

The Council of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock met in the Council Chambers at the Township Administration Building, Hickson, Ontario at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday April 3, 2024.

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

Members Absent: Councillor Scott RUDY.

Staff Present: CAO-Treasurer Karen DePrest, Clerk Will Jaques, CBO John Scherer, Public Works Manager Tom Lightfoot and Corporate Initiatives Officer Meaghan Vader.

Mayor SCHAEFER welcomed everyone to the meeting. Councillor SMITH noted that April is “National Organ and Tissue Donation Month”, with “Green Shirt Day” being held on April 7. Green Shirt Day is in honour of the Logan Boulet Effect, supporting organ donation awareness/ registration across Canada.

Approve
Agenda

1. Moved by: Scott ZEHR
Seconded by: Brad SMITH
Resolved that Council approve the agenda for the April 3, 2024, meeting as printed and circulated.

CARRIED.

PECUNIARY INTERESTS:

- None.

Confirm
Minutes -
Council

2. Moved by: Jeremy SMITH
Seconded by: Matthew GILLESPIE
Resolved that Council confirm the Minutes of the March 20, 2024, Council Meeting, as printed and circulated.

CARRIED.

Correspondence & Reports – No Resolutions:

- Safe and Well Oxford – Priorities and Initiatives
- March 20, 2024 Police Services Board Minutes

Correspondence & Reports – Resolutions
Following:

Safe and Well
Oxford –
Priorities and
Initiatives

Council reviewed the correspondence from the Safe and Well Oxford Steering Committee, including Minutes from the Committee’s previous meetings.

County Council–
Updates &
Questions

Mayor SCHAEFER provided an update on County Council activities.

March 20, 2024
Police Services
Board Minutes

Council reviewed the Minutes from the March 20, 2024, Police Services Board meeting.

By-law:

1st & 2nd
Reading

3. Moved by: Scott ZEHR
Seconded by: Steven VAN WYK
Resolved that the following by-law be read a first and second time:
 - 2024-14 – Actual Cost By-law (Witzel Drain)

CARRIED.

By-law:

3rd & Final
Reading

4. Moved by: Brad SMITH
Seconded by: Matthew GILLESPIE
Resolved that the following by-law be read a third and final time:
 - 2024-14 – Actual Cost By-law (Witzel Drain)

CARRIED.

Council observed at recess between 9:12 a.m. and 9:15 a.m.

Public Meeting -
Open

5. Moved by: Scott ZEHR
Seconded by: Steven VAN WYK
Resolved that Council does now adjourn to a Public Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act at 9:15 a.m.

CARRIED.

Public Meeting
for ZN2-23-07
(Village Manor
Tavistock Inc.)

**PUBLIC MEETING – VILLAGE MANOR
TAVISTOCK INC. ZONE CHANGE APPLICATION
ZN2-23-07, PART LOT 126, PLAN 307,
TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA-TAVISTOCK.**

Dustin Robson from the County of Oxford Planning Department was present to comment on his report #CP2024-110, regarding the Zone Change Application on lands owned by Village Manor Tavistock Inc.

Council asked questions of the planner and Staff. The applicant was present for the Public Meeting. Council reviewed and considered the comments made in making its decision regarding this application.

Council
Reconvene

- 6. Moved by: Brad SMITH
Seconded by: Scott ZEHR
Resolved that the Public Meeting does now adjourn and Council reconvenes at 9:19 a.m.

CARRIED.

- 7. Moved by: Steven VAN WYK
Seconded by: Scott ZEHR
Resolved Council approve-in-principle the zone change application submitted by Village Manor Tavistock Inc., whereby the lot to be retained resulting from Consent Application B23-83-2, described as Part Lot 126, Plan 307, is to be rezoned from 'Residential Type 1 Zone (R1)' to 'Residential Type 3 Zone (R3).'

CARRIED.

Council observed at recess between 9:21 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

At 9:30 a.m., Scott Patterson (Patterson Planning Consultants Inc.) and Angela Kroetsch (GM BluePlan Engineering Ltd.), representing Apple Homes, attended the meeting to present their request to have further lands brought into the Tavistock Settlement Area Boundary Expansion (SABE) area, as part of the Secondary Plan project. Council confirmed that it was satisfied with the current SABE areas determined by the Township's project consultant for Tavistock and Innerkip, and as approved by Council at their meeting of December 20, 2023.

Confirming
By-law

8. Moved by: Scott ZEHR
Seconded by: Jeremy SMITH
Resolved that By-law #2024-15 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council held Wednesday April 3, 2024, be read a first, second and third time this 3rd day of April, 2024;

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

CARRIED.

Adjourn

9. Moved by: Brad SMITH
Seconded by: Steven VAN WYK
Resolved that Council does now adjourn at 9:53 a.m.

CARRIED.

Will Jaques, Clerk

Phil Schaefer, Mayor