

# Municipality of Lakeshore

## Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 9, 2024, 5:30 PM

Council Chambers, 419 Notre Dame Street, Belle River



Members Present: Mayor Tracey Bailey, Deputy Mayor Kirk Walstedt, Councillor Ryan McNamara, Councillor Paddy Byrne, Councillor Kelsey Santarossa, Councillor John Kerr, Councillor Ian Ruston, Councillor Larissa Vogler

Staff Present: Interim Chief Administrative Officer - Chief Financial Officer Justin Rousseau, Corporate Leader - Community Health and Safety Frank Jeney, Corporate Leader - Growth and Sustainability Tammie Ryall, Corporate Leader - Operations Krystal Kalbol, Acting Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Chief Financial Officer Kate Rowe, Chief Workforce Development Officer Lisa Granger, Division Leader - Communications and Engagement Alex Denonville, Division Leader - Economic and Intergovernmental Affairs Ryan Donally, Division Leader - Legal Services Zachary Knox, Division Leader - Legislative Services Brianna Coughlin, Division Leader - Water Management Jason Barlow, Team Leader - Legislative Services Cindy Lanoue, Team Leader - Community Planning Urvi Prajapati, IT Technical Analyst Simon Barno, Financial Analyst Mathew Orosz

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### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Bailey called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM in Council Chambers.

### 2. Closed Session

**241-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Ruston

**Seconded By** Councillor McNamara

Council move into closed session in Council Chambers at 5:31 PM in accordance with:

- a. Paragraph 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* for the purpose of discussing personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees relating to municipal service delivery.

**Carried Unanimously**

Council returned to open session at 6:07 PM and Mayor Bailey called a recess at this time.

Mayor Bailey reconvened the meeting at 6:17 PM.

3. **Singing of O Canada**
4. **Land Acknowledgement**
5. **Moment of Reflection**
6. **Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**
7. **Recognitions**

1. **Members of the former Lakeshore Police Services Board**

Council recognized the members of the former Lakeshore Police Services Board, including members Julie Johnston and John Quennell who were present at the meeting.

8. **Announcements by Mayor**
9. **Public Meetings under the Planning Act**
10. **Public Presentations**

1. **Essex Region Conservation Authority Source Water Protection Committee - 2023 Annual Report**

Dr. Stammer and Chair Fuerth provided a PowerPoint presentation as overview of the 2023 Annual Report.

**242-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor McNamara

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt

Direct Mayor Bailey to send a letter to the County of Essex, Ministry of Environment, OMAFRA, and local Member of Parliament and Member of Provincial Parliament noting Council's concern relating to the water quality data findings relating to the Leamington tributaries and Ruscom River area.

**Carried Unanimously**

11. **Delegations**
12. **Completion of Unfinished Business**

**13. Approval of Minutes****243-07-2024****Moved By** Councillor Vogler**Seconded By** Councillor Byrne

Approve minutes of the previous meetings as listed on the Consent Agenda.

1. June 18, 2024 Special Council Meeting Minutes
2. June 25, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

**Carried Unanimously****14. Consent Agenda****244-07-2024****Moved By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt**Seconded By** Councillor Vogler

Receive the items as listed on the Consent Agenda.

1. Source Water Protection 2023 Annual Reports
2. Changes to the Planning Act under Bill 134, Bill 185, and Bill 200 and the Affordable Housing Bulletin
3. Petition - Wallace Line Parkette

**Carried Unanimously****15. Reports for Direction****1. OPP Detachment Board - Budget****245-07-2024****Moved By** Councillor Santarossa**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt

Approve the proposed budget for the balance of 2024 for the Essex County OPP Detachment Board #1, as presented at the July 9, 2024 Council meeting;

Direct Administration to send a copy of the approved resolution of Council to the Town of Essex and the Town of Tecumseh; and

Upon approval of all three member municipalities of the Essex County OPP Detachment Board #1, the budget for the balance of 2024 be implemented by the administering municipality, being the Town of Tecumseh.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 2. **Lakeview Pier Development Project – Expression of Interest**

**246-07-2024**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt

**Seconded By** Councillor McNamara

Direct Administration to circulate the Expression of Interest for the Lakeview Pier Development Project, as presented at the July 9, 2024 Council meeting, with the following amendments:

- removal of language relating to any potential for sale of the property; and
- inclusions to allow for proposed hotel space, four-season uses and non-exclusive submissions.

In Favour (7): Mayor Bailey, Deputy Mayor Walstedt, Councillor McNamara, Councillor Byrne, Councillor Santarossa, Councillor Ruston, and Councillor Vogler

Opposed (1): Councillor Kerr

**Carried**

## 16. **Notices of Motion**

### 1. **Councillor Kerr - Additional By-law Compliance Officer Shifts**

**247-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Kerr

**Seconded By** Councillor Vogler

Direct Administration to bring back a report on adding evening and weekend By-law Compliance Officer(s). Have included in the report what a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday noon to midnight (3 x 12 hr shifts) from possibly May 1st to November 1st could look like; and that the report be brought back prior to the 2025 Budget deliberations.

In Favour (7): Mayor Bailey, Deputy Mayor Walstedt, Councillor McNamara, Councillor Byrne, Councillor Santarossa, Councillor Kerr, and Councillor Vogler

Opposed (1): Councillor Ruston

**Carried**

## 2. Councillor Santarossa - By-law Enforcement Training

**248-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Santarossa

**Seconded By** Councillor McNamara

Direct Administration to prepare a report and accompanying Council training session related to bylaw enforcement ahead of 2025 budget deliberations;

And further, direct Administration to include:

- Lakeshore's current model and practice of reactive enforcement, including OPP services; and
- Key challenges, benefits, and complaint/call volumes under the current model; and
- Options for bylaw service enhancement in alignment with best practices and demonstrated needs.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 3. Councillor Vogler - Recreational Vehicle Parking on Properties Abutting Canals

**249-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Vogler

**Seconded By** Mayor Bailey

Whereas zoning bylaw 2-2012, Section 6.46 states:

"Recreational Vehicle and Utility Trailer Storage In any Residential zone, the owner or occupant of any lot may store, in any rear or side yard behind or beside the dwelling, a maximum of two (2) recreational vehicles or two (2) utility trailers or a combination of one (1) recreational vehicle and one (1) utility trailer, provided that they are the owner of such recreational vehicles or utility trailers. For clarity, the storage of recreational vehicles and utility trailers is prohibited in any front yard of any Residential zone.

For the purposes of this section, the temporary keeping of recreational vehicles and utility trailers for loading and unloading in a driveway for up to fourteen (14) days in the given calendar year shall not be considered storage.

Notwithstanding the above, the storage of any recreational vehicle and utility trailer may be permitted within the front yard on a lot

abutting Lake St. Clair, Puce River, Ruscom River and Belle River, provided it is not located within the front yard setback.

Notwithstanding the above, where an existing lot abutting the water is bisected by a street, the storage of any recreational vehicle may be permitted on the lot abutting the water."

And whereas waterfront properties abutting canals are zoned "RW2 Lake St. Clair" and are therefore held to the same standards and requirements as those abutting Lake St. Clair with regards to set-backs and other property standards.

And whereas septic systems are not permitted on the waterfront side of properties abutting canals, thus limiting rear yard space.

And whereas maintaining "waterfront character" is a priority of the Municipality of Lakeshore.

And whereas residents whose properties abut canals enjoy the same lifestyle as those abutting Lake St. Clair, Puce River, Ruscom River and Belle River with regards to boats and on-site docks.

Therefore, direct Administration to bring forward a proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law 2-2012 to permit the storage of any recreational vehicle and utility trailer within the front yard on a lot abutting a canal, provided it is not located within the front yard setback.

**Carried Unanimously**

**17. Reports from County Council Representatives**

**18. Report from Closed Session**

**19. Consideration of By-laws**

**250-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Vogler

**Seconded By** Councillor McNamara

By-law 76-2024 be read and passed in open session on July 9, 2024.

**Carried Unanimously**

**1. By-law 76-2024, Being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the June 18 and June 25, 2024 Council Meetings**

**20. Non-Agenda Business**

**21. Addendum**

**251-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Santarossa

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt

Move into Committee of the Whole at 7:55 PM.

**Carried Unanimously**

**22. Committee of the Whole**

Mayor Bailey called a recess at 7:56 PM and reconvened the meeting at 8:04 PM.

**1. 2024 Town Hall Renovation and Implementation Plan (deferred from June 25, 2024 Council Meeting)**

The Interim Chief Administrative Officer provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding a draft seating plan with temporary and post-renovation considerations.

**252-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor McNamara

**Seconded By** Councillor Byrne

Extend the meeting past 9:30 PM.

In Favour (7): Mayor Bailey, Deputy Mayor Walstedt, Councillor McNamara, Councillor Byrne, Councillor Santarossa, Councillor Ruston, and Councillor Vogler

Opposed (1): Councillor Kerr

**Carried**

**253-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Santarossa

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt

Move out of Committee of the Whole at 9:22 PM.

**Carried Unanimously**

**254-07-2024**

**Moved By** Councillor Santarossa

**Seconded By** Councillor McNamara

Defer consideration of the Outcomes of the 2023 Workspace Assessment, to come forward at the same meeting as the follow-up report regarding Town Hall renovation implementation.

**Carried Unanimously**

**23. Adjournment**

**255-07-2024**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Walstedt

**Seconded By** Councillor McNamara

Adjourn the meeting at 9:25 PM.

**Carried Unanimously**

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Tracey Bailey  
Mayor

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Brianna Coughlin  
Clerk