

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ENNISKILLEN

TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

MINUTES

DECEMBER 16 2024

A meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen was held on Monday December 16 2024 at 4:30 pm at the Enniskillen Council Chambers

Present: Kevin Marriott, Mary Lynne McCallum, Wally Van Dun, Judy Krall and Chad Burke

Mayor Marriott chaired the meeting.

Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Marriott requested that each member of Council declare an interest at the appropriate time within the agenda where an interest may exist.

A. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That the minutes of the meeting of December 2 2024 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

B. Interviews

Drains- Tenders:

6th Con Drain

JLH Excavating \$48,780.63

McNally Excavating \$70,964.00

GM Construction \$73,939.06

Van Bree Drainage \$77,416.64

Bruce Poland and Sons \$79,714.55

Herrington Excavating \$92,251.23

Radford Piggott Drain

JLH Excavating \$18,670.20

Bruce Poland and Sons \$21,233.38

HE Construction \$24,068.55

BF Environmental \$26,026.91

Van Bree Drainage \$26,702.13

McNally Excavating \$28,589.00

GM Construction \$29,962.63

Herrington Excavating \$36,887.11

Burnison Drain

JLH Excavating \$14,085.45

Bruce Poland and Sons \$14,492.02

GM Construction	\$15,820.00
BF Environmental	\$17,326.78
McNally Excavating	\$19,662.00
Van Bree Drainage	\$23,637.91
Herrington Excavating	\$33,314.66

Move by Councillor McCallum

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That the low tenders from JLH Excavating be accepted for the 6th Con Drain, Burnison Drain and Radford Piggott Drain.
Carried.

2025 Budget Discussion

Darcy Mitchell requested that Council consider the purchase of a lighter car hauling trailer for public works. He noted that the trailer would be more functional for the movement of materials and equipment. He noted that the current trailer required that public works staff have a brake endorsement. The lighter trailer would not require staff to have an air brake endorsement.

Mr. Mitchell discussed the use of a road side gravel reclaimer. The unit would be used to do shouldering of asphalted roads and permit the removal of shoulder berms on gravel roads.

Mr. Mitchell reported on discussions regarding the trade in of the JD tractor and the back hoe. He noted that he was awaiting comments from the back hoe dealer regarding the continuation of the trade in program.

Mr. Mitchell reported that brine pricing would remain the same unit price in 2025.

Mr. Mitchell reported that he was in discussions with Huron Construction to obtain pricing for the placement of asphalt on Rokeby Line from Fairweather Road to Mandaumin as well as Oil Springs Line from the Village to Tile Yard Road.

Mr. Mitchell noted that Huron Construction had advised not to place fiber in asphalt. The Ministry of Transportation was reporting that the use of fiber was not effective. Mr. Mitchell noted that he would find additional information on this position.

Mr. Mitchell noted that repairs to two bridges did not take place in 2024. He was in discussions with a contractor to obtain pricing on repairs to the bridges. Discussion had taken place with an engineering firm to determine the process to replacement the Black Creek Bridge on Marthaville Road.

Mr. Mitchell noted that the contractor was to review the Durham Creek Bridge on Black Ash Road to estimate replacement of the guiderails.

Mr. Mitchell discussed the mail box replacement policy. The Township would continue to replace a mail box when physically hit by a snow plow up to a value of \$100. The damage to mail boxes caused by snow plows casting snow and ice would not be compensated.

Moved by Councillor Van Dun

Seconded by Councillor McCallum

That the mail box replacement policy be confirmed by Council.

Carried.

Report on the sale of surplus materials

The Road Superintendent provided an update on the sale of surplus equipment. He noted that the GovDeal website sale process had been effective.

A review was made of the grants for 2025.

The Clerk noted that no exact numbers had been received for policing costs for the 2025 year.

C. Correspondence for information

1. Ministry of Solicitor General Offsetting OPP Cost 2025
2. County of Lambton meeting highlights November 28 2024
3. County of Lambton 161st Warden
4. AMO prebudget Submission 2025
5. Lambton Public Health public health input on planning proposals
6. Minister of Municipal Affairs additional residential units
7. Infrastructure Ontario loans for infrastructure
8. Emergency Measures Ontario amendments to Emergency Management and Civil protection
9. Lambton Seniors' Advisory Committee minutes Sept 17 2024
10. Ministry of Finance Aggregate Property Tax Class
11. Ministry of Energy Increase in Energy Procurement to 7,500 MW

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That correspondence items 1-11 be received and filed.

Carried.

D. Correspondence requiring motions

1. Resolution Guelph permission to charge fees for use of municipal property

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That the resolution from Guelph regarding charging fees for use of municipal property be received and filed.

Carried.

2. Lambton Plowmens Association grant request

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor McCallum

That the resolution from the Lambton Plowmens Association be referred to budget.

Carried.

E. Accounts

Moved by Councillor Van Dun

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That the accounts be paid as circulated:

Cheque: 19018-19047 \$ 167,212.93

US Bank Visa \$45.19

CIBC Visa \$4,798.72

CIBC Visa \$2,052.93

Carried.

F. Other Business

1. Memo Pending Council Vacancy

The Clerk reported that a letter of resignation was received from Councillor McCallum effective December 31 2024. The Clerk noted that the resignation would be circulated during the first meeting in January of 2025.

2. Resolution Petrolia -Fire Services

The Clerk reported that the Petrolia North Enniskillen Fire committee would meet on January 30 2025 to discuss the request of the Town of Petrolia to make additional alterations to the fire hall.

3. Memo Petrolia Request to Support Water Capital Project

Moved by Councillor McCallum

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That a letter of support for a federal infrastructure grant to construct a water line on Petrolia Line be provided to the Town of Petrolia.

Carried.

4. Memo Waste and Recycling Depot
5. Budget to Actual November 30 2024

G. Bylaws

1. Bylaw 64 of 2024- Employee Manual
2. Bylaw 65 of 2024- Perry Drain Rating Bylaw
3. Bylaw 66 of 2024- Perkins Drain Rating Bylaw
4. Bylaw 67 of 2024- 4th Con Johnson Creek Amending Bylaw
5. Bylaw 68 of 2024- Confirmation Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That first and second reading be given to Bylaws 64, 65, 66, 67 and 68 of 2024.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Burke

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That third and final reading be given to Bylaws 64, 65, 66, 67 and 68 of 2024.

Carried.

H. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Van Dun

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk