



Town of Newmarket

Minutes

Council - Electronic

Date: Monday, June 5, 2023
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: Streamed live from the Municipal Offices
395 Mulock Drive
Newmarket, ON L3Y 4X7

Members Present: Mayor Taylor
Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor Vegh (1:01 PM to 2:00 PM)
Councillor Simon
Councillor Woodhouse
Councillor Twinney
Councillor Morrison
Councillor Kwapis
Councillor Broome
Councillor Bisanz

Staff Present: I. McDougall, Chief Administrative Officer
E. Armchuk, Commissioner of Corporate Services
P. Noehammer, Commissioner of Development & Infrastructure Services
J. Payne, Commissioner, Community Services
L. Lyons, Director of Legislative Services/Town Clerk
K. Saini, Deputy Town Clerk
R. Prudhomme, Director of Engineering Services
S. Granat, Legislative Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM.
Mayor Taylor in the Chair

1. Notice

Mayor Taylor acknowledged that the Town of Newmarket is located on the traditional territories of the Wendat, Haudeno-saunee, and the Anishinaabe peoples and the treaty land of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous peoples whose presence here continues to this day. He thanked them for sharing this land with us. Mayor Taylor also acknowledged the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbours and friends, and that we work to ensure a cooperative and respectful relationship.

Mayor Taylor advised that the Municipal Offices have reopened to the public and that this meeting was streamed live at [Newmarket.ca/meetings](https://www.newmarket.ca/meetings). Residents who would like to provide comment on an item on this agenda were encouraged to provide their feedback in writing through email to Legislative Services at clerks@newmarket.ca or by providing a deputation electronically or in-person. He advised residents that their comments would form part of the public record.

2. Additions & Corrections to the Agenda

The Clerk provided the following corrections:

- By-law numbers 2022-31 and 2022-34 have been corrected to 2023-31 and 2023-34.

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That the corrections be approved.

Carried

3. Conflict of Interest Declarations

None.

4. Public Hearing Matter(s)

There were no public hearing matters.

5. Presentations & Recognitions

None.

6. Deputations

None.

7. Minutes

7.1 Council - Electronic Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Kwapis

Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

1. That the Council - Electronic meeting minutes of May 15, 2023 be approved.

Carried

7.2 Special Council - Electronic Meeting Minutes of May 29, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Twinney

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the Special Council - Electronic meeting minutes of May 29, 2023 be approved.

Carried

8. Reports by Regional Representatives

8.1 York Region Climate Change Action Plan

Deputy Mayor and Regional Councillor Vegh provided information regarding the York Region Climate Change Action Plan including the impacts of climate change and the Plan's three key priority areas: resilient communities and infrastructure, low carbon living, and supporting an equitable transition as well as areas of land use planning, infrastructure and asset management, natural heritage and forestry, emergency management and plans, waste management, economic development, public transportation, and community supports.

8.2 Greening Strategy and Vacant Home Tax

The Mayor provided information on the Region's Greening Strategy and that the vacant home tax is not moving forward at this time.

Members of Council queried the Mayor regarding the number of trees planted as part of the Region's Greening Strategy and connecting properties where planting has taken place.

9. Consent Items and Recommendations from Committees

9.1 Committee of the Whole - Electronic Meeting Minutes of May 29, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Twinney

Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

1. That the Committee of the Whole - Electronic meeting minutes of May 29, 2023 items 9.1.1, 9.1.2, 9.1.3, 9.1.4, 9.1.5, 9.1.6, 9.1.7, and 9.1.8 be received and the recommendations noted within be adopted on consent.

Carried

9.1.1 2024 Budget Process and Targets

1. That the presentation provided by Andrea Tang, Manager, Finance and Accounting Services regarding the 2024 Budget Process and Targets be received.

9.1.2 2024 Budget Process and Target

1. That the report entitled 2024 Budget Process and Target dated May 29, 2023 be received; and,
2. That the proposed budget schedule with a target budget adoption date of December 11, 2023, be approved; and,
3. That Council confirm the target for tax-supported operating budget of less than three per cent (3 %) for 2024; and,
4. That endorsement be given to staff to proceed with preparation of the 2024 budgets employing the structure as outlined in this report; and,
5. That the form and timing of budget submissions for all entities accountable to Council be subject to the process outlined in this report; and,

6. That the proposed community engagement plan for the 2024 budget be adopted; and,
7. That the Treasurer be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.3 Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

1. That the report entitled Proposed Provincial Planning Statement dated May 29, 2023 be received; and,
2. That Council authorize staff to submit this report to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing as the Town of Newmarket's comments on the proposed Provincial Planning Statement; and,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.4 Private Tree Protection By-law Amendment and Update

1. That the report entitled Private Tree Protection By-law Amendment and Update dated May 29, 2023 be received; and,
2. That proposed amendments to the Private Tree Protection By-law adopted; and,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.5 Property Tax Rates and By-law for 2023

1. That the report entitled Property Tax Rates and By-law for 2023 dated May 29, 2023 be received; and,
2. That the property tax rates for 2023, as applied to the assessment roll returned in 2022 for 2023 taxation, be set for Town purposes as follows:

Residential	0.339362%
Multi-Residential	0.339362%
Commercial	0.452064%
Industrial	0.557639%
Pipeline	0.311873%
Farm	0.084840%

3. That the applicable Tax Rate By-law, attached as Appendix 'A' be forwarded to Council for approval; and,
4. That the Treasurer be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.6 500 Water Street Request for Proposal

1. That the report entitled 500 Water Street Request for Proposals dated May 29, 2023 be received; and,
2. That staff be directed to issue a request for proposals to seek a new tenant for 500 Water Street on substantially the terms set out in this report; and,
3. That staff be directed to evaluate the proposals based substantially on the criteria listed in this report; and,
4. That staff be directed to finalize the terms of a new long-term lease based substantially on the terms set out in this report; and,
5. That the CAO be directed to execute the lease for 500 Water Street with the successful proponent; and,
6. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.7 Main Street District Business Improvement Area Board of Management Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2022

1. That the Main Street District Business Improvement Area Board of Management Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2022 be received.

9.1.8 Main Street District Business Improvement Area Board of Management Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2023

1. That the Main Street District Business Improvement Area Board of Management Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2023 be received.

10. By-laws

Moved by: Councillor Twinney

Seconded by: Councillor Broome

1. That By-laws 2023-31, 2023-34, and 2023-36 be enacted.

Carried

11. Notices of Motions

None.

12. Motions Where Notice has Already been Provided

12.1 Resolution in Support of Bill 5 Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022

Moved by: Councillor Kwapis

Seconded by: Councillor Bisanz

Whereas Bill 5—Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022 was introduced in the Ontario Legislature through a Private Member's Bill on August 10, 2022; and,

And Whereas the Town of Newmarket and Council are committed to demonstrating good governance and greater accountability to its Code of Conduct and workplace policies.

Therefore be it resolved,

1. That the Council of the Town of Newmarket endorses Bill 5—Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022 which would require the Code of Conduct for municipal Councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat if the Commissioner's Inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement; and,
2. And that the Council of the Town of Newmarket expresses its support for Bill 5 by directing the Clerk to send this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the

local Members of Parliament (MP's); the local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP's); Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

13. New Business

13.1 All-way stop signs at William Roe Boulevard and Dixon Boulevard intersection

Moved by: Councillor Kwapis

Seconded by: Councillor Broome

1. That Council direct staff to install all-way stop signs at the William Roe Boulevard and Dixon Boulevard intersection.

Carried

14. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Morrison

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That Council resolve into Closed Session to discuss the following matters:
 - a. Council - Electronic (Closed Session) meeting minutes of May 15, 2023
 - b. Governance and Financial Strategy Review - A trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value, as per section 239 (j) of the Municipal Act.

Carried

Council resolved into Closed Session at 1:35 PM.

Council (Closed Session) minutes are recorded under separate cover.

Council resumed into Open Session at 3:10 PM.

14.1 Council - Electronic (Closed Session) meeting minutes of May 15, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Twinney

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor & Regional
Councillor Vegh

1. That the Council - Electronic (Closed Session) meeting minutes of June 5, 2023 be approved.

Carried

14.2 Governance and Financial Strategy Review

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the closed session presentation from Deloitte entitled Town of Newmarket Governance and Financial Strategy Review dated June 5, 2023 be received; and,
2. That the closed session direction to staff be adopted.

Carried

15. Confirmatory By-law

Moved by: Councillor Twinney

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That By-law 2023-35 be enacted.

Carried

16. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the meeting be adjourned at 3:11 PM.

Carried

John Taylor, Mayor

Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk