



**DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING**

**Thursday, July 4, 2024 at 6:00 pm**

**W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON**

**Council Members Present:**

Warden Darren White (Melancthon)  
Councillor John Creelman (Mono)  
Councillor Guy Gardhouse (East Garafraxa)  
Councillor Earl Hawkins (Mulmur)(arrived at 6:24 pm)  
Councillor Janet Horner (Mulmur)  
Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth)  
Councillor James McLean (Melancthon)  
Councillor Fred Nix (Mono)(arrived at 6:50 pm)  
Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville)  
Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley)  
Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)  
Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)

**Council Members Absent:**

Councillor Chris Gerrits (Amaranth)(prior notice)  
Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne)  
Councillor Wade Mills (Shelburne)

**Staff Present:**

Michelle Dunne, Clerk  
John Mascarin, Aird & Berlis LLP, County Solicitor

Warden White called the meeting to order at 6:19 pm.

Warden White announced that the meeting is being live streamed and publicly broadcast.

The recording of this meeting will also be available on our website in the future.

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Warden White shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

2. **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of the Councillors in attendance.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Horner**

**THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the July 4, 2024 meeting of Council, be approved.**

**-Carried-**

4. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

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

5. **CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Creelman**

**THAT Council moved into Closed Session (6:22 pm) in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 239 (2)(b) – personal matter about an identifiable individual.**

**-Carried-**

Under Section 228 (4) of the Municipal Act, 2001, the Clerk delegated her authority as Clerk to John Mascarin, Aird & Berlis LLP, with respect to the closed session matter.

While in Closed Session, Council received a verbal report regarding an identifiable individual.

**Moved by Councillor Creelman, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse**

**THAT Council move into open session (8:01 pm).**

**-Carried-**

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED**

**Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Little**

**THAT the Warden and Committee Chairs carry out direction as discussed in closed session.**

**-Carried-**

7. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

2024-28 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on July 4, 2024.

**Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor McLean**

**THAT By-Law 2024-28 be read a first, second and third time and enacted.**

**-Carried-**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Hawkins**

**THAT the meeting adjourn.**

**-Carried-**

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, July 11, 2024  
Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON

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Darren White, Warden

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Michelle Dunne, Clerk