

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 September 22nd, 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, Derek Abbotts
Director of Finance/Treasurer, Kelly McDonald
Director of Public Works, Dan Perreault
Director of Parks & Recreation, Terry Vachon
Fire Chief, Scott Davison
Deputy Clerk, Krista Pascoe
Legislative Coordinator – Records Management, Emma Coleman
Community Planner, Nick Ainley
Manager of Engineering, Patti Kennedy

1. Closed Session (3:30 p.m.)

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Be It Resolved that the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with s. 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001:

(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: Facility Use Agreement

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

Topic(s) for Discussion: Township Road Allowance. 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 Dineen, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the Agenda dated September 22, 2025, as presented. Motion Carried.

3. Declarations of Interest

None.

4. Public Participation

Gord Zeggil

- Stated that he is attending the meeting today to support Zak Hayward's presentation and is willing to volunteer his services for the Creemore Bleachers renovation project
- Gord shared that himself and Zak have been working with Terry Vachon, Director of Parks and Recreation, regarding the conceptual design of the Creemore Bleachers renovation

5. Delegations and Presentations

Item 5.2 was moved up on the Agenda as the discussion from Public Participation was related.

5.2. Creemore Bleachers Renovation Presentation

Zak Hayward provided Council with the history of the Creemore Bleachers and the nostalgic value it has for the community. Members of the public would like to see the bleachers renovated to preserve the current appearance.

5.1. Update on Green Economy South Georgian Bay Program

Catherine Daw on behalf of the Collingwood Climate Action Team provided Council with a brief update on the results of Cohort One, including learning & challenges, the reframed program scope, survey results and their next steps. A budget request was made on behalf of the Team for Clearview to consider allocating \$5,000 in the 2026 budget for the Green Economy South Georgian Bay Program.

6. Public Meetings

None

7. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby approve the Minutes of the September 8, 2025, Council Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

8. Correspondence and Information Items

8.1 Closed Session Report

Facility Use Agreement

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, 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 Facility Use Agreement. Motion Carried.

Township Road Allowance

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor McArthur, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, 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 Township Road Allowance. Motion Carried.

8.2 Media Release – NVCA Chair Calls for Provincial Action on Recycling and Waste Diversion

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren stated that waste management is a top concern, with the NVCA discussing various options.

8.3 County of Simcoe Statement – Update on Barrie encampment measures

9. Council Reports and Community Announcements

9.1 Ward Reports

Councillor Broderick

- Attended the Clearview Chamber of Commerce Executive and regular meetings, the 1st Annual Harvest Festival in Stayner, Home Hardware's celebration and worked at the GNE on behalf of the COATV Club

Councillor McArthur

- Attended the Avening Hall Board meeting and the GNE - thanked all the volunteers for their hard work

Deputy Mayor Van Staveren

- Had a tour of the new Jarlette long term care facility, attended the 1st Annual Harvest Festival, Home Hardware's celebration and the GNE
- Will be attending County Council and the NVCA Board meeting this week

Mayor Measures

- Attended the GNE and gave praise to the organization of the event and good weather
- Attended the Candlelight Service at the Bethel Union Cemetery and the NEC meeting
- Thanked Councillor Dineen for attending the Georgian Triangle Humane Society's groundbreaking on his behalf

Councillor Dineen

- Reminded everyone that the 2nd Intake for the Community Assistance Grant and Sponsorships close on September 30th and encouraged residents to attend the upcoming Small Halls Events
- Attended the Georgian Triangle Humane Society's groundbreaking

Councillor Walker

- Attended the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, 1st Annual Harvest Festival, Jarlette Grand Opening and Home Hardware's celebration
- Reminded residents of the upcoming Zoning By-law Review Open House on September 24th
- Encouraged residents to attend Compass Greenfield Development's Public Community Meeting at the Duntroon Hall on September 25th regarding the Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)
- Attended Robert Miller's 80th Birthday celebration and presented a plaque

Councillor Beelen

- Attended the 1st Annual Harvest Festival
- Advised that the Brentwood Hall Murder Mystery kicked off the Small Halls Events
- Reminded residents of the upcoming Newfoundland Songbook Small Hall Event at Station on the Green
- Stated that the New Lowell Knights are heading into game 7 on Saturday in New Lowell

9.2 Report # COU-001-2025 – Opposing Use of Agricultural Lands for National Defence’s A-OTHR Receive Site

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Beelen, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report COU-001-2025 (Opposing Use of Agricultural Lands for National Defence’s A-OTHR Receive Site) dated September 22, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council, in recognizing the importance of national defence and supporting Canada’s efforts to keep pace with new and emerging threats such as hypersonic weapons and advanced cruise missiles, respectfully opposes the use of valuable agricultural land in Clearview Township for the use of a Receive Site for National Defence’s Arctic Over-The-Horizon (A-OTHR) project; and,
- 2) That Council direct staff to send a letter outlining the above to The Honourable David J. McGuinty, Minister of National Defence, with copies to The Honourable Heath MacDonald, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food; The Honourable Julie Dabrusin, Minister of Environment and Climate Change; Simcoe-Grey MP Terry Dowdall; Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Township of Essa, Township of Springwater and the Town of Wasaga Beach, Keith Currie, President of Canadian Federation of Agriculture, and Senator Rob Black, Chair of Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture & Forestry. Motion Carried.

10. Department Reports

Parks & Recreation

Report # PCR-014-2025 – Gowan Park Baseball Field Bleachers

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor McArthur, Seconded by Councillor Beelen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PCR-014-2025 (Gowan Park Baseball Field Bleachers) dated September 22, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council approve the conceptual designs provided by RJ Burnside to replace the existing bleachers at the Gowan Park Baseball Field Diamond #1; and,
- 2) That Council approve utilizing the \$10,000 budgeted amount towards replacing the existing bleachers with new enhanced bleachers; and,
- 3) That Council approve that the remaining project balance of approximately \$115,000 be funded through community fundraising by volunteers and stakeholders. Motion Carried.

Planning & Building

Report # PB-036-2025 – Draft Plan of Subdivision Extension – Manortown Homes Inc.

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Walker, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PB-036-2025 (Draft Plan of Subdivision Extension – Manortown Homes Inc.) dated September 22, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council approve the extension of the Manortown Homes Inc. Draft Plan of Subdivision being file 2017-063-SD, for an additional two (2) year period; and,
- 2) That Council approve amendments to the existing draft plan conditions as outlined in Appendix 'E' of this report and that notice be given in accordance with the Planning Act. Motion Carried.

Report # PB-038-2025 – Delegated & Other Planning Act Approvals Summary – September 2025

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby receive report PB-038-2025 (Delegated & Other Planning Act Approvals Summary – September 2025) dated September 22, 2025 for information. Motion Carried.

Legislative Services

Report # LS-017-2025 – 2026 Council Meeting Schedule

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-017-2025 (2026 Council Meeting Schedule) dated September 22, 2025; and,

- 1) That Council approve the 2026 Council Meeting Schedule as presented and attached as Schedule A to this Report. Motion Carried.

11. By-laws

None.

12. Notice of Motion/New Business

Councillor Walker asked about the traffic lights to be installed on Highway 26 at Grand Trunk Road in front of the new McDonalds in Stayner.

13. Confirmatory By-law

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Be It Resolved that By-Law 25-55, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the September 22nd, 2025, Council Meeting, be presented and read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 22nd day of September, 2025. Motion Carried.

14. Motion to Adjourn

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dineen, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Be It Resolved that the Council Meeting adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Motion Carried.

Original Signed by:

Douglas Measures, Mayor

Original Signed by:

Sasha Helmkey, Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

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