winners are determined by judges from outside the area, based on how the nominee exemplifies the award criteria.

2023 BEAs – *Check out the Nominees!*

[View Nominees](#)



**May 18th, 2023 at
Monora Park Pavillion**

Tickets Available!

[Register](#)

DBOT CONNECTS

FREE NETWORKING EVENT

June 7th, 2023 | 5 to 7 PM
Hosted by **The Odd Fellows**

DBOT Connects – Free Event!

Join us on June 7th with The Odd Fellows located in Orangeville as we continue our FREE networking event series – DBOT Connects.

These free networking events will give you the opportunity to make valuable connections with other business leaders in our community in a casual and fun setting!

You won't want to miss this! *Register today*

Register



Dufferin Women in Business
Celebrating 20 Years

HOW TO NETWORK at a networking event

MAY 17, 2023
5-6:30PM

The Topsy Fox, 101 Main St W
Hosted in Shelburne

DWIB Presents: How to Network at a Networking Event

Join our speaker Dina Barazza as she shares tips and strategies for making the most of your networking opportunities. Attendees will gain practical skills and build their confidence in networking situations.

Whether you're a seasoned networker or just starting out, this event offers valuable insights and networking opportunities that can help you advance your career or business.

Save your spot – *Register today!*

[Register](#)

Connect: Resources



CANADA DIGITAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

Technology and the pace of change has accelerated rapidly in the last few years. If you are having difficulty keeping up, or want to optimize your business' digital capacity, consider applying for a Canada Digital Adoption Program (CDAP) Boost Your Business Technology.

Boost Your Business Technology can help get your business online, give your e-commerce presence a boost, or digitalize your business' operations. These grants are designed to help Canadian businesses become more competitive.

In addition to helping your business scale up its technology, and become more resilient and competitive, the program also offers wage

subsidies to hire youth to support the implementation of new technology and strategies.

Eligibility criteria:

- Be incorporated federally or provincially, or be a Canadian resident sole proprietor
- Be a for-profit, privately owned business
- Have between 1 - 499 full time equivalent employees
- Have at least \$500,000 of annual revenues in one of the previous three tax years

If you have any questions about the grant, please reach out to digitaladoption-adoptionnumerique@ised-isde.gc.ca

If you have any questions about the wage subsidy, please reach out to boostyourbusiness@magnet.today

[Learn More](#)

PROMOTE

Welcome New Member



[Miracles In Glass Inc](#)

ADVOCATE



ADVOCACY WIN

Energy



Ask: In our 2023 Provincial Budget Submission, we call on the government to support the adoption of electric and zero-emission vehicles by private and public sector entities.

Win: On April 11, the Government of Ontario launched a new Ultra-Low Overnight Price Plan. This is expected to bolster grid efficiency and support electric vehicle adoption in the province.

[Read the release...](#)

NEWS FROM COMMUNITY PARTNERS

**Hike for Bethell
Hospice 2023**

[Learn More](#)



Connectivity through humour



HOW TO ESTABLISH, CULTIVATE, AND KEEP CONNECTIONS THAT LEAD TO PRODUCTIVITY AND SUCCESS
PRESENTED BY KATE DAVIS
Tuesday, May 9, 2023 | 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Monora Park Pavilion

Connectivity through humour with Kate Davis

[Learn More](#)

2023 IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's



[Learn More](#)



Stir the Pot (The new and improved Soup Sisters event)

[View Upcoming Dates](#)

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Headwaters
Communities
in Action

Making Life Better Together



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Headwaters Communities in Action

Representative: Councillor Philip Rentsch
Meeting report of April 2023

Highlights: DC Community Grants 2023 report presented; HFFA Winter Harvest Dinner Series concludes, F2S Community Connectors support more schools and projects; Volunteer Dufferin launches Boardward Bound program and increases community presence; DCEC, HFFA and VOICES of Lived Experience connect on food access.

Primary Activities:

HCIA Partnership Agreement

HCIA Admin: Executive Director, Jennifer Payne

- HCIA Leadership Council continues to develop Theory of Change.
- Fundraising, administrative and communications support for projects.
- Participating on TorStar Media Advisory Committee for Peel-Dufferin-Caledon.
- headwaterscommunities.org

PROJECT NEWS:

- **Dufferin County Community Grants: Coordinator, Jennifer Payne**
 - 2023 Community Grants Report of Recommendations presented to and received by General Government Services Committee April 27, by ED Jennifer Payne and Neetu Dane, Assessment Team Chair.
 - headwaterscommunities.org/community-grants
- **Volunteer Dufferin: Coordinator, Sheralyn Roman**
 - Presented to HCIA Leadership Council as feature project at April 26 meeting.
 - Promoted National Volunteer Week campaign April 16-22 including social media, municipal proclamations, and media events.
 - Stats: 2,485 individuals; 162 organizations; 71 active opportunities
 - "Boardward Bound" program is kicking off with participant recruitment.
 - Assisting with volunteer recruitment for IPM 2023.

Our Vision: *Engaged citizens shaping a vibrant, sustainable, and resilient community together.*

- Assisting County in finding a volunteer opportunity for staff day in June.
- Coordinator Sheralyn Roman continues to make connections with organizations and volunteers out in the community through in-person events (e.g. employment fairs in Shelburne and Orangeville) and presentations as well as virtual meetings and webinars.
- volunteerdufferin.ca
- **HFFA + Farm to School: Co-Chairs Bob Megens, Marci Lipman, F2S Coordinator, Nicole Hambleton**
 - HFFA Winter Harvest Dinner Series 2023 closed out with 4th and final dinner at Adamo Estate Winery on April 21.
 - Fundraising and preparations in progress for publication of the 2023 Headwaters Farm Fresh Guide.
 - The Community Connector program continues to assist 15 local schools in facilitating Farm to School activities, including delivering You're the Chef programming, school and community garden support, salad bar advice and upcoming Farm to School Workshops. Learning Circle will have final formal meeting and interviews in May 9, discuss next steps.
 - HFFA - DCEC Health Equity Working Group, Food Subcommittee collaboration continues.
 - hffa.ca/farmtoschool
 - headwatersfarmfresh.ca
 - headwatersfoodandfarming.ca
- **DC MOVES (Partnership under Community Services) Coordinator, Elaine Capes**
 - DC MOVES Leadership Table met April 17.
 - DCEC Large group met April 13, presenting network map of human services and programs.
 - DC MOVES What's On The Moves e-newsletters and Did You Know bulletins continue to keep the network informed and connected. Website improvements are in progress.
 - DCEC 2022 Report and 2023 Roadmap in progress.
 - VOICES Of Lived Experience group continues to develop a framework and consult on community priorities, facilitated by Coordinator Siobhan Bonisteel.
 - Health Equity Work Group's Food Subcommittee and Period Products Subcommittee have both benefited from VOICES feedback.
 - Fostering and deepening collaboration across Dufferin County through partnership with OHT for March Forum, highlighting collaboration success stories from 3 agencies and building a collaboration success check list that will be accessible on the DC MOVES website
 - dcmoves.org
 - dcec.ca



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May 2, 2023

County of Dufferin
30 Centre Street
Orangeville, ON L9W 2X1

SENT BY EMAIL TO: County of Dufferin, Township of Melancton, Town of Grand Valley, Town of Shelburne, Town of Orangeville, Township of Mulmur, Township of Mono, Township of East Garafraxa

Re: Township shared and combined services

At its regular meeting of Council held on April 5, 2023, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following motion:

Resolution #: 4

Moved by: C. Gerrits

Seconded by: B. Metzger

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Whereas the Township of Amaranth values existing partnerships with our municipal partners that provide services to the residents of the Township and;

Whereas the Council of the Township of Amaranth has the responsibility to explore all options that may benefit the Township and the tax payers without prejudice therefore;

The Council of the Township of Amaranth commit to discuss all options for shared and combined services with other municipalities within Dufferin and the County of Dufferin during the current council term.

CARRIED

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information in this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Martin", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.
CAO/Clerk

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

BY-LAW NUMBER 2023-28

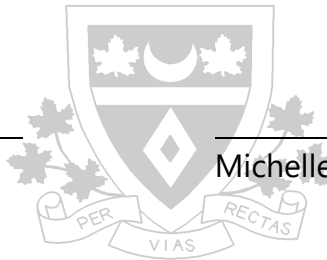
A BY-LAW TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE WARDEN AND CLERK FOR EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AND UPPER GRAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD. (Lease Agreement – Edelbrock Centre)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the agreement between the County of Dufferin and Upper Grand District School Board, in a form substantially the same as attached hereto as Schedule "A" be approved.
2. That the staff of the County of Dufferin is hereby authorized to take such actions as are appropriate, and the Warden and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute such documents as are appropriate to implement the agreement referred to herein.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 13th day of April, 2023.

Wade Mills, Warden



Michelle Dunne, Clerk

THIS LEASE made the 1st day of April, 2023.

BETWEEN:

**CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF
DUFFERIN**

(the
“Landlord”)

AND

UPPER GRAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

(the “Tenant”)

**ARTICLE 1 - BASIC TERMS AND
DEFINITIONS**

1.1 Basic Terms

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| (a) | Landlord: | Corporation of the County of Dufferin |
| | Address: | 55 Zina Street, Orangeville, ON |
| (b) | Tenant: | Upper Grand District School Board |
| | Address: | 500 Victoria Road North
Guelph, Ontario
N1E 6K2 |
| (c) | Indemnifier: | Not applicable |
| (d) | Building: | W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre
Street, Orangeville |

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

BY-LAW NUMBER 2023-xx

A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AT ITS MEETING HELD ON MAY 11, 2023.

WHEREAS Section 5 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. All actions of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meetings held on May 11, 2023 in respect to every report, motion, by-law, or other action passed and taken by the Council, including the exercise of natural person powers, are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if each report, motion, resolution or other action was adopted, ratified and confirmed by its separate by-law.
2. The Warden of the Council and the proper officers of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, to obtain approvals where required and except where otherwise provided, to execute all documents necessary in that behalf.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11th day of May, 2023.

Wade Mills, Warden



Michelle Dunne, Clerk