

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHWOLD

MINUTES



Regular Council Meeting

Monday March 28, 2022

5:32 p.m. Council Chambers, Fingal/Via Video Link

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor: R. Monteith

Councillors: S. Emons
P. North
J. Pennings

ALSO PRESENT: Lisa Higgs, CAO/Clerk
Peter Kavcic, Dir. of Infrastructure & Development Serv.
(5:30 p.m. - 6:41 p.m.)
Paul Van Vaerenbergh, Public Works Superintendent (5:30 p.m. - 6:41 p.m.)
Brent Clutterbuck, Drainage Superintendent (6:15 p.m. - 6:37 p.m.)
June McLarty, Corporate Services Clerk (5:30 p.m. - 6:41 p.m.)

ABSENT: Mayor G. Jones

Deputy Mayor Monteith called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA:

12. Closed Session:

- (a) Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board members (section 239(2))(b) – Maternity Leave Coverage

DISCLOSURES:

There were no disclosures

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

2022-82

Councillor Emons – Councillor North

Minutes

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 14, 2022 are hereby adopted; and

THAT Council has reviewed the minutes of the Southwold Zero Waste Committee Meeting of July 7, 2022, and Minutes of the Emergency Control Group Meeting of March 21, 2022.

CARRIED

REPORTS:

**2022-83 Councillor Pennings – Councillor Emons Water Modelling Review
Consultant Award**

THAT consultant proposal submitted by WT Infrastructure Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$13,000, excluding HST, be accepted.

CARRIED

Lynhurst Reconstruction Update

Peter Kavcic, Director of Infrastructure and Development Services presented provide an update to Council on the serving connections and water main work that we are coordinating with the city of St. Thomas. Notices to affected residents will be sent out once we have confirmed construction dates. Staff is anticipating a June start date.

Southwold Water Distribution System – Disruption

Peter Kavcic, Director of Infrastructure and Development Services reported to Council that there will be a disruption in the Southwold Water Distribution System from April 24-25. OCWA is replacing a water valve. During the disruption our system will be back fed from Dutton Dunwich.

**2022-84 Councillor Emons – Councillor Pennings Fire Protection
Water Rate**

THAT Council approve the amendment of the Water Rate By-Law 2014-65 to include a fire protection rate for unmetered fire supply lines.

CARRIED

**2022-85 Councillor North – Councillor Pennings Teetzel Property –
Surplus Land**

THAT Council declares the remaining Teetzel property identified by Part 8, Part 9, Part 13, Part 14, Part 18, Part 19 and Part 23 surplus; and,

THAT Council provide comments on the attached Request for Proposal in Schedule 'B' that will be used to sell the lands.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

5:45 p.m. – 6:10 p.m.

Mark Loucas, Elgin OPP Detachment Commander presented the 2021 Elgin OPP Annual Report to Council.

REPORT:

**2022-86 Councillor Pennings – Councillor Emons Tractor Backhoe
Proposal Award**

THAT Council accept the proposal for the supply and delivery of a Case Tractor Backhoe from Kucera Group Inc. in the amount of \$175,811.00, excluding HST.

CARRIED

DRAINAGE:

McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022

In attendance: Rene Woolley

**2022-87 Councillor North – Councillor Emons Mtg to Consider Report
McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022**

THAT the Meeting to Consider the report for the McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022 forms at **6:15 p.m.**

CARRIED

George Vereyken presented the report to Council.

Councillor North questioned what is considered shallow tile. Mr. Vereyken responded that less than 760 mm of cover is considered shallow tile.

Councillor Pennings questioned the cost of the Geotech investigation on the 401. Mr. Vereyken responded that was a request from the MTO to cover any problems that may occur during the construction.

No questions were asked from the landowners.

2022-88 Councillor North – Councillor Emons McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022

THAT the Report on the McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022 prepared by Spriet Associates pursuant to Section 78 of the Drainage Act, dated February 25, 2022 be accepted by Council of the Township of Southwold; and

THAT Council authorizes staff to initiate the tender process, if required, for the improvement of the McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022; and

THAT Court of Revision for the McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022 will be held virtually at 6:15 p.m. on April 25, 2022; and

THAT Council consider provisional By-law No. 2022-24.

CARRIED

**2021- 89 Councillor Pennings – Councillor Emons Adjournment of Mtg to
Consider Report –
McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022**

THAT the Meeting to Consider the Report for the McIntosh Drain No. 2 2022 hereby adjourns at **6:25 p.m.**

CARRIED

REPORTS:

**2022-90 Councillor Pennings – Councillor Emons Public Works Building
Proposal Award**

THAT Council award the Public Works Building design assignment to RJ Burnside and Associates Limited at a cost of \$194,921.93, excluding HST.

CARRIED

County Council Highlights March 8, 2022

Lisa presented this report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Correspondence from Elgin County RE: Terrace Lodge Fundraising Committee and 2021 Annual Fundraising Report
- Correspondence from Elgin County RE: Notice of lease renewal for Elgin County Library Branch facilities and Setting the Framework for

Terrace Lodge Fundraising Committee

STAFF DIRECTION

Staff was directed by Council to advertise and recruit a member of the public to sit on the Terrace Lodge Fundraising Committee. Staff will report back at a future meeting.

Notice of lease renewals for Elgin County Library Branch Facilities.

Council reviewed this item under Correspondence.

BY-LAWS:

2022-91 Councillor Pennings – Councillor North By-laws

THAT By-laws Nos. 2022-24, 2022-25, and 2022-26 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

2022-92 Councillor Pennings – Councillor North By-laws

THAT By-laws Nos. 2022-25 and 2022-26 be read a third time and finally passed.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Wind Concerns Ontario – Letter to Municipalities and Setback Recommendations
- TVDSB – Rural Education Task Force
- Elgin County 2022 Budget Letter and Fact Sheet

Council review the items under Other Business.

CLOSED SESSION:

2022-93 Councillor Emons – Councillor Pennings 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 **6:41 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 members (section 239(2))(b) – Maternity Leave Coverage

CARRIED

STAFF DIRECTION

Staff was given direction by Council to the item that was discussed in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

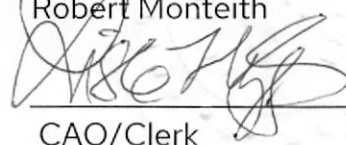
2022-94 Councillor North – Councillor Emons

Adjournment

THAT Council for the Township of Southwold adjourns this Regular meeting of Council at **7:22 p.m.**



Deputy Mayor
Robert Monteith



CAO/Clerk
Lisa Higgs