

Township of Clearview Council Meeting Minutes

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Clearview met in a hybrid in-person (Council Chambers, 217 Gideon Street) and virtual zoom session on May 12th, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

Mayor: Douglas Measures

Deputy Mayor: Paul Van Staveren

Councillors: Ward 1 – Councillor Phyllis Dineen
Ward 2 – Councillor Robert McArthur
Ward 3 – Councillor John Broderick
Ward 4 – Councillor Robert Walker
Ward 5 – Councillor Marty Beelen

Staff: CAO, John Ferguson
Clerk/Director of Legislative Services, Sasha Helmkey
Director of Planning & Building, Amy Cann
Director of Parks and Recreation, Terry Vachon
Director of Finance/Treasurer, Kelly McDonald
Director of Human Resources, Tammy Gill
Director of Public Works, Dan Perreault
Fire Chief, Scott Davison
Deputy Clerk, Krista Pascoe
Legislative Coordinator - Records Management, Emma Coleman
Manager of Engineering, Patti Kennedy
Manager of Parks & Recreation, Amanda Murray
Youth Centre Coordinator, Courtney Rogers
Events & Tourism Coordinator, Grace Beaman
Community Economic Development Officer, Briar Kelly

1. Closed Session

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with s. 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001:

(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

Topic(s) for Discussion: Nottawa Memorial Community Centre Board Appointment

(2) (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Topic(s) for Discussion: Klondike Park Road Well Site, Reservoir & Pumping Station Project and Nottawa Servicing. Motion Carried.

Mayor Measures began the regular meeting by reading the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda (5:30 p.m.)

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor McArthur, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the Agenda dated May 12, 2025, as presented. Motion Carried.

3. Declarations of Interest

None.

4. Public Participation

None.

5. Delegations and Presentations

5.1 Tomorrow is Built Today – CGMH Strategic Plan and CGMH Foundation Fundraising Campaign Presentation

Michael Lacroix and Jory Pritchard-Kerr, CGMH representatives provided a brief presentation on the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital including current statistics, its foundational commitments, plans for the new hospital build including increased services and the Foundation's capital campaign to raise over \$100 million dollars.

Mayor Measures thanked Mr. Lacroix and Ms. Pritchard-Kerr for their presentation and congratulated Ms. Pritchard-Kerr on her upcoming retirement.

6. Public Meetings

No items.

7. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the Minutes of the April 28, 2025, Council Meeting and the April 30, 2025, Special Council Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

8. Correspondence and Information Items

8.1 Closed Session Report

Nottawa Memorial Community Centre Board Appointment

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby accepts the resignation of Michelle Woods as a member of the Nottawa Memorial Community Centre Board; and,

That Council appoints Ellen Oelbaum to the Nottawa Memorial Community Centre Board; and,

That Council directs staff to amend Appointment By-law 22-101, to add this appointment. Motion Carried.

Klondike Park Road Well Site, Reservoir & Pumping Station Project

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor McArthur, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby direct staff to act in accordance with the direction provided in Closed Session regarding the Klondike Park Road Well Site, Reservoir & Pumping Station Project. Motion Carried.

Nottawa Servicing

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby direct staff to act in accordance with the direction provided in Closed Session regarding Nottawa Servicing. Motion Carried.

8.2 Release - May is Health Care Professional Appreciation Month at the County of Simcoe

8.3 NVCA reports strong financial management and ongoing service improvements

8.4 Release – Compost available for purchase at County of Simcoe waste facilities

8.5 Provincial Release – Ontario Supporting Stronger Local Governance (Municipal Code of Conduct)

9. Council Reports and Community Announcements

9.1 Ward Reports

Councillor Broderick

- Attended the Creemore BIA meeting, Planning Public meeting and the Sunnidale Hall Board meeting
- Reminded the community that Tulip Days as well as the Grand Opening of the new Foodland in Stayner will take place on May 15th

Councillor McArthur

- Attended the Avening Hall Board meeting, the Grant & Sponsorship cheque presentations and the Civic Prayer Breakfast
- Reminded the community of the upcoming Creemore Log Cabin's Victoria Day events on Saturday May 17th

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren

- Attended the Kinsmen Duck Race, the Grant & Sponsorship cheque presentation, Friends of the Mad River and NVCA tree planting day and the Civic Prayer Breakfast
- Reminded the community of the upcoming Tulip Days event on May 15th

Councillor Dineen

- Welcomed the new Nottawa Hall Board member, Ellen and thanked previous member Michelle for her contributions
- Stated that the scrap metal bin at the Nottawa Hall will be at the Hall until after the Victoria Day weekend
- Attended the Grant & Sponsorship cheque presentation

Councillor Beelen

- Attended the Brentwood Hall Board AGM, Planning Public meeting, and the New Lowell Legion and was happy to be presented with the Dart Championship jacket
- Attended the Huronia West OPP Detachment Board Meeting and welcomed the new interim Detachment Commander Brooke McRoberts
- Attended the Winterama meeting, Grant & Sponsorship cheque presentation, Climate Action Advisory Committee meeting, the Civic Prayer Breakfast and the 38th Annual Singhampton Ramp Romp
- Reminded the community of the upcoming Tulip Days on May 15th

Councillor McArthur

- Attended the Planning Public meeting, the Kinsmen Duck Race and the Grant & Sponsorship cheque presentation
- Reminded the community of the upcoming Tulip Days and Grand Opening of the new Foodland in Stayner on May 15th

Mayor Measures

- Attended the Grant & Sponsorship cheque presentation and was pleased with the number of people that attended
- Congratulations to the Kinsmen on the successful Duck Race event
- Attended the 1944 Army Cadet inspection event and commended R.S.M. Higgins who is retiring and has been a member since she was 12 years old
- Attended the Civil Prayer Breakfast and the 38th Annual Singhampton Ramp Romp

10. Department Reports**Pars & Recreation**

Report # PCR-006-2025 – Signature Events 2025**Resolution:**

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PCR-006-2025 (Signature Events 2025) dated May 12, 2025, for information. Motion Carried.

Report # PCR-007-2025 – Clearview Youth Centre Update**Resolution:**

Moved by Councillor McArthur, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PCR-007-2025 (Clearview Youth Centre Update) dated May 12, 2025, for information. Motion Carried.

Report # PCR-008-2025 – Access to Affordable Recreation Policy C.L.E.A.R.**Resolution:**

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PCR-008-2025 (Access to Affordable Recreation Policy C.L.E.A.R.) dated May 12, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council approve the Access to Affordable Recreation C.L.E.A.R. Policy as presented in Appendix A to this report. Motion Carried.

Public Works

Report # PW-008-2025 – Georgian Communities/Nottawa Environmental Assessment (EA) Update

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PW-008-2025 (Georgian Communities/Nottawa Environmental Assessment (EA) Update) dated May 12, 2025, for information. Motion Carried.

Administration

Report # CAO-005-2025 – EDCO Regional Professional Development RFP Submission

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report CAO-005-2025 (EDCO Regional Professional Development RFP Submission) dated May 12, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council approve submitting a proposal to the Economic Developers Council of Ontario (EDCO) for the Township of Clearview to host a regional professional development event in 2026; and,
- 2) That Council supports including an amount of \$15,000 in the 2026 Economic Development budget to cover event expenses if Clearview Township's proposal is approved by EDCO. Motion Carried.

Legislative Services

Report # LS-009-2025 – Cemetery By-law 24-01 Required Amendments

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report LS-009-2025 (Cemetery By-law 24-01 Required Amendments) dated May 12, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council supports the proposed amendments to Cemetery By-law 24-01, as outlined in Appendix B to this report; and,
- 2) That an amending by-law be presented at the May 12, 2025, meeting approving the changes to the Cemetery By-law; and,
- 3) That staff be directed to provide a consolidated version of Cemetery By-law 24-01, as amended, to the Bereavement Authority of Ontario (BAO) for final approval. Motion Carried.

Report # LS-010-2025 – Strong Mayor Powers Overview**Resolution:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report LS-010-2025 (Strong Mayor Powers Overview) dated May 12, 2025, for information. Motion Carried.

11. By-laws**By-law 25-33 – Amend Cemetery By-law 24-01****Resolution:**

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved that By-law 25-33, being a by-law to amend Cemetery By-law 24-01 providing regulations for the care and control of cemeteries owned by the Township, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 12th day of May, 2025. Motion Carried.

12. Notice of Motion/New Business

Mayor Measures provided an update on the County of Simcoe ice storm clean-up efforts and advised residents they can request brush pick-up by May 19th to ensure collection. More information can be found on www.simcoe.ca

13. Confirmatory By-law**Resolution:**

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that By-Law 25-34, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the May 12th, 2025, Council Meeting, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 12th day of May, 2025. Motion Carried.

14. Motion to Adjourn**Resolution:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that the Council Meeting adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Motion Carried.

Original Signed by:

Douglas Measures, Mayor

Original Signed by:

Sasha Helmkey, Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

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