Township of South-West Oxford Council Minutes

September 19, 2023

Mayor David Mayberry, Paul

Members Present: Mayor: Buchner (Ward 1), Peter Ypma

Councillors: (Ward 2), George Way (Ward 4),

Craig Gillis (Ward 6)

Members Absent: Valerie Durston (Ward 3), Jim Pickard (Ward 5)

Mary Ellen Greb, CAO/Treasurer Julie Middleton, Clerk/Deputy CAO Adam Prouse, Works Superintendent

Howard Leaver, Chief Building Official

Nicole Chambers, Records Management Co-

ordinator/Clerk's Assistant

Call Meeting to Order

Staff Present:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor David Mayberry and a quorum was present.

Motion to Accept Agenda

Resolution No. 1 Moved by George Way

Seconded by Craig Gillis

RESOLVED that the regular meeting agenda for the

September 19th, 2023 meeting of council be

approved, as amended.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Minutes

June 27th, 2023 - Special Council Meeting Minutes - Strategic Planning

Resolution No. 2 Moved by Paul Buchner

Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the special Council meeting minutes

of the June 27th, 2023 meeting be approved.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

September 5th, 2023 - Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution No. 3 Moved by Peter Ypma

Seconded by Craig Gillis

RESOLVED that the regular minutes of the

September 5th, 2023 council meeting be approved, as

amended.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

CL 42-2023: Business Arising from Minutes of September 5th, 2023

Clerk Julie Middleton provided Council with a report to provide them with an overview of the staff actions arising from the minutes of the last Council meeting.

Resolution No. 4

Moved by Craig Gillis Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report CL 42-2023 Summary of Staff Actions Related to Business Arising from the Minutes of September 5th, 2023 as information.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Appointments

<u>6:35 p.m. - Louise Wardrop, Executive Director - Oxford Community Foundation</u>

Executive Director, Louise Wardrop, on behalf of Oxford Community Foundation (OCF), gave a presentation to Council to provide them with information in relation to what their organization does and how they support the community and Oxford County as a whole. The goals of Oxford Community Foundation as a local non-profit organization are to:

- help leave a lasting legacy in Oxford to make it a better place;
- protect community legacy by investing and granting funds wisely; and
- support the entire community including culture, education, heritage, arts, social services, wellness, the environment, health and recreation.

Oxford Community Foundation has granted over \$2 million to 115 charities in Oxford County. They work to keep money in Oxford for Oxford and bring new dollars into Oxford through partnerships with Canada 150, RBC Future Launch Community Challenge, Maple Leaf Community Fund, Canada Summer Games Fund, Emergency Community Support Fund, Healthy Communities Fun, Community Services Fund. Ms. Wardrop commented on several local grants provided by OCF, as follows:

- Foldens Park funding for shade pavilion and playground equipment;
- Beachville Park funding for basketball posts and nets; and
- Oxford County Trails funding for preserving nature, enhancing the trail network, among many others.

OCF is the only Community Foundation that serves all of Oxford County, granting to all aspects of the community. OCF makes charitable giving easy, providing the opportunity to establish funds targeting donors' areas of interest. OCF invests and grants funds wisely. The need is always greater than the funds available.

Mayor Mayberry thanked Louise for her presentation.

6:50 p.m. – Scott Paton and Barb Freeman, Mount Elgin Cemetery 2024 Grant Presentation

Scott Paton and Barb Freeman, on behalf of the Mount Elgin Cemetery, presented their 2024 grant request to Council. The Committee is seeking \$7,000 in 2024 to be used towards grass cutting and insurance costs. She provided Council with a review of the expenses, plots sold and burials completed to date in 2023.

It was noted that the cemetery has incurred some additional expenses in relation to a large tree that fell in the cemetery. The cost to remove and clean up the tree in total is in excess of \$10,000. This additional work required is going to strain the funds available for the cemetery.

Works Superintendent Adam Prouse advised that he will reach out to another contractor used by the Township for another quote to remove the tree and debris.

Staff Reports

BD 08-2023: August 2023 Building Report

Chief Building Official Howard Leaver provided Council with a report to provided them with the status of the activities in the building department as of the end of August, 2023.

Resolution No. 5 Moved by Craig Gillis

Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report BD-08-2023 Monthly Building Report for August 2023 as

information.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

<u>CAO 16-2023: Environment & Energy Committee 2023 Projects - Additional Funding Required</u>

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Ellen Greb provided Council with a report to request their approval to transfer an additional \$13,000 plus applicable taxes from the Climate Change Reserve to cover the cost of two capital projects recommended by the Environment and Energy Innovation Committee: LED lighting at the Mount Elgin Fire Hall and ceiling insultation at the Mount Elgin Community Centre.

Discussion took place regarding the funds available in the Climate Change reserves and the amount transferred into the reserve in 2023. It was discussed whether or not one or both projects should proceed in 2023, with the other project put on hold until budget approval for 2024. It is anticipated that the LED lighting project will see a good return on investment in relation to energy costs at the Mount Elgin Fire Hall. It is anticipated that a lower return on investment will be realized in relation to the Mount Elgin ceiling insultation project; however, the insultation is deteriorating and this will need to be completed at some point.

Committees of Council will be discussing their 2024 proposed budgets at their meetings in October.

(Discussion continued below)

7:00 P.M. Strategic Planning – Public Consultation

<u>CL 47-2023: Township of South-West Oxford Strategic Plan - Final Public</u> Consultation Session

Clerk Julie Middleton provided Council with a report to provide them with an update regarding the development of the updated Strategic Plan for the Township and to hear final comments from members of the public in relation to the content, goals and priorities.

She noted that the purpose of this portion of the agenda tonight was to hear final comments from members of the public, Council and staff with respect to the proposed draft strategic map prepared for the Township.

There were no members of the public that spoke in relation to the updated Strategic Plan.

Members of Council requested that following changes:

- Remove "at its best" from the draft vision statement;
- Values: replace "courageous" with "forthright";
- · Values: remove "and do the right things".

Members of Council expressed general support of the draft strategic map for the Township. It was questioned if the document could be shortened to some degree. It was acknowledged that the draft strategic map is aspirational for the Township and that there is work to do over the next few years to achieve the goals and objectives set out in the updated plan.

Clerk Middleton advised Council that staff will work to finalize the document and bring it back to Council for final review and adoption.

Resolution No. 6

Moved by Paul Buchner Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report CL 47-2023: Township of South-West Oxford Strategic Plan - Final Public Consultation Session as information;

AND FURTHER THAT Council provide their support in principle of the updated draft strategic plan as presented to Council and attached as Appendix 'A' to report CL 47-2023;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to finalize the 2023 to 2026 Strategic Plan and report back to Council with the final version for approval.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Appointments (continued)

7:12 p.m. - Daphne and Dave Benjamins re: Speeding on Airport Road

Dave Benjamins addressed Council in relation to speeding concerns on Airport Road. He presented Council with a written request to post 50km/hr

speed signs along Airport Road from 243460 Airport Road to 243353 Airport Road. He advised that there are no posted speed limits on Airport Road currently.

Works Superintendent Adam Prouse advised Council that a traffic study was completed on Airport Road earlier this year. It is a low volume road and the traffic study did not show excessive speeding. The average speed of motorists was around 70 km/hr. TAC guidelines recommend a posted speed limit of 80km/hr. He also advised that speed signs are not required and not usually posted if there is no change of the maximum speed limit along the same road network. He advised that their traffic will be sent to the OPP for their review and that a "hidden driveway' sign may be posted.

7:19 p.m. - Joanna Piatkowski and Amy Maddess, Ingamo Homes re: Violence Against Women in Oxford

Joanna Piatkowski and Amy Maddess, on behalf of Ingamo Homes, addressed Council regarding the work Ingamo Homes does locally to prevent intimate partner violence. She commented on system level barriers that exist within Oxford when it comes to access to services in the County including limited availability of services, gaps in system design and funding, lack housing/shelter, justice system and lack of collaboration between services and provider education and training. With respect to individuals experiencing intimate partner violence in rural areas, the following was noted:

- Women experience intimate partner violence in rural areas at a 75% higher rate than women in urban areas. Knowledge of available services and supports, beliefs and attitudes vary across areas there are often more intense power imbalance between genders in rural communities.
- Women who do access services locally in rural communities lack anonymity that comes from living in smaller communities and in isolation.
- In rural communities the distance from homes to services and support is three times higher than those in urban areas. Sometimes these resources are more than 80km away and many do not have access to a family vehicle or method of transportation. Survivors cannot receive the services they need within their own community.
- Many individuals may not have a neighbour nearby and more isolated with their partner than those living within urban areas.
- The number of crises calls received continue to rise each year with no local increases to staffing and funding. Waitlists are continuing to grow.
- Women are staying in shelter for longer due to the ongoing housing crisis.
- Women are forced to choose between homelessness or violence.
 Women are force to leave their community for support.

- Oxford County only has one crisis centre which is located in Woodstock. Population within the County continues to grow.
- Funding formulas that apply in urban areas for intimate partner violence resources and support don't work in rural areas.
- There are not enough supports within Oxford County for men experiencing intimate partner violence. They are forced to go outside their community if they require support. Brant County has support services for men.

Ingamo Homes is seeking support from area municipalities in the form of permanent office space for staff, transitional housing units and \$10,000 annually to be used towards prevention and education work.

Mayor Mayberry thanked Joanne and Amy for their presentation. He noted that a similar presentation was made at the County level, and members were surprised to learn that intimate partner violence is more of a concern in rural areas than in the urban areas. The level of access to services for individuals in rural areas are not readily available. Chief Administrative Officer Mary Ellen Greb will provide them with the Township's 2024 community grant application for completion.

Staff Reports (continued)

CAO 16-2023: Environment & Energy Committee 2023 Projects - Additional Funding Required (continued)

Members of Council stated that they are not opposed to the two projects being completed; however, they asked that future projects be included in the draft budget at the time of budget deliberations.

Clerk Julie Middleton advised Council that when the Environment and Energy Innovation Committee discussed their proposed budget for 2023, they had no projects in mind. As a result, they asked to transfer funds into the climate change reserves with the intention of using the funds when their priorities were explored and defined.

Resolution No. 7 Moved by Peter Ypma Seconded by Craig Gillis

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive Report CAO 16-2023 as information;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves additional funding from the Climate Change Reserve of \$13,000.00 to cover the additional cost of insulating

the ceiling at Mount Elgin Community Centre and the supply and installation of LED lighting at the Mount Elgin Fire Station.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CAO 17-2023: Job Description for Financial Analyst and Updated Organizational Chart

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Ellen Greb provided Council with a report to bring forward a recommendation to approve the draft job description for the newly created position of Financial Analyst, as well as the amended organizational chart which includes the new position. She noted that this position will be filled by an internal promotion and no new staff position will be created.

Resolution No. 8

Moved by George Way Seconded by Craig Gillis

RESOLVED that Council receive Report CAO 17-2023 entitled "Financial Analyst Job Description and Updated Organizational Chart" as information;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the draft job description for the new financial analyst position as well as the amended organizational chart.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CL 43-2023: Noise By-law Exemption Request - Kiran Brar (Mount Elgin)

Clerk Julie Middleton provided Council with a report to present Council with a request received from Kiran Brar for an exemption to the Township's Noise By-law to permit the amplification of sound (music/DJ) for an engagement party to be held on Saturday, October 7th, 2023 in Mount Elgin.

It was noted that guests will need to ensure that they do not park in front of the water cistern installed for fire suppression purposes across from their residence. No parking signs have been posted in this location.

Resolution No. 9 Moved by Peter Ypma Seconded by George Way

> RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report CL 43-2023: Noise By-law Exemption Request: Kiran Brar as information;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize an exemption to Section 3.3 of the Township's Noise Bylaw No. 49-2021 for an engagement party to be held on Saturday, October 7th, 2023 at 92 Graydon Drive, Mount Elgin from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.;

AND FURTHER THAT Council provide direction to staff to notify any residents that provided comments in relation to this request, enforcement staff and the OPP of the event to be held on Saturday, October 7th, 2023 of the noise by-law exemption granted by Council.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

7:50 p.m. - Development Planner Spencer McDonald - Request for Modification to Draft Approved Plan of Subdivision SB21-11-4 – Mt. Elgin Developments (Phase 6)

Development Planner Spencer McDonald explained that the purpose of this report is to advise Council of a request received to modify an approved draft plan of subdivision to adequately address stormwater management demands to service the development. The draft plan was originally approved at the September 28, 2022 County Council Meeting and consists of 166 lots for single-detached dwellings, 7 blocks for 69 street-fronting townhouse dwellings, 1 open space block, 2 blocks for lot additions, 1 park block, 3 blocks for pedestrian walkways, a block for a railway berm, and 2 blocks to be dedicated to the Township, served by 6 new local streets. At the time of approval, a stormwater management block was shown in the northwest corner of the development, identified as Block 170 on the draft plan. Upon preparation of the detailed engineering design for the proposed subdivision plan, it became apparent that additional lands for storm water management purposes are required and the owner is requesting a modification to the draft plan which will have the effect of removing six (6) lots for single detached dwellings to accommodate an additional stormwater management block. This proposed modification will provide adequate stormwater management infrastructure for the site, which is a condition of draft approval for the plan of subdivision.

Planning staff are recommending support of the modification to provide an additional block for a stormwater management facility to the plan, which will have the result of removing six (6) lots for single-detached dwellings from the draft approved plan.

Discussion took place regarding any potential impact to the proposed parkland to the north of the development and proposed stormwater

management pond. It was noted that the parkland would drain towards the proposed SWM pond. Any design elements and fencing will be addressed in the subdivider's agreement. The amended plan will not impact the development of the walking trail along the railway to Mount Elgin Road.

Resolution No. 10 Moved by George Way Seconded by Peter Ypma

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford advise Oxford County that the Township supports the requested modification of draft approval for the plan of subdivision submitted by GSP Group. (SB21-11-4), for lands described as Part Lots 11 & 12, Conc. 5 (Dereham), in the Township of South-West Oxford to facilitate the inclusion of an additional stormwater management block into the development.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Staff Reports (continued)

CL 44-2023: SWOX Housing Opportunities Committee Resolution: Oxford County draft Water/Wastewater Master Plan

Clerk Julie Middleton provided Council with a report to bring forward a recommendation from the SWOX Housing Opportunities Committees in relation the County of Oxford 2024 draft Water and Wastewater Master Plan.

Councillor Ypma commented on the discussion that the SWOX Housing Opportunities Committee had in relation to the draft water/wastewater master plan. He noted that the Committee's recommendation and comments centered around the desire to preserve quality agricultural land and focus future development within the only fully serviced village of the Township, being Mount Elgin. Councillor Gillis echoed Councillor Ypma's comments and the need to balance growth with the preservation of farmland. The Committee also noted that highest density development may only occur in fully serviced areas, and much of this would likely take place in surrounding urban areas. The Committee would only recommend expansion of servicing within other settlement areas in the Township should a crisis situation arise (i.e., failing septic systems and need to protect source water).

Resolution No. 11 Moved by Craig Gillis Seconded by Peter Ypma

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report CL 44-2023: SWOX Housing Opportunities Committee Resolution: Oxford County draft Water/Wastewater Master Plan as information:

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford support and endorse Oxford County's 2024 draft Water and Wastewater Master Plan as presented to meet the Township's future growth needs until 2046, which includes prioritizing future development within the Township's only current fully serviced village, Mount Elgin, unless servicing becomes critically required by another village.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CL 45-2023: Boundary Fence Agreement - Michael and Sacha Marie Branderhorst (Salford Community Centre)

Clerk Julie Middleton provided Council with a report to bring forward a request received from Michael and Sacha Marie Branderhorst to share the cost of a new chain-link (black) boundary fence between their property (rear property line) and the Salford Community Centre. Staff are proposing that the Township's 50% portion of the costs be funded through the Township's general reserve account.

Resolution No. 12 Moved by Paul Buchner Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report CL 45-2023: Boundary Fence Agreement - Michael and Sacha Maris Branderhorst as information:

AND FUTHER THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the boundary fence agreement attached to this report as Appendix 'A' to provide for the construction of a new fence to mark the boundary line between properties located at 383908 Salford Road (Salford Community Centre) and 313712 Dereham Line (rear property line).

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CL 46-2023: Addition of Reinspection Fees for Clean Yard and Property Standards Complaints/Follow Up

Clerk Julie Middleton provided Council with a report to bring forward a proposal for Council's consideration to amend the Township's Clean Yards and Property Standards By-laws to include a reinspection fee to be applied when enforcement staff are required to follow up on ongoing/unresolved by-law contraventions within the same calendar year. She advised Council that this is intended to provide more incentive towards voluntary compliance as opposed to proceeding by way of Court or remedial work done by the Township directly.

Resolution No. 13 Moved by Craig Gillis Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive report CL 46-2023: Addition of Reinspection Fees for Clean Yard and Property Standard Complaints/Follow Up as information;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve an amendment to Township of South-West Oxford By-law No. 48-2021 being a By-law to provide for the clearing of land of waste and derelict objects and requiring and regulating the filling up, draining, clearing and maintenance of land, as follows:

4.7 Where one notice has been sent in a calendar year under Section 3.2 of this By-law to enforce the provisions of this By-law, the MLEO/By-law Enforcement Officer may proceed to take action under this Section to remedy the continued default with no further notice to the property owner within the same calendar year. A re-inspection fee of \$150 shall be applied to the property where a notice has already been issued within the same calendar year outlining a specific offence and that property is found to continue to be in violation of the notice deadline.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve an amendment to Township of South-West Oxford By-law No. 45-2023 being a By-law to prescribe the standards for the maintenance of property within the Township of South-West Oxford, as follows:

6.6.2 Where any person fails to comply with an order, the Township may cause the required work to be done at the cost of the property owner. The cost of such work may be recovered by action, or by adding the costs associated with the work to the tax roll and collecting them in the same manner as property taxes. Any property owner that fails to comply with a confirmed Property Standards Order shall be required to pay a re-inspection fee for each subsequent inspection required to determine if the contravention of this By-law initially observed have been corrected. Where the contraventions have not been remedied by the time provided in the said Order, a fee of \$150 per inspection shall be applied to the property.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Discussion Items

None.

Agenda Items & Correspondence

#162 - County of Oxford - Amended and Approved Flag Policy

#163 - Letter of Opposition - Strong Mayor Powers - September 6th, 2023

#164 - Letter from Township's Integrity Commissioner, Gregory Stewart, re: Code of Conduct Complaint submitted by Debbie Kasman

#165 - LPRCA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of July 5, 2023

#166 - Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada Correspondence re: Canada Declares Gender-Based Violence an Epidemic

#167 - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Correspondence - Responding to the Housing Affordability Task Force's Recommendations

Resolution No. 14 Moved by Paul Buchner Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive agenda and correspondence items #162 to #167 inclusive as information and that they be noted and filed.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Accounts Payable Report

September 19th, 2023 - Accounts Payable Report

Resolution No. 15 Moved by Craig Gillis

Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the following Accounts be approved

for payment:

Accounts Payable for

August 27 to September \$546,820.52

16, 2023

Bi-Weekly Payroll #18 \$48,634.17

Total: \$595,454.69

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Information Items & Correspondence

#168 - Resolution of support Municipality of Wawa re: OHIP coverage for chronic pain treatments

#169 - Town of Grimsby Resolution re: Guaranteed Livable Income

Resolution No. 16 Moved by George Way

Seconded by Peter Ypma

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive information and correspondence items #168 and #169 as information

and that they be noted and filed.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

By-laws and Agreements

- By-Law No. 52-2023 To appoint a Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer (Brooke Crane and Mary Ellen Greb)
- By-Law No. 53-2023 To appoint members of the Township's Property Standards Committee
- By-Law No. 54-2023 To permanently stop up and close part of Kent Street (Culloden - sale to Erik Neumann and Jacob De Boer)

- By-Law No. 55-2023 To amend Township of South-West Oxford Bylaw No 48-2021 (Clean Yards By-law - re-inspection fee)
- By-Law No. 56-2023 To amend Township of South-West Oxford Bylaw No 45-2023 (Property Standards By-law - re-inspection)

Resolution No. 17 Moved by Paul Buchner Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that the following By-Laws be introduced and that they be read a first and second time:

- By-Law No. 52-2023 being a By-law to appoint a Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer (Brooke Crane and Mary Ellen Greb)
- By-Law No. 53-2023 being a By-law to appoint members of the Township's Property Standards Committee
- By-Law No. 54-2023 being a By-law to permanently stop up and close part of Kent Street (Culloden - sale to Erik Neumann and Jacob De Boer)
- By-Law No. 55-2023 being a By-law to amend Township of South-West Oxford By-law No 48-2021 (Clean Yards By-law - re-inspection fee)
- By-Law No. 56-2023 being a By-law to amend Township of South-West Oxford By-law No 45-2023 (Property Standards By-law - re-inspection)

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Resolution No. 18 Moved by Craig Gillis Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that By-Laws 52-2023 and 56-2023 inclusive be read a third time and finally passed, and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the By-Law and affix the corporate seal.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Committees

- Engage and Inform Committee Meeting Minutes of August 16th, 2023
- Environment and Energy Innovation Committee Meeting Minutes of August 9th, 2023
- SWOX Housing Opportunities Committee Meeting Minutes of June 6th, 2023

Resolution No. 19 Moved by George Way Seconded by Craig Gillis

RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford receive the following minutes as information:

- Engage and Inform Committee Meeting Minutes of August 16th, 2023
- Environment and Energy Innovation Committee Meeting Minutes of August 9th, 2023
- SWOX Housing Opportunities Committee Meeting Minutes of June 6th, 2023

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

New Business

Drainage on Queen St E. - Beachville

Councillor Gillis raised a drainage issue towards the northeast portion of Beachville along Queen St. E. Works Superintendent Adam Prouse and Drainage Superintendnet Daniel Leduc will meet to discuss and assess the matter.

Meeting at Railway on Zorra Line - Beachville

Councillor Gillis provided details of an on-site meeting that took place last week at the railway crossing at Zorra Line in Beachville. This railway crossing is in need of repair. Oxford MP Arpan Khanna was in attendance and he has committed to looking into the matter for the community to try to get some answers. Residents hope to see some resolution of this ongoing matter.

Council Round Table

Council members shared updates from their respective wards and community involvement. The last Beachville Museum car show of the summer took place this past Sunday – the events were a great success again this year and very well attended. The Museum Board is working on their 2024 budget. Positive attendance and reviews were received in response to the Museum's summer camp this year. Music in the Park in Folden took place last weekend which was very well attended and a great fundraiser for the hall board. The Conservation Authorities are working on 2024 draft budgets – they are experiencing financial pressure in relation to mandated programs. It is very difficult for them to get additional funding without using reserve funds. Council will consider a letter of support from Boralex in relation to the proposed

battery storage facility in South-West Oxford at their next meeting on October 3rd. The Open House was held on September 14th and was well attended.

Confirmatory By-law

By-Law No. 57-2023 - To confirm all actions and proceedings of Council (September 19th, 2023)

Resolution No. 20

Moved by Paul Buchner Seconded by George Way

RESOLVED that By-law 57-2023 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council held Tuesday, September 19th, 2023 be read a first, second and third time this 19th day of September, 2023.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the By-law and affix the corporate seal.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Adjournment

Resolution No. 21 Moved by Craig Gillis Seconded by Peter Ypma

RESOLVED that there being no further business, the Council meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, October 3rd, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CLERK: Julie Middleton MAYOR: David Mayberry

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