



Municipality of West Elgin

Agenda

Council Meeting

Date: February 8, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers
160 Main Street
West Lorne

Council Meetings are held in-person at 160 Main Street, West Lorne, and the post-meeting recording available at www.westelgin.net, when available (pending no technical difficulties).

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby adopts the Regular Council Agenda for February 8, 2024 as presented.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
4. Public Meeting

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby proceed into a Public Meeting pursuant to the *Planning Act*.

4.1 Zoning By-law Amendment Application D-14 3-2023

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Robert Brown, Planner regarding the removal of the Holding Symbol (H-8) from property located in the southwest corner of Graham Road and Jane St., being Part of Lot 71 & 18, Concession 8, Parts 3, 6, 7 & 9, RP 11R 9329.

That Council of the Municipality of west Elgin consider the By-law to remove the holding symbol (H-8) for the lands located in the southwest corner of the intersection of Graham Road and Jane St. as presented in the By-law portion of the Council agenda for February 8, 2024.

4.2 Public Comment

4.3 Council Comment

5. Delegations

5.1 Port Glasgow Marina Pier Extension - Clerks Report

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Terri Towstiuc, Clerk re: Pier Extension Proposal; And

That West Elgin Council hereby partner with PGYC and contribute to the Port Glasgow Marina Pier Extension project, to a maximum amount of \$288,000.00;

And That West Elgin Council transfer the funds from the Marina Pier Extension reserves set aside for this specific purpose.

OR

That Council hereby _____.

6. Adoption of Minutes

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby adopt the minutes of the January 24, 2024 Special Meeting, the January 25, Regular Council Meeting and the January 31, 2024 Special Meeting, as presented.

6.1 Committee Minutes

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council acknowledge receipt of the Heritage Home Minutes, November 27, 2023, and the Rodney Park Committee Minutes, February 1, 2024.

7. Business Arising from Minutes

8. Staff Reports

8.1 Building Department

8.1.1 January Report and Comparison

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Corey Pemberton, Chief Building Official Re: Building Department Summary Report for the month of January 2024.

8.2 Operations & Community Services

8.2.1 2024 Landfill Monitoring Agreement

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Lee Gosnell, Manager of Operations & Community Services; and

That West Elgin Council approve the 2024 Landfill Monitoring Contract submitted by BluMetric Environmental.

8.3 Drainage

8.3.1 Thompson & Voros Drain

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Lee Gosnell, Manager of Operations & Community Services re: Appoint Drainage Engineer – Request for Drainage Works; and

That West Elgin Council hereby appoints Spriet Associates to prepare a report for improvements to the Voros Municipal Drain; and

That West Elgin Council hereby appoints Spriet Associates to prepare a report for improvements to the Thompson Municipal Drain.

8.4 Planning

8.4.1 Extension of Hope Harbour

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Robert Brown, planner regarding a request for draft plan of subdivision extension for the Hope Harbour subdivision – Recommendation Report (Planning Report 2024-05).

That West Elgin Council direct administration to provide a resolution of support to the County of Elgin planner for extension of draft plan of subdivision File No. 34T-WE1501.

8.5 Water - Sam Smith, Senior Operations Manager, Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA), Southwest Region

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the West Lorne Water Treatment Plant, Fourth Quarter 2023 report; And the Rodney Water Treatment Plant, Fourth Quarter, 2023 report; And the West Elgin Distribution System, Operations Report, Fourth Quarter, 2023 from Sam Smith, Senior Operations Manager, Ontario Clean Water Agency, for information purposes.

8.5.1 West Lorne Water Treatment Plant, Fourth Quarter, 2023

8.5.2 Rodney Water Treatment Plant, Fourth Quarter, 2023

8.5.3 West Elgin Distribution System Operations Report, Fourth Quarter 2023

8.6 Clerk's

8.6.1 Development Charges

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Terri Towstiuć, Clerk Re: Development Charges, Study Proposal; And

That Council direct staff to obtain a quote for a Development Charges study for the Municipality of West Elgin.

8.7 Finance/Administration

8.7.1 West Elgin Water Modeling Study

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from M. Badura, CAO/Treasurer re: West Elgin Water Modeling Study and that West Elgin Council approves the proposal prepared by Dillon Engineering for the purchase of engineering services to prepare water modeling study in the amount of \$45,500.00 plus applicable taxes.

8.7.2 Borrowing By-law

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from M. Badura, CAO/Treasurer re: Borrowing By-Law for information purposes; and That By-law No. 2024-13 authorizing the municipality to borrow funds be referred to the By-law Section of the Agenda.

9. Committee and Board Reports or Updates

9.1 Kiwanis Club of Rodney & Rodney Park Committee Re: Municipal Agreement for Ontario Trillium Grant

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Terri Towstiuic, Clerk Re: Kiwanis Club of Rodney and Municipality of West Elgin Agreement for the Trillium Grant Application; And

That Council direct the Clerk to bring back the agreement and By-law for approval at the Regular Meeting of Council, February 22, 2024.

10. Accounts

Recommendation:

That the Mayor and Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign Payment Voucher #2 amounting to \$201,835.74 in settlement of General, Road, Water and Arena Accounts including online Payments#1318-1324, Cheque number 26369-26384 and Payroll Pay Period 02.

11. Council Inquires/Announcements

12. Correspondence

12.1 Enbridge Gas letter, dated January 24, 2024 Re: OEB decision, Phase 1 of Enbridge 2024 Rebasing Application

12.2 Humane Society London Middlesex No Bowls Empty Campaign

- 12.3 **MNFR letter dated January 23, 2024 Re: Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act regulation changes for special projects and well security**
- 12.4 **News Release dated January 22, 2024 Re: Ontario Helping Rural Communities Grow with More Jobs, Homes and Infrastructure**

13. Items Requiring Council Consideration

13.1 Township of Tay, Support of Bill C-310

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council support the resolution from the Township of Tay, supporting the Municipality of Wawa related to Bill C-310, being an Act to amend the Income Tax Act (volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer tax credit); And

That Council direct staff to provide a letter of support to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

13.2 Orangeville Police Services Board Re: Intimate Partner Violence

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council support the resolution from Orangeville Police Services Board Re: Intimate Partner Violence; And

That Council direct staff to provide a letter of Support to the Ontario Police Services Boards.

13.3 Social and Economic Prosperity Review

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receive and support resolutions from The Town of Hanover, Town of Orangeville and the United Counties of Prescott and Russell Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review; And

Whereas current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life; And

Whereas nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year; And

Whereas municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation; And

Whereas unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant

investments in municipal infrastructure; And

Whereas municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises; And

Whereas inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity; And

Whereas property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need; And

Whereas the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities; And

Whereas municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration; And

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

And further that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

14. Upcoming Meetings & Holidays

- February 13 - Economic Development Committee - 7:00pm
- February 14 - West Elgin Community Centre Board of Management (Arena) - 9:00am
- February 19 - Family Day Holiday (Municipal Office Closed)
- February 22 - Regular Council Meeting - 4:00pm

15. By-Laws

15.1 By-law 2024-11 Zoning By-law Amendment D-14 3-2023

Recommendation:

That By-law 2024-11, Being a By-Law to Amend the Municipality of West Elgin Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2015-36 for property known as VL SS Jane St, Part of Lot 7 & 18, concession 8, Part 3, 6, 7 & 9, RP 11R 9329t, be read a first, second and third and final time.

15.2 By-law 2024-12, Development Agreement, MacLeod Court, Don West Agreement

Recommendation:

That By-law 2024-12, A By-law to Authorize the Execution of a Development Agreement between The Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin and Donwest Construction Ltd., for the purpose of MacLeod Court Plan of Subdivision, be read a first, second and third and final time.

15.3 By-law 2024-13, Municipal Borrowing and Current Expenditures

Recommendation:

That By-law 2024-13, Being a By-Law for Municipal Borrowing of Current Expenditures, and Repeal By-law 2023-40, be read a first, second and third and final time.

16. Confirming By-Law

Recommendation:

That By-law 2024-14 being a By-law to confirm the proceeding of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 8, 2024, be read a first, second and third and final time.

17. Adjournment

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of West Elgin hereby adjourn at _____ to meet again at 4:00pm, on Thursday, February 22, 2024, or at the call of the Chair.