



**DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 7:00 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)(joined at 7:22 p.m.)  
Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth)  
Councillor James McLean (Melancthon)  
Councillor Fred Nix (Mono)  
Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley)  
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)  
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)  
Councillor Darren White (Melancthon)

**Council Members Absent:**

Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville)(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  
Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic

Warden Mills called the meeting to order at 7:02 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, June 22, 2023 at the following times:

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. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Warden Mills shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Soloman**

**THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the June 8, 2023 meeting of Council, be approved.**

**-Carried-**

4. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

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

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

**Moved by Councillor Creelman, seconded by Councillor Hall**

**THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of May 11, 2023, be adopted.**

**-Carried-**

## **PROCLAMATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **6. Presentation: Bill Hill Scholarship Recipients**

The Bill Hill Scholarships were presented to:

- Arts (Fine Arts & Liberal Arts): Brett Kuzyk
- Black or Racialized: Alexis Quilatan
- Business & Social Sciences: Madison Lacroix
- Indigenous – First Nations: Grace Rowley
- Science & Technology: Bethany Quinton
- Skilled Trades & Training Programs: Jacob Hilliard

Alma Hill and family members were in attendance to congratulate the recipients.

### **7. Proclamation: Seniors Month – June 2023**

Warden Mills proclaimed the month of June 2023 as “Seniors Month” in the County of Dufferin. Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks Long Term Care Home, accepted the proclamation.

### **8. Proclamation: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15, 2023**

Warden Mills proclaimed June 15, 2023 as “World Elder Abuse Awareness Day” in the County of Dufferin. Jennifer McCallum and Heidi Vanderhorst, TeleCheck, accepted the proclamation, they are working to spread awareness and prevent elder abuse.

### **9. Presentation: StrategyCorp**

Stacy Hushion and Nabiha Chowdhury, StrategyCorp, presented the draft Strategic Plan to Council.

Councillor Horner joined the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Councillor Rentsch left the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and returned at 7:38 p.m.

**Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Gerrits**

**THAT the Corporation of the County of Dufferin Corporate Strategic Plan for 2023-2026 be approved.**

**-Carried-**

10. **Presentation: BDO Canada LLP**

Angela Nichol and Traci Smith, BDO Canada LLP, presented the County of Dufferin 2022 Financial Statements.

**Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Nix**

**THAT the 2022 Financial Statements as presented by BDO Canada LLP, be approved.**

**-Carried-**

11. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

**PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS**

12. **Infrastructure & Environmental Services Minutes – May 25, 2023**

**Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Soloman**

**THAT the minutes of the Infrastructure and Environmental Services meeting held on May 25, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.**

**-Carried-**

13. **INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #1**  
**Financial Report – January 1 – April 30, 2023**

THAT the report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated May 25, 2023, regarding a financial report up to April 30, 2023, be received.

14. **INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #2**  
**County Forest By-Law Enforcement**

THAT the Report, County Forest By-Law Enforcement, dated May 25, 2023, from

the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received.

15. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #3  
Household Hazardous Waste Service Review & Future Options

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated May 25, 2023, Household Hazardous Waste Service Review and Future Options, be received;

AND THAT staff investigate the development of a Dufferin County Mobile Depot from the perspective of logistics, costs, funding, approvals, etc. and report back.

16. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #4  
Nuisance Beaver Program Rates

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated May 25, 2023, Nuisance Beaver Program Rates, be received;

AND THAT Nuisance Beaver rates be adjusted to \$100 per setup, \$100 per beaver removed, plus the County's mileage allowance.

17. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #5  
Intersection Review – Dufferin Road 10 & Mono/Amaranth Townline

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated May 25, 2023, Intersection Review – Dufferin Road 10 & Mono/Amaranth Townline, be received.

18. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #6  
Intersection Review – Dufferin Road 12 & 20 Sideroad Amaranth

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated May 25, 2023, Intersection Review – Dufferin Road 12 & 20 Sideroad Amaranth, be received;

AND THAT staff proceed with installing a temporary four-way stop control system for the intersection of Dufferin Road 12 and 20 Sideroad Amaranth;

AND THAT staff follow the guidance of the Ontario Traffic Manual to transition the intersection to a two-way stop control for 20 Sideroad with Dufferin Road 12 becoming the through road.

19. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #7  
Wightman Telecom Fibre Installation within County Lands

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated May 25, 2023, Wightman Telecom Fibre Installation within County Lands, be received;  
AND THAT staff be directed to further negotiate mutually beneficial terms between the County of Dufferin and Wightman Telecom to support their use of the County owned Rail Trail lands for installation of fibre infrastructure;

AND THAT staff be directed to develop the necessary agreements and/or easements to permit installation of Wightman infrastructure within the County owned former rail corridor lands;

AND THAT staff be directed to negotiate, develop, and enter the necessary service level and maintenance agreements between the County of Dufferin and Wightman Telecom to facilitate a long-term service structure for the County.

20. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #8  
Town of Orangeville Transit Terminal Agreement

THAT the report of the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated May 25, 2023, Town of Orangeville Transit Terminal Agreement, be received;

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the Town of Orangeville Transit Terminal Memorandum of Understanding in substantially the same form as presented.

21. **General Government Services Minutes – May 25, 2023**

**Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Hall**

**THAT the minutes of the General Government Services meeting held on May 25, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.**

**-Carried-**

22. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #1  
Financial Report – January 1 – April 30, 2023

THAT the report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated May 25, 2023, regarding a financial report up to April 30, 2023, be received.

23. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #2  
Facilities Requirements and Options Review – Update

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated May 25, 2023, regarding Facilities Requirements and Options Review – Update, be received; AND THAT a council workshop be scheduled to review County facilities and property inventory and assess options for current and future use of spaces.

24. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #3  
Township of Amaranth

THAT the resolution from the Township of Amaranth, dated May 15, 2023, regarding school bus stop arm cameras, be supported.

25. **Health and Human Services Minutes – May 25, 2023**

**Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Little**

**THAT the minutes of the Health and Human Services meeting held on May 25, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.**

**-Carried-**

26. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #1  
Financial Report – January 1 – April 30, 2023

THAT the report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated May 25, 2023, regarding a financial report up to April 30, 2023, be received.

27. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #2  
Dufferin County Paramedic Service Annual Report

THAT the report of the Chief, dated May 25, 2023, with regards to the Dufferin County Paramedic Services, be received.

28. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #3  
Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – First Quarter 2023

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – First Quarter, 2023, dated May 25, 2023, be received.

29. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #4  
Dufferin County Equity Collaborative 2022 Report to the Community

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Dufferin County Equity Collaborative 2022 Report to the Community, dated May 25, 2023, be received.

30. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #5  
Dufferin County Community Support Services Declaration of Compliance

THAT the report of the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated May 25, 2023, regarding the Declaration of Compliance be received;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Warden to sign the Declaration on behalf of Council for submission to Ontario Health Central Region.

31. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #6  
Long Term Care (LTC) Funding Update

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated May 25, 2023, regarding 2023 Funding Update, be received.

32. **Community Development & Tourism Minutes – May 25, 2023**

**Moved by Councillor Creelman, seconded by Councillor Little**

**THAT the minutes of the Community Development and Tourism meeting held on May 25, 2023, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.**

**-Carried-**

33. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #1  
Financial Report – January 1 – April 30, 2023

THAT the report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated May 25, 2023, regarding a financial report up to April 30, 2023, be received.

34. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #2  
Building Code Enforcement Manual

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Building Code Enforcement Manual", dated May 25, 2023, be received.



35. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #3  
Museum Visitor and Outreach Statistics Report

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Museum Visitor and Outreach Statistics Report", dated May 25, 2023, be received.

36. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – May 25, 2023 – ITEM #4  
OPA Phase III – Policy Framework, Engagement Plan

THAT the report of the Director of Development and Tourism, "Phase III OPA – Policy Framework, Engagement Plan", dated May 25, 2023, be received.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

37. **Township of Melancthon**

A resolution from the Township of Melancthon, dated May 23, 2023, regarding County fire prevention and protection services.

**Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Nix**

**THAT the County engage subject matter experts to support a study on fire protection and prevention services in Dufferin County, and supply a report that details options and recommendations for the appropriate provision of fire prevention and protection services across Dufferin County;**

**AND THAT the funds for the student be taken from the County of Dufferin Emergency Management Preparedness Reserve Fund.**

**-DEFERRED-**

38. **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

39. **MOTIONS**

**Moved by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Creelman**

**THAT Sean Johnson be appointed to be a member of the Access Dufferin Accessibility Advisory Committee.**

**-Carried-**

40. **CLOSED SESSION**

41. **BY-LAWS**

- 2023-30 A by-law to amend By-Law 2015-41, Fees and Charges for Services and Activities provided by the County of Dufferin. (Schedule "C" – Public Works)  
Authorization: Infrastructure and Environmental Services – April 27, 2023
- 2023-31 A by-law to amend By-Law 2017-39, being a by-law to govern the lands known as the Dufferin County Forest and Rail Trail. (Amend Sections 3, 14, 20, 21, 25, & 27, Amend Schedule A, Remove Schedule B)  
Authorization: Infrastructure and Environmental Services – April 27, 2023
- 2023-32 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. (Multi-Service Sector Accountability Agreement)  
Authorization: Council – June 8, 2023
- 2023-33 A by-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Georgian College of Applied Arts & Technology. (Lease Agreement – Edelbrock Centre)  
Authorization: Council – June 8, 2023
- 2023-34 A by-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Georgian College of Applied Arts & Technology. (Lease Agreement – Mel Lloyd Centre)  
Authorization: Council – June 8, 2023
- 2023-35 A by-law amend By-Law 2005-32, Schedule "D", to regulate traffic on roads under the jurisdiction of the County of Dufferin. (Amend Schedule D – Stop Streets)  
Authorization: Infrastructure and Environmental Services – May 25, 2023

**Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse**

**THAT By-Law 2023-30 through to 2023-35, inclusive, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.**

**-Carried-**

42. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Warden Mills invited everyone to attend the Multicultural Flag Raising on Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 55 Zina St, Orangeville. The Dufferin County Multicultural Foundation will be hosting a two-day event at the Museum of Dufferin to celebrate Multicultural Day. On Friday, June 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm, the Unity in Diversity Exhibit Opening will take place followed by a full day of arts, crafts, performances and food on June 24th from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Rohan Thompson, Director of People and Equity, advised on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 Dufferin County will be hosting an event to commemorate National Indigenous History Month, "A Silenced History – What We Weren't Taught in School" with Dr. Pamela Palmater. The event will take place at 6:30 pm at the Monora Park Pavilion, and will focus on learning, inspiration and change through a meaningful and thought-provoking conversation.

Warden Mills noted the Dufferin County Cultural Resource Circle will be hosting an Indigenous Day event on June 21, 2023. There will be an Art Exhibit at the Orangeville Town Hall Gallery and performances at Alexandra Park.

Councillor White invited everyone to celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Melancthon Township at the Hornings Mills Hall and Park on June 25, 2023. The event will feature a vendor market, a First Responder Challenge, games and a barbeque.

43. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

2023-36      A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on June 8, 2023.

**Moved by Councillor Creelman, seconded by Councillor Hall**

**THAT By-Law 2023-36, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.**

**-Carried-**

44. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor McLean**

**THAT the meeting adjourn.**

**-Carried-**

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, July 13, 2023  
Museum of Dufferin, 936029 Airport Road, Mulmur

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Wade Mills, Warden

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Michelle Dunne, Clerk