



Corporation of the Town of Shelburne

Council Minutes

January 13, 2025
6:30 pm
Council Chambers
203 Main St. E, Shelburne

**Members in
attendance:**

Mayor Wade Mills

Deputy Mayor Shane Hall
Councillor Kyle Fegan
Councillor Len Guchardi
Councillor Dan Sample
Councillor Lindsay Wegener

Members Absent

Councillor Walter Benotto

Staff attending:

Denyse Morrissey, CAO
Carey Holmes, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer
Jennifer Willoughby, Director of Legislative
Services/Clerk
Jim Moss, Director of Development and Operations
Alice Byl, Deputy Clerk/Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Council meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Mills

Canadian National Anthem

Land Acknowledgement:

We would like to begin by respectfully acknowledging that the Town of Shelburne resides within the traditional territory and ancestral lands of

the Anishinaabe, including the Ojibway, Potawatomi, Chippewa and the People of the Three Fires Confederacy.

These traditional territories upon which we live, work, play and learn are steeped in rich Indigenous history and traditions. It is with this statement that we declare to honour and respect the past and present connection of Indigenous peoples with this land, its waterways and resources.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

No disclosures.

3. Adoption of Minutes

1. Minutes from the December 9, 2024 Regular Council meeting

Motion # 2025-01

Moved By Councillor Sample

Seconded By Councillor Guchardi

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the Regular Council meeting held December 9, 2024 be approved as presented and circulated.

CARRIED, W. Mills

4. Public Participation

1. Public Question Period
No questions.
2. Presentations
3. Deputations on Agenda Items

5. Council Inquiries

Councillor Sample questioned the issuing of parking tickets from December 27, 2024 from 12:01 am to 8:00am.

Council voted unanimously to reconsider Motion #5 from November 4, 2024.

Motion # 2025-02

Moved By Councillor Sample

Seconded By Councillor Wegener

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council reconsider Motion #5 from November 4, 2024 - "be it resolved that Council receives report LS2024-07 for information; and that Council grants relief to traffic bylaw #8-1983, as amended by bylaw #25-2012 to permit on-street parking for December 24, 25, 26 and 31, 2024".

CARRIED, W. Mills

Motion # 2025-03

Moved By Councillor Sample

Seconded By Councillor Wegener

BE IT RESOLVED THAT motion #5 from November 4, 2024 be amended to include December 27, 2024 from 12:01 am to 8:00 am for vehicles parked on the road and in municipal lots;

AND THAT any parking tickets issued for on street parking and within municipal lots for that timeframe be voided.

CARRIED, W. Mills

6. Motions and By-law for Decision

1. Consideration of Items – all reports and By-laws in this section will be voted on separately
 1. Verbal Update from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Town of Shelburne delegation regarding a Truck ByPass/Truck Route to Ministry of Transportation at ROMA Conference, January 20, 2025, Toronto

The Chief Administrative Officer and the Mayor updated Council on the Town of Shelburne's delegation regarding a

truck bypass/truck route to the Minister of Transportation at the ROMA Conference on January 20, 2025.

Motion # 2025-04

Moved By Councillor Guchardi

Seconded By Councillor Sample

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the verbal update from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Town of Shelburne delegation regarding a Truck ByPass/Truck Route to Ministry of Transportation at ROMA Conference, January 20, 2025, Toronto be received as information.

CARRIED, W. Mills

2. Report FS2025-01 from the Director of Financial Services/Treasurer regarding Tax Collection Policy Amendment

The Director of Financial Services/Treasurer presented her report to Council.

Motion # 2025-05

Moved By Councillor Fegan

Seconded By Councillor Sample

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Shelburne receives the staff report FS 2025-01 with respect to the Tax Collection Policy Amendment;

AND THAT Council approves the suggested policy amendments as recommended.

CARRIED, W. Mills

3. By-law 01-2025 is ready for Council's consideration being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of \$12,348,936.00.

The Director of Financial Services/Treasurer presented the by-law to Council.

Motion # 2025-06

Moved By Deputy Mayor Hall
Seconded By Councillor Guchardi

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given for the reading and enacting of By-law #01-2025 being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of \$12,348,936.00.

CARRIED, W. Mills

4. By-law 02-2025 is ready for Council's consideration Being a by-law to authorize the Town of Shelburne to enter into an agreement with His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of the Solicitor General

The Director of Financial Services/Treasurer presented the by-law to Council.

Motion # 2025-07

Moved By Deputy Mayor Hall
Seconded By Councillor Sample

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given for the reading and enacting of By-law #02-2025 being a by-law to authorize the Town of Shelburne to enter into an agreement with His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

CARRIED, W. Mills

5. Dufferin County Canadian Black Association Black History Month Flag Raising - Requested December 19, 2024

The flag raising is requested for Monday, February 3, 2025 at 9:30 am

Motion # 2025-08

Moved By Councillor Guchardi
Seconded By Councillor Wegener

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the flag raising request from the Dufferin County Canadian Black Association as information.

CARRIED, W. Mills

7. Councillor Motions (Notice of Motion)

1. Councillor Wegener - Notice of Motion

Council voted unanimously to consider the Notice of Motion immediately.

Motion # 2025-09

Moved By Councillor Wegener

Seconded By Councillor Sample

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved that Shelburne Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding;
2. Be It Further Resolved that Shelburne Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

CARRIED, W. Mills

8. Communications

1. Correspondence from the Solicitor General - Michael Kerzner regarding OPP Municipal Policing 2025 Annual Billing Statement
2. Correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Office of the Minister Hon. Paul Calandra regarding Municipal Accountability Act 2024
3. Correspondence from the Township of Melancthon regarding Dufferin County Multi-Jurisdictional Fire Prevention and Protection Modernization Plan
4. Correspondence from the Township of East Garafraxa regarding Dufferin County Multi-Jurisdictional Fire Prevention and Protection Modernization Plan
5. Correspondence from the Town of Orangeville regarding Dufferin County Multi-Jurisdictional Fire Prevention and Protection Modernization Plan
6. Correspondence from the Shelburne Hamper Program - Thank You Note
7. Correspondence from resident TJ Stevens regarding destroying our town

Council discussed the challenges with development in the Town of Shelburne.
8. Shelburne and District Fire Department Board of Management Minutes
 - November 5, 2024
 - December 3, 2024
9. Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex Board of Management Minutes
 - July 24, 2024
 - September 6, 2024
 - October 23, 2024
10. Association of Municipalities of Ontario Policy Updates
 - Gender-Based Violence Toolkit

- Pre-Budget Submission, Advocacy on Water, Recent Bills and Building Officials
- Homelessness Encampments Legislation
- Municipal Codes of Conduct Legislation
- Pre-Budget Key Messages for Use at ROMA Delegations, Conservation Authority Fees, Energy Supply and Distribution Plans, Environmental Bill

Motion # 2025-10

Moved By Councillor Fegan

Seconded By Councillor Guchardi

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the items listed under communications for information.

CARRIED, W. Mills

9. Closed Session (if required)

10. Confirming By-law

1. Confirming By-law #03-2025 - January 13, 2025

Motion # 2025-11

Moved By Councillor Wegener

Seconded By Councillor Fegan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given for the reading and enacting of By-law 03-2025 being a By-law to confirm certain proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Shelburne for its regular council meeting held January 13, 2025

CARRIED, W. Mills

11. Adjourn

Motion # 2025-12

Moved By Councillor Sample

Seconded By Councillor Fegan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn to meet at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED, W. Mills

Council meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm

Mayor

Clerk