

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHWOLD

MINUTES



Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday October 12, 2021
7:00 p.m. Council Chambers Fingal/Via Video Link

PRESENT: Mayor: G. Jones
Deputy Mayor: R. Monteith
Councillors: P. North
J. Pennings

ALSO PRESENT: Lisa Higgs, CAO/Clerk
Jeff Carswell, Treasurer (7:00 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.)
Paul Van Vaerenbergh, Public Work Superintendent (7:00 p.m.– 7:16 p.m.)
Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief (7:00 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.)
June McLarty, Administrative Assistant (7:00 p.m.– 7:16p.m.)

ABSENT: Councillor: S. Emons

MOMENT OF SILENCE: BUD MARR

Mayor Jones gave a brief history of Bud's political background and community contributions and noted that both him and his wife Melba will be greatly missed in the Township.

A moment of silence was observed for Bud Marr.

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA:

12. Closed Session

- (d) A position or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239 (2(c)) – Shedden Development Lands

DISCLOSURES: Councillor Pennings declared a pecuniary interest on item 12a Fire Renumeration

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

2021-280

Councillor Pennings – Deputy Mayor Monteith

Minutes

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 27, 2021 be approved;

AND THAT Council has reviewed and approved the minutes of the Shedden Recreation & Community Centre and Keystone Complex Board Meeting of April 8th, 2021

CARRIED

REPORTS:

Activity Report from the Drainage Superintendent

The monthly activity report from the Drainage Superintendent was presented.

Activity Report from the Fire Chief

Fire Chief Jeff McArthur presented his report to Council. Mayor Jones commented that the fire training is going well through the County. Fire Chief McArthur reported that there has been significant savings with the training being held within the County.

2022 OPP Estimate

Treasurer Jeff Carswell provided a report on the 2022 OPP Estimates. Mr. Carswell also reported that the estimates were up from last year. The reconciliation came in close to what was projected for 2019. Deputy Mayor Monteith questioned if the calls of service include the calls for the 401. Mr. Carswell responded that the 401 is not included in those calls.

2021-281

Councillor North – Deputy Mayor Monteith

2022 OPP Estimate

THAT the 2022 OPP Cost Estimates be received for information.

CARRIED

Activity Report from the Director of Building and Community Services

The monthly activity report from the Director of Building and Community Services was presented to Council.

Activity Report from the CAO/Clerk

CAO/Clerk Lisa Higgs presented her report to Council.

CORRESPONDENCE:

2021-283 Councillor Pennings – Deputy Mayor Monteith BAO –Hunter Cemetery

THAT Council of the Township of Southwold accepts the correspondence received from Lakeroad Cemetery (Hunter Cemetery) Board Trustees and forwards it to the Bereavement Authority of Ontario.

CARRIED

2021-284 Deputy Mayor Monteith – Councillor Pennings Waiver of Fees - EarlyON

THAT Staff do a cost recovery calculation for heat, hydro and cleaning at the Keystone Complex;

AND THAT the YMCA – Southwestern Ontario- EarlyON forward a request to the Green Lane Community Trust Fund for the funds to cover the cost recovery calculation.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

- By-law No. 2021-62, being a by-law to confirm the resolutions and motions of the Council of the Township of Southwold, which were adopted on October 12th, 2021.

2021-285 Councillor North – Councillor Pennings By-laws

THAT By-law No. 2021-62 be read a first and second time;

AND THAT By-law No. 2021-62 be read a third time and finally passed.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Council reviewed the item under Other Business

CLOSED SESSION:

THAT Council of the Township of Southwold now moves into a session of the meeting that shall be closed to the public at **7:16 p.m.** in accordance with Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25 for discussion of the following matters;

- Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. (Section 239 (2) (b)) – 2 items – Development Services and Fire Remuneration
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matter before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. (Section 239 (e)) – Minor Variance Application
- A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board (section 239 (2)(k)) – Talbotville Development
- A position or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239 (2(c)) – Shedden Development Lands.

CARRIED

Councillor Pennings abstained from voting on the following resolution:

THAT Council adopt the recommendation from Staff Report FIR 2021-18 dated October 12, 2021, regarding fire department remuneration.


CARRIED

<u>Recorded Vote</u>	<u>Yeas</u>	<u>Nays</u>
S. Emons	—	—
G. Jones - Mayor	✓	—
R. Monteith	✓	—
P. North	✓	—
J. Pennings	—	—

ADJOURNMENT:

THAT Council for the Township of Southwold adjourns this Regular meeting of Council at **9:43 p.m.**

CARRIED



Mayor
Grant Jones



CAO/Clerk
Lisa Higgs