

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
VIRTUAL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Council was held virtually on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 following Committee of the Whole and was livestreamed to the public on the Township of Essa's YouTube Channel.

In attendance: Mayor Sandie Macdonald
Deputy Mayor, Michael Smith
Councillor Pieter Kiezebrink
Councillor Henry Sander
Councillor Ron Henderson

Staff in attendance: C. Healey-Dowdall, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Traynor, Manager of Finance
R. Rosilius, Deputy Treasurer
A. Powell, Manager of Planning and Development
M. Mikael, Manager of Public Works
J. Coleman, Manager of Parks and Recreation
K. Pascoe, Deputy Clerk
L. Lehr, Manager of Legislative Services

Guests: Paula Lombardi, Municipal Solicitor

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Macdonald opened the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

Resolution No: CR208-2021 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Kiezebrink

*Be it resolved that the motions duly passed and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting of this date be approved; and
That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Council meetings held on the 20th day of October, 2021 be adopted as circulated.*

----Carried-----

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No: CR209-2021 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated November 3, 2021 be received for information; and

That Item A11 be referred to Section C for a future report to be brought forward for Council's consideration, of which will outline options available to provide residents with access to a safe crossing over the river.

----Carried-----

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Essa Public Library Board

Resolution No: CR210-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Essa Public Library Board for their meeting held on September 27, 2021 be received.

----Carried-----

b. Healthy Community Committee

Resolution No: CR211-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Healthy Community Committee for their meeting held on October 21, 2021 be received.

----Carried-----

6. PETITIONS

7. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women – November 25th.

Resolution No: CR212-2021 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Smith

*WHEREAS violence continues to be the greatest gender inequality rights issue for women, girls and gender-diverse individuals; and
WHEREAS November is Woman Abuse Prevention Month; and
WHEREAS Gender-based violence is a human right issue which our community must work together to prevent and address through public awareness and education; and
WHEREAS 1 in 3 women will experience gender-based violence in their lifetime, and these numbers increase exponentially for Black, Indigenous and Women of Colour; and
WHEREAS the COVID-19 Pandemic has increased barriers to support, and services for, survivors of gender-based violence and their children; and
WHEREAS last year in Ontario, every 13 days a woman or child was killed by a man known to them, with the majority being their current or former intimate partner; and
WHEREAS this month and throughout the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, we acknowledge our community's support of the "Wrapped in Courage" campaign and commitment to ending gender-based violence; and
WHEREAS on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, on November 25th, a "Wrapped in Courage" 2021 campaign flag will be raised in recognition that the courage of a woman alone is not enough; it takes an entire community to end gender-based violence;*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Essa hereby proclaims that November 25th, 2021 shall be known as "International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women", and urge all citizens to recognize this day by taking action to support survivors of gender-based violence and becoming part of Ontario-wide efforts to end gender-based violence.

----Carried-----

b. Council Donation – Santa Claus Parade and Tree Lighting Committee

Resolution No: CR213-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

Be it resolved that Council approve a donation to the Santa Claus Parade and Tree Lighting Committee in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be used towards the purchase of a Community Christmas Legacy Tree in Angus, the tree of which will be used annually for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in Angus; and That the funds be withdrawn from the 2021 Community Donations G/L 02-16-400-514-6300.

----Carried-----

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. BY-LAWS

a. By-law 2021-47

Resolution No: CR214-2021 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2021-47, that being a By-law to authorize the execution of the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Township of Essa; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

----Carried-----

10. QUESTIONS

11. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No: CR215-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

Be it resolved that Council proceed to a Closed Session in order to address matters pertaining to:

- *Acquisition or Disposition of Land [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(c)]*
- *Litigation or Potential Litigation [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(e)]*
- *Plans and Instructions for Negotiations [Municipal Act, s.239(2)(k)]*
- *Personal Matters About an Identifiable Individual [Municipal Act, s.239(2)(b)]*

----Carried-----

Note: Livestream does not run during Closed Session Deliberations.

Council proceeded into Closed Session Deliberations at 6:34 p.m.

Motion to Rise and Report from Closed Session Meeting of November 3, 2021.

Resolution No: CR216-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Kiezebrink

Be it resolved that Council rise and report from the Closed Session Meeting at 8:02 p.m.

----Carried-----

- a. **ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF LAND [s. 239(2)(c)]**
Confidential Staff Report CAO049-21 submitted by the Chief
Administrative Officer, re: Potential Acquisition of Land.

Resolution No: CR217-2021 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that Confidential Staff Report CAO049-21 be received; and
That Council authorize staff to proceed in accordance with Option 5 as contained
within this report.*

----Carried-----

- b. **LITIGATION OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION [s. 239(2)(e)]**
Confidential Staff Report CAO050-21 submitted by the Chief Administrative
Officer, re: Litigation.

Resolution No: CR218-2021 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that Confidential Staff Report CAO050-21 be received; and
That Council authorize staff to proceed in accordance with Option 2 as contained
within this report.*

----Carried-----

- c. **PLANS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEGOTIATIONS [s.239(2)(k)]**
PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL [s.239(2)(b)]
Confidential Staff Report CAO052-21 submitted by the Chief Administrative
Officer, re: Staffing.

Resolution No: CR219-2021 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that Confidential Staff Report CAO052-21 be received; and
That Council authorize staff to proceed in accordance with Option 3 as contained
within this Report.*

----Carried-----

12. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

By-law 2021-48

Resolution No: CR220-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Kiezebrink

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2021-48, that being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this 3rd day of November, 2021; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

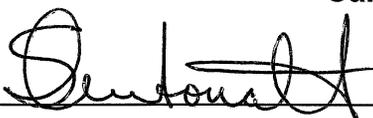
----Carried-----

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: CR221-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Kiezebrink

Be it resolved that this meeting of Committee of the Whole of the Township of Essa adjourn at _____ p.m. to meet again on the 17th day of November, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

----Carried-----



Sandie Macdonald, Mayor



per,

Lisa Lehr, Manager of Legislative Services