



GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

The Committee met at 11:00 a.m. by video conference.

Members Present: Councillor John Creelman (Chair)
Warden Wade Mills
Councillor Steve Anderson (arrived at 11:18 a.m.)
Councillor Janet Horner
Councillor Andy Macintosh
Councillor Philip Rentsch
Councillor Steve Soloman

Staff Present: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
Rohan Thompson, Director of People and Equity
Steve Murphy, Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects

Chair Creelman called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Creelman shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ROLL CALL

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

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the Public.

REPORTS

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #1
2021 Health and Safety Review – Annual Report

A report from the Director of People and Equity, dated April 28, 2022, to provide an update on the health and safety activities for the year 2021, as well as 2019 and 2020.

Moved by Councillor Macintosh, seconded by Councillor Soloman

THAT the report of the Director of People & Equity, dated April 28, 2022, regarding the 2021 Health and Safety Review Annual Report, be received.

-Carried-

2. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #2
SARS CoV2 (COVID-19) Pandemic After Action Report

A report from the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 28, 2022, to present the after-action report into the community wide response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Moved by Warden Mills, seconded by Councillor Soloman

THAT the report of the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 28, 2022, with respect to SARS CoV2 (COVID-19) Pandemic After Action Report, be received.

-Carried-

3. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #3
Next Generation 9-1-1 Authority Service Agreement

A report from the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 28, 2022, to seek approval from Committee and Council to enter into a contract with Bell Canada to provide Next Generation 9-1-1 services.

Moved by Councillor Macintosh, seconded by Councillor Rentsch

THAT the report of the Manager - Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 28, 2022, regarding Next Generation 9-1-1 Authority Service Agreement, be received;

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to enter into 9-1-1 Authority Service Agreement with Bell Canada.

-Carried-

4. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #4
Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund (MERF) – Grant Request

A report from the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 28, 2022, to present a grant request to Committee and Council for funding to assist the Township of Amaranth with the acquisition and installation of a back-up generator at its Public Works facility.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Rentsch

THAT the report of the Manager – Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated April 28, 2022, regarding a Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund – Grant Request for the Township of Amaranth, be received;

AND THAT the Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund Grant Request for the Township of Amaranth in the amount of \$7,900, be approved.

-Carried-

5. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #5
Compensation Policy for Public Members on Advisory Committees

A report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, to approve an amendment to Policy No. 1-2-02 – Committee Structure and Mandates to include compensation for public members of advisory committees.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Soloman

THAT the Report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, titled Public Committee Member Compensation, be received;

AND THAT the amendments to Policy No. 1-2-02 – Committee Structure and Mandates, be approved.

-Carried-

6. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #6
Joint Compliance Audit Committee

A report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, to provide information on a request to administer a Joint Compliance Audit Committee for the 2022 – 2026 Council Term.

Moved by Councillor Soloman, seconded by Councillor Macintosh

THAT the report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, titled Joint Compliance Audit Committee, be received.

-Carried-

Councillor Anderson joined the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

7. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #7
Procedural By-Law Review

A report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, to inform Committee that staff have started a review of the Procedural by-law for the 2022 – 2026 Council Term.

Moved by Warden Mills, seconded by Councillor Horner

THAT the report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, regarding the Procedural By-law Review, be received.

-Carried-

8. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #9
Council Remuneration Review

A report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, to seek direction regarding Council remuneration for the next term of Council 2022 to 2026.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Warden Mills

THAT staff be directed to conduct additional research and report back with a recommendation for Council remuneration for the next term of Council (2022 to 2026).

-Carried-

9. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #8
School Bus Stop-Arm Camera Program – Report 4

A report from the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, to provide an update to council regarding implementing a school bus stop-arm camera program.

Moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Soloman

THAT the report of the Clerk, dated April 28, 2022, regarding School Bus Stop-Arm Camera Program – Report 4, be received.

-Carried-

10. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #10
Financial Report

A report from the Manager of Finance, Treasurer, dated April 28, 2022, to provide Committee with a quarterly financial summary.

Moved by Councillor Rentsch, seconded by Councillor Macintosh

THAT the Financial Report for the first quarter of 2022, dated April 28, 2022, be received.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

11. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – April 28, 2022 – ITEM #11
Donation to Ukraine

Correspondence from Shirley Tait, dated April 21, 2022, seeking clarification regarding donation guidelines in response to Council's donation to Ukraine.

The Committee suggested developing a set of general principles, rather than a policy, to allow for consideration of requests on a case-by-case basis to guide future

Councils should they are confronted with a donation of this type again.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.
Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor John Creelman, Chair
General Government Services Committee