



DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 5:30 pm

W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON

Council Members Present:

Warden Darren White (Melancthon)
Councillor John Creelman (Mono)
Councillor Guy Gardhouse (East Garafraxa)
Councillor Earl Hawkins (Mulmur)
Councillor Janet Horner (Mulmur)
Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth)
Councillor James McLean (Melancthon)
Councillor Wade Mills (Shelburne)(joined at 5:37 pm)
Councillor Fred Nix (Mono)
Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville)
Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley)(joined at 5:34 pm)
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)(joined at 5:34 pm)
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Chris Gerrits (Amaranth)(prior notice)
Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne)

Alternate Council Members Present:

Councillor Andrew Stirk (Amaranth)

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
Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity
Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks
Tom Reid, Chief. Paramedic Service

Warden White called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Warden White 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 White 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 Stirk, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the January 25, 2024 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.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

5. **Discussion: Service Delivery**

Councillor Rentsch and Councillor Soloman joined the meeting at 5:34 pm.

Councillor Mills joined the meeting at 5:37 pm.

Warden White noted the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the following motion that was adopted at the November 9, 2023 regular meeting of Council:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hold a special meeting in January 2024 to discuss the roles and responsibilities of local and upper tier levels of government, identify areas of duplication, and propose ideas to streamline and simplify service delivery.

Each Council member had the opportunity to speak to the motion on the table. Council discussed conducting a governance review and further expanding on the previous service delivery review conducted in 2020.

Moved by Warden White, seconded by Councillor Post

THAT the Warden and senior staff develop a framework for discussions of governance models and service delivery models to be presented at the February 8, 2024 Council meeting.

A recorded vote was requested and taken as follows:

	Yay	Nay
Councillor Creelman (3)	x	
Councillor Gardhouse (2)	x	
Councillor Stirk (1)	x	
Councillor Hall (2)	ABSENT	
Councillor Hawkins (1)	x	
Councillor Horner (1)		x
Councillor Little (1)		x
Councillor McLean (1)	x	
Councillor Mills (2)	x	
Councillor Nix (2)	x	
Councillor Post (8)	x	
Councillor Rentsch (1)	x	
Councillor Soloman (1)	x	
Councillor Taylor (7)	x	
Warden White (1)	x	
Total (32)	30	2
	-CARRIED-	

6. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

2024-06 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on January 25, 2024.

Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT By-Law 2024-06 be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 8, 2024
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Darren White, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk