

## **Council Meeting Minutes**

### **Council Meeting**

Date: January 30, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

Location: Council Chambers  
60 Snyder's Road West  
Baden, Ontario  
N3A 1A1

Members Present: Mayor N. Salonen  
Councillor S. Cressman  
Councillor K. Wilkinson  
Councillor L. Dunstall  
Councillor S. Martin

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer, S. Chambers  
Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer, P. Kelly  
Director of Infrastructure Services, J. Molenhuis  
Supervisor of IT, K. Jeffreys  
Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk, J. Bunn  
Administrative Clerk, C. Greenley

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#### **1. MOTION TO CONVENE INTO CLOSED MEETING**

There was no Closed Meeting scheduled for January 30, 2023.

#### **2. MOTION TO CONVENE IN OPEN MEETING**

**Moved by:** Councillor L. Dunstall

**Seconded by:** Councillor S. Martin

THAT Council convenes in Open Session at 7:02 p.m.

**Motion Carried**

### 3. **MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

Mayor N. Salonen acknowledged the passing of former Mayor of Mississauga, Hazel McCallion. Hazel was one of Canada's longest serving mayors, having been mayor for over 36 years, retiring at the 'young age' of 93. On behalf of Council and Wilmot Township, Mayor Salonen extended her deepest condolences to Hazel's family and friends.

With January drawing to a close, we look ahead to February and Black History Month. This is a time to pause, learn and celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians. The 2023 theme is "Ours to Tell", encouraging stories of Black Canadians' success, sacrifice, and triumph. There are various events and learning opportunities across the Region during this month. More information can be found on the Township of Wilmot website. Mayor Salonen asked that individuals not let this month be the only point to engage with black history, as it is a part of our larger community's history. Mayor Salonen also encouraged anyone interested in learning about local history to research the settlement in Queen's Bush, Wellesley. It is an intriguing part of our local history that Mayor Salonen was recently made aware of.

### 4. **TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Councillor S. Martin read the Territorial Acknowledgement.

### 5. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST UNDER THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

### 6. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

#### 6.1 Temporary Appointment of Property Standards Appeals Committee, COR-2023-10

**Moved by:** Councillor K. Wilkinson

**Seconded by:** Councillor S. Cressman

THAT Report COR-2023-10 regarding the appointment of a Property Standards Appeals Committee be received; and further,

THAT the following individuals be temporarily appointed to and form the Property Standards Appeals Committee:

- Blain Bechthold
- Julie Molenaar; and,

- Wayne Roth; and further,

THAT the appointments to the Property Standards Appeals Committee remain until the broad Committee Appointment Policy Review is completed.

**Motion Carried**

## **7. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by:** Councillor S. Martin

**Seconded by:** Councillor L. Dunstall

That the Agenda as presented for January 30, 2023 be adopted.

**Motion Carried**

## **8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Moved by:** Councillor S. Cressman

**Seconded by:** Councillor L. Dunstall

THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted as presented:

- Regular Council Meeting January 16, 2023
- Special Council Meeting January 19, 2023

**Motion Carried**

## **9. PUBLIC MEETINGS**

There were no Public Meetings on this date.

## **10. PRESENTATIONS**

There were no Presentations on this date.

## **11. CONSENT AGENDA**

11.1 Grand River Accessibility Advisory Committee Appointments for 2023-2026 Term, COR-2023-02

**Moved by:** Councillor L. Dunstall

**Seconded by:** Councillor S. Martin

THAT Council approve the recommended appointments to the Grand River Accessibility Advisory Committee (GRAAC), and further

THAT pending ratification by the partnering municipalities, the following members be appointed to GRAAC for a four-year term ending December 31, 2026:

1. Alyssa Clelland;
2. Tamara Cooper;
3. Sarah Cunneyworth;
4. Heather Gillespie;
5. Christine Nishiwaki;
6. Farshid Sadatsharifi;
7. Katherine Waybrant;
8. Agency Representation (Brain Injury Association Waterloo Wellington).

**Motion Carried**

## **12. REPORTS**

There were no Reports on this date.

## **13. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no Correspondence on this date.

## **14. BY-LAWS**

**Moved by:** Councillor S. Martin

**Seconded by:** Councillor S. Cressman

THAT By-laws as attached to this Agenda be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed in Open Council.

**Motion Carried**

- 14.1 By-law 2023-05 Being a By-law to Appoint a Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of Wilmot and to Rescind all By-laws for any Previously Appointed Clerks

- 14.2 By-law 2023-06 Being a By-law to Appoint a Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of Wilmot and to Rescind all By-laws for any Previously Appointed Deputy Clerks

## 15. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

There were no Notices of Motion for this meeting.

## 16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor L. Dunstall announced that the Women's Network will be airing "The Love Club" on February 10th at 8:00pm. A large portion of "The Love Club" was filmed at Puddicombe House in New Hamburg.

Mayor Salonen reminded residents that the [Region of Waterloo's Roundabout Survey](#) is still open until February 10, 2023, regarding the proposed roundabout in the Township of Wilmot at Snyder's Road/ Waterloo Street (Regional Road 1) and Nafziger Road (Regional Road 5). Residents are encouraged to provide their input through this regional channel.

Regional Council is continuing on with budget meetings. Mayor Salonen advised that the next Regional budget meeting is on January 31, 2023.

Members of Township Council and Staff attended Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Annual General Meeting and Conference last week, building relationships with provincial counterparts and other rural municipalities.

## 17. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Meeting for this date.

## 18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

**Moved by:** Councillor L. Dunstall

**Seconded by:** Councillor S. Cressman

THAT the Confirmatory By-law, as attached to this Agenda be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed in Open Council.

**Motion Carried**

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by:** Councillor S. Cressman

**Seconded by:** Councillor L. Dunstall

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:12pm, to meet again at the call of the Mayor.

**Motion Carried**