

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024**

MINUTES

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held in person on Wednesday October 16, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance: Mayor Sandie Macdonald
Deputy Mayor Michael Smith
Councillor Pieter Kiezebrink
Councillor Henry Sander
Councillor Liana Maltby

Staff in attendance: M. Mikael, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Rankin, Manager of Parks and Recreation
D. Burgin, Fire Chief
G. McNamara, Deputy Fire Chief
J. Kolb, Manager of Public Work
P. Granes, Chief Building Official
S. Corbett, Deputy Clerk
L. Lehr, Manager of Legislative Services

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Macdonald opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The Township of Essa acknowledges that we are situated on land within the area of Treaty 18, also known as the Lake Simcoe-Nottawasaga Treaty, signed on October 17, 1818 between the Government of Upper Canada and the Anishinaabe Indigenous peoples. The Anishinaabe include the Ojibwe, Odawa and Pottawatomi Nations collectively known as the Three Fires Confederacy. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture and committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect with all First Nation, Metis and Inuit People.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC MEETINGS

- a. Delegation**
Dr. Shannon Reid, Alliston Family Health Team
Re: Physician Recruitment and Retention

Dr. Shannon Reid provided Council with a presentation outlining the need for primary care in Angus. She provided Council with options that are available for the municipality to support the recruitment and retention of physicians in Angus.

b. Presentation
Rick Monkman, Emergency Management Group
Re: Township of Essa Fire Department Fire Master Plan

Rick Monkman provided Council with an overview of the Fire Master Plan, including a summary of the recommendations contained therein. He commented that this plan is multi-year in nature and is intended to ensure that the Township meets the needs of the community for the next 10 years.

Resolution No: CW070-2024 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Fire Master Plan as presented by the Emergency Management Group be received; and THAT Council endorse, in principle, the recommendations contained in the Fire Master Plan; and THAT the Fire Chief be directed to provide Council with a multi-year prioritized listing of the recommendations contained therein, including the financial impact on the municipality for future budgeting years.

---Carried---

c. Presentation
Brett Sears, WSP
Re: Transportation and Trails Master Plan

Brett Sears provided Council with an overview of the Transportation and Trails Master Plan, including a summary of the recommendations contained therein. He commented that this plan is multi-year in nature and is intended to ensure that the Township meets its transportation and trail needs up to 2043.

Resolution No: CW071-2024 Moved by: Maltby Seconded by: Sander

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Transportation and Trails Master Plan as presented by WSP be received; and THAT Council endorse, in principle, the recommendations contained in the Transportation and Trails Master Plan; and THAT the Manager of Public Works be directed to provide Council with a multi-year prioritized listing of the recommendations contained therein, including the financial impact on the municipality for future budgeting years.

---Carried---

STAFF REPORTS

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT / BUILDING

5. PARKS AND RECREATION / COMMUNITY SERVICES

- a. **Staff Report PR013-24 submitted by the Manager of Parks and Recreation, re: Rental Fee Reduction for Charity Ball Hockey Tournament.**

Resolution No: CW072-2024 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Kiezebrink

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Staff Report PR013-24-24 be received: and **THAT** Council approve the request of Kassandra Williams Birch to provide a 50% rental fee reduction for the outdoor rink at the Thornton Community Centre for a charity tournament.*

---Carried---

6. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

7. PUBLIC WORKS

8. FINANCE

9. CLERKS / BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT / IT

- a. **Staff Report C013-24 submitted by the Deputy Clerk, re: Proposed 2025 Regular Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting Schedule.**

Resolution No: CW073-2024 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Staff Report C013-24-24 be received: and **THAT** Council approve the 2025 Regular Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting schedule as presented.*

---Carried---

10. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (C.A.O.)

11. OTHER BUSINESS

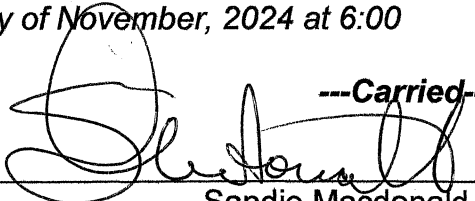
- o Upcoming Events - Angus Santa Claus Parade – November 16, 2024 (10:00 a.m.)

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: CW074-2024 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Maltby

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting of Committee of the Whole of the Township of Essa adjourn at 7:07 pm., to meet again on the 6th day of November, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.*

---Carried---


Sandie Macdonald

Mayor



Lisa Lehr

Manager of Legislative Services