

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
VIRTUAL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021**

MINUTES

A Meeting of Council was held virtually on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 following Committee of the Whole and was livestreamed for viewing to the public on the Township of Essa's YouTube Channel.

In attendance: Mayor Sandie Macdonald (electronic)
Deputy Mayor, Michael Smith (electronic)
Councillor Keith White (electronic)
Councillor Henry Sander (electronic)
Councillor Ron Henderson (electronic)

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

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Macdonald opened the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

Resolution No: CR053-2021 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Henderson

*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 3rd day of March, 2021 be adopted as circulated.*

----Carried----

4. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Items Received as Information

Resolution No: CR054-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: White

Be it resolved that the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated March 24, 2021 be received for information, and that Items A6 and A7 be moved to section B of the Consent Agenda for letters of support to be drafted.

----Carried----

b. Items Received and Referred to Service Area for Action

**1. Correspondence dated March 11, 2021 from the Ministry of Solicitor General,
re: Fire Safety Grant Announcement**

Resolution No: CR055-2021 Moved by: Henderson Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that the correspondence dated March 11, 2021 from the Ministry of Solicitor General regarding the Fire Safety Grant Announcement be received; and
That the Fire Chief be authorized to accept the grant in the amount of \$9,800.00, to assist in addressing challenges associated with training and virtual inspections due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.*

----Carried-----

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Angus BIA Board of Management

Resolution No: CR056-2021 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Sander

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Angus BIA Board of Management from their meeting of September 30, 2020 be received.

----Carried-----

b. Traffic Advisory Committee

Resolution No: CR057-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Henderson

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee from their meeting of March 2, 2021 be received.

----Carried-----

6. PETITIONS

7. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. Angus Farmers' Market – Municipally Significant Event

Resolution No: CR058-2021 Moved by: White Seconded by: Henderson

*WHEREAS the Angus Farmers' Market Committee was formed in 2016 as a branch under the umbrella of the Edible Essa Committee established by the Essa Public Library; and
WHEREAS the Angus Farmers' Market Committee has successfully organized the Angus Farmers' Market events which have grown substantially in numbers, originally hosting three events in 2016, five events in 2017, seven events in 2018, eight events in 2019, and 9 events being planned for 2021; and*

WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Essa recognizes that the Angus Farmers' Market itself is a benefit to the community as a whole, deeming it to be a municipally significant event;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT due to the significance of the Angus Farmers' Market and the impact that the events have on the residents and communities within Essa Township, Council authorize staff to ensure that this event is covered under the Township's liability insurance as a municipally sponsored event.

----Carried-----

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. BY-LAWS

10. QUESTIONS

11. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No: CR059-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: White

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

- *Personal Matters about Identifiable Individuals [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(b)]*
- *Acquisition or Disposition of Land [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(c)]*
- *Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(d)]*
- *Litigation or Potential Litigation [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(e)]; and*
- *Advice subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege [Municipal Act 2001, s.239(2)(f)].*

----Carried----

Council proceeded into Closed Session Deliberations at 6:48 p.m.

Council rose from Closed Session Deliberations and passed the following in the public forum:

Motion to Rise and Report from Closed Session Meeting of March 24, 2021.

Resolution No: CR060-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: White

Be it resolved that Council rise and report from the Closed Session Meeting at 8:04 p.m.

----Carried----

- a. POTENTIAL LITIGATION [s. 239(2)(e)]
ADVICE SUBJECT TO SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE [s.239(2)(f)]
Confidential Staff Report PW002-21 submitted by the Manager of Public Works, re:
Baxter Mandatory Water Connection Fee.**

Resolution No: CR061-2021 Moved by: Henderson Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that the Confidential Staff Report PW002-21 be received; and
That Council authorize Staff to proceed with Option No. 5 as identified in this Confidential Report; and
That Council authorize Staff to proceed with Option No. 6 as identified in this Confidential Report; and
That Council authorize Staff to proceed with Option No. 7 as identified in this Confidential Report.*

----Carried----

- b. PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL [s.239(2)(b)]
EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS [s.239(2)(d)]
Confidential Staff Report PW005-21 submitted by the Manager of Public
Works, re: Survey / GIS Technician.**

Resolution No: CR062-2021 Moved by: White Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that Confidential Staff Report PW005-21 be received; and
That Council authorize Staff to proceed with Option No. 2 as identified in this Confidential
Report.*

----Carried----

- c. LAND ACQUISITION/DISPITION [s.239(2)(c)]
Confidential Staff Report PW006-21 submitted by the Manager of Public
Works, re: County Road 21 / County Road 56 Roundabout.**

Resolution No: CR063-2021 Moved by: White Seconded by: Henderson

*Be it resolved that Confidential Staff Report PW006-21 be received; and
That Council authorize Staff to proceed with Option No. 1 as identified in this Confidential
Staff Report; and
That Council authorize Staff to proceed with Option No. 2 as identified in this Confidential
Staff Report.*

----Carried----

- d. PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL [s.239(2)(b)]
POTENTIAL LITIGATION [s. 239(2)(e)]
Confidential Staff Report CAO010-21 submitted by the Chief Administrative
Officer, re: HRTO File 2020-40422-I.**

Resolution No: CR064-2021 Moved by: White Seconded by: Sander

*Be it resolved that the Confidential Staff Report CAO010-21 be received; and
That the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to proceed as directed by Council.*

----Carried----

- e. PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL [s.239(2)(b)]
POTENTIAL LITIGATION [s. 239(2)(e)]
Confidential Staff Report CAO012-21 submitted by the Chief Administrative
Officer, re: Notice of Application to the Normal Farm Practices Protection Board.**

Resolution No: CR065-2021 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: White

*Be it resolved that the Confidential Staff Report CAO012-21 be received; and
That the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to proceed with Option No. 1 as
identified in this Confidential Staff Report.*

----Carried----

- f. **IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUALS [s. 239(2)(b)]
SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE [s. 239(2)(f)]
Update from the Chief Administrative Officer, re: CAO008-21 Thornton Union
Cemetery Future Ownership.**

Resolution No: CR066-2021 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Sander

Be it resolved that the update from the Chief Administrative Officer concerning Confidential Staff Report CAO008-21 be received; and That Council accept the resolution as passed by the Thornton Union Cemetery Board, of which expresses their desire to abandon and terminate their license for the operation of the Thornton Union Cemetery.

----Carried----

12. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

By-law 2021-11

Resolution No: CR067-2021 Moved by: Henderson Seconded by: Smith

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2021-11, that being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on this 24th day of March, 2021; and that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

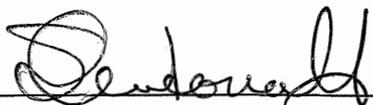
----Carried----

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: CR068-2021 Moved by: Henderson Seconded by: Smith

Be it resolved that this meeting of Council adjourn at 8:08 p.m. to meet again on the 7th day of April, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

----Carried----



Sandie Macdonald, Mayor



Lisa Lehr, Manager of Legislative Services