

The Council of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock met at the Innerkip Community Centre, Innerkip, Ontario at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday May 3, 2023.

Members Present: Mayor Phil SCHAEFER, Deputy Mayor Brad SMITH and Councillors Matthew GILLESPIE, Scott RUDY, Jeremy SMITH, Steven VAN WYK and Scott ZEHR.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: CAO-Treasurer Karen DePrest, Clerk Will Jaques, Chief Building Official John Scherer, Public Works Manager Tom Lightfoot and Fire Chief Scott Alexander.

Mayor SCHAEFER welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mayor SCHAEFER also noted that former Township Councillor Margaret Lupton was being honoured by Zorra Township on May 3, 2023, for her years of service to that municipality. Councillor SMITH noted that the first week of May is Canadian Mental Health Week, and that the Innerkip Firefighters Breakfast is coming up on May 7, 2023. Councillor SMITH also offered his congratulations to the Canadian Men's U23 Fastball team on their recent participation in the Softball World Cup in Argentina, with local residents competing for Team Canada.

Approve
Agenda

1. Moved by: Brad SMITH
Seconded by: Scott ZEHR
Resolved that Council approve the agenda for the May 3, 2023, meeting as printed and circulated.

CARRIED.

PECUNIARY INTERESTS:

- None.

Confirm
Minutes -
Council

2. Moved by: Jeremy SMITH
Seconded by: Steven VAN WYK
Resolved that Council confirm the Minutes of the April 19, 2023, Council Meeting, as printed and circulated.

CARRIED.

Correspondence & Reports – No Resolutions:

- ERTH Corp. – Notice of 2023 Annual General Meeting
- Staff Report - #CBO2023 – 05 re: Building, Development & Drainage Reporting
- Staff Report - #PW2023 – 05 re: Public Works Reporting
- Staff Report - #FC2023 – 04 re: Fire Department Reporting
- Staff Report - #CAO2023 – 05 re: Proposed 2023 Operating & Capital Budgets

Correspondence & Reports – Resolutions Following:

<p>ERTH Corp. – Notice of 2023 Annual General Meeting</p>	<p>Council reviewed the correspondence from ERTH Corp. regarding the 2023 Annual General Meeting, and members advised as to whether they were able to attend. Mayor SCHAEFER will be the voting member on behalf of the Township.</p>
<p>Conferences and Seminars</p>	<p>Councillor SMITH provided an overview of his attendance at the recent Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) Conference.</p>
<p>County Council– Updates & Questions</p>	<p>Mayor SCHAEFER provided an update on Oxford County Council activities. In particular, Mayor SCHAEFER provided an overview of the Producer Responsibility Blue Box Program. Oxford County representatives will attend an upcoming Township meeting to discuss this new program.</p>
<p>Staff Report #CBO2023 – 05 re: Building, Development & Drainage Reporting</p>	<p>Chief Building Official John Scherer reviewed the Monthly Building, Development & Drainage Report with Council.</p>
<p>Staff Report #PW2023 – 05 re: Public Works Reporting</p>	<p>Public Works Manager Tom Lightfoot reviewed the Monthly Public Works Report with Council.</p>
<p>Staff Report #FC2023 – 04 re: Fire Department Reporting</p>	<p>Fire Chief Scott Alexander reviewed the Monthly Fire Department Report with Council.</p>

Staff Report
#CAO2023 – 05
re: Proposed
2023 Operating
& Capital
Budgets

CAO-Treasurer Karen DePrest presented her report to Council regarding a summary of the proposed 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets. Council was also provided with a copy of the Budget for their review, in advance of the May 11, 2023, Special Council Meeting, where Council will review the Budget.

Other and
Unfinished
Business

Councillor VAN WYK brought forward discussion regarding traffic calming measures in the Township. Staff provided an overview of the current measures being employed in regards to speed monitoring.

CAO-Treasurer Karen DePrest provided an update on the amendments being made to the Municipal Alcohol Policy. Once complete, the Policy will be brought back to Council for consideration.

Confirming
By-law

3. Moved by: Jeremy SMITH
Seconded by: Scott RUDY
Resolved that By-law #2023-14 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council held Wednesday May 3, 2023, be read a first, second and third time this 3rd day of May, 2023;

And further that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the same and affix the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

Adjourn

4. Moved by: Steven VAN WYK
Seconded by: Scott ZEHR
Resolved that Council does now adjourn at 11:05 a.m.

CARRIED.

Will Jaques, Clerk

Phil Schaefer, Mayor