



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 18th, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Tay Valley Municipal Office – 217 Harper Road, Perth, Ontario
Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Chair, Reeve Rob Rainer
Deputy Reeve Fred Dobbie
Councillor Wayne Baker
Councillor Greg Hallam
Councillor Korrine Jordan
Councillor Andrew Kendrick
Councillor Angela Pierman
Councillor Marilyn Thomas

Staff Present: Amanda Mabo, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk
Noelle Reeve, Planner (left at 7:19 p.m.)

Regrets: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
A quorum was present.

2. AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND/OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None at this time.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- i) **Committee of the Whole Meeting – May 7th, 2024.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-01

MOVED BY: Andrew Kendrick

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on May 7th, 2024, be approved as circulated.”

ADOPTED

- ii) **Council Meeting – May 21st, 2024.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-02

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam

SECONDED BY: Andrew Kendrick

“**THAT**, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 21st, 2024, be approved as circulated.”

ADOPTED

- iii) **Committee of the Whole Meeting – June 4th, 2024.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-03

MOVED BY: Korrine Jordan

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on June 4th, 2024, be approved as circulated.”

ADOPTED

- iv) **Committee of the Whole Meeting (Closed Session – Litigation – 485 Keays Road) – June 4th, 2024.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-04

MOVED BY: Fred Dobbie

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting (Closed Session – Litigation – 485 Keays Road) held on June 4th, 2024, be approved as circulated.”

ADOPTED

- v) **Committee of the Whole Meeting (Closed Session – Security of Property – Information Technology Update) – June 4th, 2024.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-05

MOVED BY: Marilyn Thomas

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting (Closed Session – Security of Property – Information Technology Update) held on June 4th, 2024, be approved as circulated.”

ADOPTED

5. DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- i) **Presentation: Recognizing David Taylor – 6+ Years of Service on the Tay Valley Township Heritage Properties Selection Committee.**

The Reeve presented David Taylor with a thank you gift in gratitude for leadership and service on the Tay Valley Township Heritage Properties Selection Committee.

- ii) **Presentation: Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority - Land Conservation Strategy.**

S. McIntyre gave the PowerPoint presentation that was attached to the agenda.

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-06

MOVED BY: Angela Pierman

SECONDED BY: Wayne Baker

“**THAT**, the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority Land Conservation Strategy presentation dated June 18th, 2024, be received for information.”

ADOPTED

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

7. MOTIONS

- i) **Presentation: Heritage Property Recognition – McLaren’s Powder Shed.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-07

MOVED BY: Wayne Baker
SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, the Heritage Property Recognition – McLaren’s Powder Shed presentation be received for information.”

ADOPTED

- ii) **Report #PD-2024-08 – Response to the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks Re: ERO 019-8700 Perth and District Septic Service Limited Environmental Compliance Approval Request.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-08

MOVED BY: Andrew Kendrick
SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, staff be directed to make comments to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding the Environmental Compliance Approval request by Perth and District Septic Service Limited as outlined in Report #PD-2024-08, and with the following additions:

6. What measures are being taken to monitor per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS’s) and their uses?
7. Is the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks looking at alternatives to spreading? Could septage be shipped away or added to a communal services system?
8. The portion of the property where the lagoon and spreading occurs should be rezoned from Agriculture to Industrial.”

ADOPTED

iii) **Report #PW-2024-14 – Blue Box Transition Update.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-09

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam

SECONDED BY: Andrew Kendrick

“**THAT**, Tay Valley Township Opt-In for Depot collection at the landfills for the transition period of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025;

THAT, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk and Public Works Manager be delegated the authority to make decisions for a Depot Operations Agreement with Circular Materials for Tay Valley Township to provide blue box services at the Township’s depots, including promotion and educations and service to non-eligible sources, for the period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025;

AND THAT, the Reeve and CAO/Clerk be authorized to enter into the necessary agreement.”

ADOPTED

iv) **Report #CAO-2024-13 – 2023 Municipal Report Card.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-10

MOVED BY: Korrine Jordan

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, Report #CAO-2024-13 – 2023 Municipal Report Card, be received for information.”

ADOPTED

v) **Report #CAO-2024-10 – Proposed New Road Name – Davern Lane 11D.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-11

MOVED BY: Fred Dobbie

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, the necessary by-law to name an existing Private Road to Davern Lane 11D as outlined in Report #CAO-2024-10 – Proposed New Road Name – Davern Lane 11D, be brought forward for approval.”

ADOPTED

- vi) **Report #CAO-2024-12 – Request to Close a Portion of an Unopened Road Allowance – Horricks.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-12

MOVED BY: Marilyn Thomas
SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, Council agrees to proceed with the application to stop up, close and sell the said portion of the unopened road allowance as outlined in Report #CAO-2024-12 – Request to Close a Portion of an Unopened Road Allowance – Horricks, as per the Road Closing and Sale Policy and call a Public Meeting.”

ADOPTED

- vii) **Report #CAO-2024-11 – Planning Administrative Assistant Position.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-13

MOVED BY: Angela Pierman
SECONDED BY: Wayne Baker

“**THAT**, the Planning Administrative Assistant Position move from part-time to full-time when the current incumbent retires near the end of 2024.”

ADOPTED

- viii) **Appointment of ReUse Centre Volunteers.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-14

MOVED BY: Wayne Baker
SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township appoint the following volunteers for the Tay Valley ReUse Centre, subject to the Criminal Records Check Policy:

- Andrew Hickey
- Donna Walsh.”

ADOPTED

ix) **Appointment of Soccer Volunteers.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-15

MOVED BY: Andrew Kendrick

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township appoint the following volunteers for the Tay Valley Soccer Program, subject to the Criminal Records Check Policy:

- Katie Boldt
- Paul Ratcliffe
- Emily Verhoek.”

ADOPTED

x) **Heritage Property Recognition Committee – Resignation.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-16

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam

SECONDED BY: Andrew Kendrick

“**THAT**, David Taylor be removed from the Heritage Property Recognition Committee.”

ADOPTED

xi) **10-Year Capital Plan Updated for Development Charge (DC) Purposes.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-17

MOVED BY: Korrine Jordan

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, the 10-Year Capital Plan Updated for Development Charge (DC) Purposes be received for information.”

ADOPTED

Reeve Rainer stepped down as Chair in order to discuss the next item on the Agenda. Deputy Reeve Dobbie assumed the Chair.

xii) **The Corporation of the Town of Smiths Falls Resolution Regarding Basic Income Guarantee.**

Reeve Rainer provided supplementary comments that

- Smiths Falls was the first municipality in the county to pass this resolution
- the basic purposes of the resolution are meant to focus on the concept of a basic guaranteed income and begin government conversations about this topic
- this concept is not meant to focus on specific categories of individuals, but to make accessible a guaranteed income for all who need it

- guaranteed income programs already exist in Canada, such as the Canada Child Benefit and the Old Age Security pension
- this program would benefit those who are ineligible for other support programs, such as individuals between the ages of 17-65
- research shows a straight-line correlation between income and good health

Concerns were raised that the resolution

- oversimplifies the issue of poverty, does not recognize the difference in circumstances between temporary poverty and chronic poverty
- does not address root causes of poverty such as addiction, mental health issues, and disability(ies)
- does not address where the funding money will come from, that citizens are taxed enough
- is beyond the scope of the Council of Tay Valley Township to address
- is not supported by enough factual information
- could be seen as supporting dependency
- could be seen as a disincentive to find and maintain employment

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-18

MOVED BY: Rob Rainer

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township supports The Corporation of the Town of Smiths Falls’ Resolution #2024-04-074 regarding Basic Income Guarantee;

WHEREAS, per the 2021 Census of Canada 515 out of 5925 residents of Tay Valley Township (9.1% of the total) lived in low income, based on the Low Income After Tax (LIM-AT) measure;

WHEREAS, of the 515 Tay Valley Township citizens living in low income in 2021, 20 of them were children five years old or younger, 50 of them were children between the ages of 6 and 17, and 150 of them were seniors aged 65 or over;

WHEREAS, the province of Ontario recognizes that the LIM-AT does not include the cost of housing, food, transportation, etc. and therefore set its low income workers tax credit for 2021 at \$30,000 (up to \$38,000) for an individual and \$60,000 (up to \$68,500) for a household, resulting in a total of 790 – 985 residents of Tay Valley Township or 13% -17% identified as being unable to meet their basic living requirements without some government assistance;

WHEREAS, the province of Ontario has recognized the impacts of the costs of inflation (following Covid-19, continued supply chain disruptions due to wars and climate change, and record high profits by companies providing necessities such as food, fuel, and housing) and has increased the low income tax credit eligibility to \$32,500 (up to \$50,000) for an individual and \$65,000 (up to \$82,500) for a household, indicating the economic pressures an increasing number of Tay Valley residents experience;

WHEREAS, the level of income is one of the most important social determinants of health, and relates to many other determinants including education and literacy, healthy behaviours, one's social environment, and employment and work conditions;

WHEREAS, low income is strongly correlated with a wide range of negative health outcomes, including heart disease, cancer, diabetes, and poor mental health, and with shorter life expectancies compared to higher income persons;

WHEREAS, the minimum wage in Ontario and the maximum amounts of financial support available through Ontario Works (OW) and the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) are deeply insufficient to meet the basic *needs of full-time minimum wage workers, or of individuals or families drawing OW or ODSP support;*

WHEREAS, ongoing, widespread, and rapid changes in labour markets, including due to outsourcing, artificial intelligence, automation, and advance of the "gig" economy, are causing more and more people to be exposed to labour changes beyond their control, adding to their vulnerability to low income;

WHEREAS, basic income is a means by which individuals, families, and whole communities can be less vulnerable to negative changes in health, relationship or family status, and labour markets, and better able to navigate transitions and challenging circumstances;

WHEREAS, basic Income is money distributed to eligible people, regularly, reliably, and without work requirement, and which, absent other income, should meet basic human needs;

WHEREAS, basic income exists in Canada in the form of longstanding programs like the Canada Child Benefit and the Guaranteed Income Supplement for seniors, programs with demonstrated positive impacts on basic income recipients, economies, and our greater society;

WHEREAS, there is need to establish basic income security for working-age adults in Canada who, at present and in general, lack sufficient social protection against low income;

WHEREAS, there is a growing body of evidence that basic income is not a disincentive on the pursuit or retention of employment and that, further, basic income is more likely to support such pursuit or retention given its stabilizing effect in the lives of people;

WHEREAS, the gross cost of a basic income program is reduced to a net cost once various funding options are exercised and the fiscal benefits of basic income are realized (e.g., basic income as a local economic stimulus);

WHEREAS, Canada, one of the wealthiest nations in the world, has the fiscal capacity to support a basic income guarantee for working-age adults;

WHEREAS, the call for basic income in Canada has been and is being made by public health authorities, including the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit per its November 2023 report on food insecurity within the health region;

WHEREAS, the call for basic income in Canada has been and is being made by many other interests, including a growing number of municipalities in Ontario and beyond, and by a range of provincial and federal parliamentarians;

WHEREAS, a 2022 national public opinion poll suggests that six in 10 adults in Canada support the concept of basic income;

AND WHEREAS, Tay Valley Township wishes to add its municipal voice to the call for a basic income guarantee for working-age adults in Canada.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) Tay Valley Township supports the concept of a basic income guarantee for working-age adults to help combat low income and economic vulnerability within our community;
- 2) Tay Valley Township calls upon the federal and the provincial and territorial governments to collaborate on the design, introduction, implementation, and ongoing evaluation of a national basic income guarantee program for working-age adults;
- 3) The Council of Tay Valley Township directs the Reeve write (a) a letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, copy to relevant federal ministers and to Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston MP Scott Reid; and (b) a letter to Ontario Premier Doug Ford; copy to relevant provincial ministers and to Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston MPP John Jordan, calling on these orders of government to collaborate on the design, introduction, implementation, and ongoing evaluation of a national basic income guarantee program for working-age adults;
- 4) The Council of Tay Valley Township directs the Reeve to write a letter to each of the Reeve's counterparts in the lower-tier municipalities in Lanark County, encouraging each municipality to also pass a resolution similar to that adopted by Tay Valley Township;

- 5) A copy of this resolution be shared with all other municipalities in Ontario, and with the presidents of the Eastern Ontario Mayors Caucus, the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

ADOPTED

Deputy Reeve Dobbie stepped down as Chair.
Reeve Rainer resumed the Chair.

- xiii) **24-05-29 – Council Communication Package.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-19

MOVED BY: Marilyn Thomas

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, the 24-05-29 Council Communication Package be received for information.”

ADOPTED

- xiv) **Inclusion Diversity Equity and Access (IDEA) Working Group Terms of Reference and Letter to Municipalities.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-20

MOVED BY: Angela Pierman

SECONDED BY: Wayne Baker

“**THAT**, due to the timeline, the Council of Tay Valley Township requests the County of Lanark to advertise for a member of the public from Tay Valley Township to participate as a Township representative on the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access (IDEA) Working Group.”

ADOPTED

8. BY-LAWS

- i) **By-Law No. 2024-023 – Zoning By-Law Amendment – Avery.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-21

MOVED BY: Wayne Baker

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

“**THAT**, By-Law No. 2024-023, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-Law No. 2002-121 (Part Lot 5, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Bathurst, now in Tay Valley Township, County of Lanark), be read a first, second and third time short and passed and signed by the Reeve and Clerk.”

ADOPTED

- ii) **By-Law No. 2024-024 – Zoning By-Law Amendment – Oddy and Shenkman.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-22

MOVED BY: Andrew Kendrick

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, By-Law No. 2024-024, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-Law No. 2002-121 (1140 Elm Grove Road, Part Lot 3, Concession 7, Geographic Township of North Burgess, now in Tay Valley Township, County of Lanark), be read a first, second and third time short and passed and signed by the Reeve and Clerk.”

ADOPTED

- iii) **By-Law No. 2024-025 – Road Naming – Davern Lane 11D.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-23

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam

SECONDED BY: Andrew Kendrick

“**THAT**, By-Law No. 2024-025, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 98-89 being a Road Naming By-Law (Davern Lane 11D), be read a first, second and third time short and passed and signed by the Reeve and Clerk.”

ADOPTED

- iv) **By-Law No. 2024-026 – Road Naming – Buoy View Lane.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-24

MOVED BY: Korrine Jordan

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“**THAT**, By-Law No. 2024-026, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 98-89 being a Road Naming By-Law (Buoy View Lane), be read a first, second and third time short and passed and signed by the Reeve and Clerk.”

ADOPTED

9. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

None.

The Planner left at 7:19 p.m.

10. CALENDARING

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
RVCA Watershed Tour	June 21 st	9:30 a.m.	Baxter Conservation Area
“Special Council Meeting	June 25 th	5:30 p.m.	Municipal Office
Bolingbroke Cemetery – Memorial Service	July 14 th	10:30 a.m.	Bolingbroke Cemetery
RVCA Board of Directors Meeting	July 25 th	6:30 p.m.	Municipal Office
Committee of the Whole Meeting	August 13 th	6:00 p.m.	Municipal Office
Pinehurst Cemetery Board Meeting	August 15 th	2:00 p.m.	Municipal Office
Committee of Adjustment Hearing	August 19 th	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Office
Council Meeting	August 27 th	6:00 p.m.	Municipal Office

11. CLOSED SESSIONS

None.

12. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

i) **By-Law No. 2024-027 - Confirmation By-Law – June 18th, 2024.**

RESOLUTION #C-2024-06-25

MOVED BY: Fred Dobbie

SECONDED BY: Angela Pierman

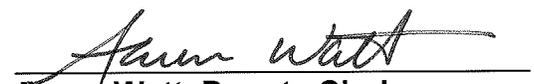
“**THAT**, By-Law No. 2024-027 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on June 18th, 2024, be read a first, second and third time short and passed and signed by the Reeve and Clerk.”

ADOPTED

13. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned at 7:27 p.m.


Rob Rainer, Reeve


Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk