



Corporation of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry

REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

September 16, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Council Chambers, Suite 321, 26 Pitt Street, Cornwall

Members Present: Warden J. MacDonald, Councillors T. Bergeron, J. Broad, S. Densham, T. Fraser, F. Landry, M. Lang, J. MacIsaac, L. McDonald, B. McGillis, C. Williams

Staff Present: CAO Adams, Director Casselman, Director de Haan, Director Luck, Director Russell, Director St-Onge, Director Young, Manager Jans, Manager McMillan, Communications Coordinator Lihou

1. Call Meeting to Order by Resolution

Resolution No. 2024-135

Moved by Councillor Densham

Seconded by Councillor Landry

THAT the meeting of the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry be hereby called to order.

CARRIED

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. 2024-136

Moved by Councillor Landry

Seconded by Councillor McGillis

THAT Council approve the agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

The agenda was amended by adding an item under Miscellaneous Business related to safety measures along County Road 2.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 August 26, 2024

Resolution No. 2024-137

Moved by Councillor McGillis

Seconded by Councillor Densham

THAT the minutes of the meeting, including the in-camera minutes, of the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, held August 26, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Delegations

5.1 Annual Staff Recognition Ceremony

The annual staff recognition ceremony was conducted by CAO Adams. The following staff members were recognized:

Customer Service Award: Cory Hagen, Philip Duncan

Innovation, Sustainability and Leadership Award: Jeff Anderson

Safety Smart Award: Kyle Wheeler

Long Services Awards: Christine Denis (25 years), Steve Perkins (20 years), Ben de Haan (15 years), Randy Picher (15 years), Colleen Cracknell (15 years), Trevor Baker (10 years), Stephen Lalonde (10 years), Iris Clark (10 years), Jennifer Harper (10 years)

Retirement Presentation: Peter Valade, Karen McDonell

6. Action Requests

6.1 Corporate Services

6.2 Financial Services

6.3 Transportation

a. Resolution of Support – Blue Box Regulation for Ineligible Sources

Resolution No. 2024-138

Moved by Councillor Densham

Seconded by Councillor McGillis

THAT the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry supports Township of North Glengarry Resolution No. 7 requesting the province of Ontario to amend the blue box regulation for ineligible sources; and

THAT a copy of this resolution of support be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, the Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Nolan Quin, MPP Stéphane Sarrazin, and local SDG municipalities.

CARRIED

6.4 Planning

6.5 Court Services

6.6 County Library

6.7 IT Services

7. Tenders and Quotations

8. By-laws

8.1 Appointing Auditors

Resolution No. 2024-139

Moved by Councillor McGillis

Seconded by Councillor Landry

THAT the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry accept the proposal from MNP LLP for external audit services; and

THAT By-law No. 5466, being a by-law to appoint MNP LLP as the municipal auditors for the years 2024 to 2028 inclusive, be read and passed in Open Council, signed and sealed.

CARRIED

9. Consent Agenda

Resolution No. 2024-140

Moved by Councillor MacIsaac

Seconded by Councillor Densham

THAT all items listed under the Consent Agenda section of the agenda be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

9.1 Monthly Financial Summary

9.2 SDG Library Services Report

9.3 September 2024 Update - Roads

9.4 September 2024 Update - Bridges

9.5 EOWC Newsletter re: AMO Conference

9.6 EOWC Newsletter re: Solve the Crisis Campaign

9.7 EOWC Joint Letter re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review

10. Boards and Committees

Council members provided various board and committee updates.

11. Key Information

11.1 Administrative Update - September

CAO Adams provided an administrative update which included information on key dates and ongoing recruitments.

12. Motions and Notices of Motions

13. Petitions

14. Miscellaneous Business

Councillor McGillis spoke to the recent tragic accident along County Road 2. He stated there was currently an online petition being circulated surrounding the installation of a recreational path along County Road 2 between Ingleside and Long Sault. He spoke to the land being owned by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission and private landowners.

Councillor McGillis stated that the Township of South Stormont had no jurisdiction for this project, however they had reached out to counterparts at SDG Counties and the province with a goal to advocate for serious consideration of options moving forward to improve safety in this area. He added that a meeting was taking place in the next day with the SDG Counties Transportation Department and the South Stormont Public Works Department to demonstrate support for a safer path in this area and to discuss short and long-term goals to improve safety.

Director de Haan stated that he expected this would be the first of many meetings to look at opportunities to improve safety in this area.

15. Unfinished Business Summary

16. Closed Session

Resolution No. 2024-141

Moved by Councillor Fraser

Seconded by Councillor Maclsaac

THAT Council proceed in-camera pursuant to Section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* – litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board for an Official Plan Appeal matter; and

Pursuant to Section 239(2)(c) – a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality or local board for a Purchase & Sale matter.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2024-142

Moved by Councillor Landry

Seconded by Councillor Broad

THAT Council rise and reconvene in Open Session without reporting.

CARRIED

17. Ratification By-law

Resolution No. 2024-143

Moved by Councillor Densham

Seconded by Councillor Fraser

THAT By-Law No. 5467, being a by-law to adopt, confirm and ratify matters dealt with by resolution, be read and passed in Open Council, signed and sealed.

CARRIED

18. Adjournment by Resolution

Resolution No. 2024-144

Moved by Councillor Broad

Seconded by Councillor Landry

THAT Council adjourn to the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

Warden

Clerk