

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024
(To follow Committee of the Whole)**

MINUTES

Members of the public wishing to attend can do so by attending in person to the Council Chambers located in the Administration Centre at 5786 County Road 21, Utopia.

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
A. McClinton, Administrative Assistant - Parks and Recreation
S. Haniff, Manager of Planning
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 6:18 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

Resolution No: CR142-2024 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the motions duly passed and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting of this date be approved; and
THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, and Regular Council meetings held on the 4th day of September, 2024 be adopted as circulated.*

---Carried---

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No: CR143-2024 Moved by: Maltby Seconded by: Kiezebrink

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated September 18, 2024, be received for information.*

---Carried---

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6. PETITIONS

7. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. Proclamation – National Breastfeeding Week – October 1-7, 2024

Resolution No: CR144-2024 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

WHEREAS exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months of life, and continued breastfeeding for two years and beyond provides unique nutritional and non-nutritional long-term benefits for an infant's growth and development; and
WHEREAS the World Health Organization's Global Strategy on Infant and Young Child Feeding calls on governments worldwide to create environments that enable mothers, families and other caregivers to make informed choices about feeding practices for infants and young children; and
WHEREAS breastfeeding is a human right and the Ontario Human Rights Code protects a woman's right to breastfeed in a public area without discrimination; and
WHEREAS October 1st - 7th is recognized as National Breastfeeding Week – an initiative to raise awareness of the numerous benefits of breastfeeding; to strengthen individual, family, and community support for breastfeeding and to further strategies that promote breastfeeding practices; and
WHEREAS the theme for National Breastfeeding Week 2024 is Empower Parents, Enable Breastfeeding. The theme is inclusive of all parents and the focus is on supporting both parents to be empowered to realize their breastfeeding goals. Breastfeeding is the foundation of lifelong good health for babies and mothers. In Simcoe County over 90% of families choose to breastfeed their babies. With the support of partners, family, friends, health care providers, employers and communities we hope to support a breastfeeding-friendly culture where breastfeeding is recognized as the natural way to feed infants and young children.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Essa hereby proclaims October 1st - 7th, 2024 as "National Breastfeeding Week" in the Township of Essa.

---Carried----

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. BY-LAWS

Resolution No: CR145-2024 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Maltby

- a. **By-law 2024-42** – A By-law to delegate powers and duties to the Municipal Clerk for updates to the Records Management Retention Schedule.
- b. **By-law 2024-43** - A By-law to deem Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 South Side Margaret Street, Plan 160A to not be part of a registered Plan of Subdivision.
- c. **By-law 2024-44** - A By-law to execute an MOU with the County of Simcoe to operate a multi-jurisdictional, Hazardous Materials Incident Response Team.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-laws 2024-42, 2024-43, and 2024-44 be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

---Carried---

10. QUESTIONS

11. CLOSED SESSION

12. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution No: CR146-2024 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Sander

By-law 2024-45

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-law 2024-45, that being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole and Council meetings held on this 18th day of September, 2024; and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

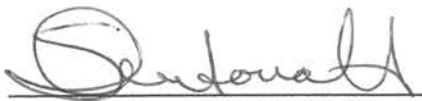
---Carried---

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: CR147-2024 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Maltby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of Council of the Township of Essa adjourn at 6:24 p.m. to meet again on the 2nd day of October, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

---Carried---



Sandie Macdonald
Mayor



Lisa Lehr
Manager of Legislative Services