



Town of Newmarket

Minutes

Council

Date: Monday, March 3, 2025
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
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 of Community Services
L. Lyons, Director of Legislative Services/Town Clerk
K. Saini, Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Town Clerk
S. Granat, Legislative Coordinator
E. Thomas-Hopkins, Legislative Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 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 were open to the public, and that members of the public could attend this meeting in person or view the live stream available at 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 Deputy Clerk provided the following additions and corrections to the agenda:

- Item 12.1.1 - Correspondence provided by Kim Allen regarding item 12.1 - Windrow Management.

Moved by: Councillor Morrison

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the additions to the agenda provided by the Deputy Clerk be received.

Carried

3. Conflict of Interest Declarations

None.

4. Public Hearing Matter(s)

None.

5. Presentations & Recognitions

None.

6. Deputations

None.

7. Minutes

7.1 Council Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2025

Moved by: Deputy Mayor & Regional
Councillor Vegh

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the Council Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2025 be approved.

Carried

8. Reports by Regional Representatives

Deputy Mayor and Regional Councillor Vegh and Mayor Taylor provided a verbal update regarding Reports by Regional Representatives including an expression of interest at the recent York Region Council meeting to submit a bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games, further considerations regarding hosting the Commonwealth Games, a report regarding recent significant funding to support homelessness, and a report regarding transitional and emergency housing shelters.

9. Consent Items and Recommendations from Committees

9.1 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2025

Moved by: Councillor Simon

Seconded by: Councillor Broome

1. That the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2025 be received and the recommendations noted within items 9.1.2 to 9.1.4 be adopted. See item 9.1.1 for motion.

Carried

9.1.1 Stormwater Charges for Residential Properties with Low Runoff

Moved by: Councillor Simon

Seconded by: Councillor Bisanz

1. That the report entitled “Stormwater Charge For Residential Properties With Low Runoff ” be received; and,
2. That Council approve the 2024 stormwater charges for residential properties that meet the criteria as outlined in the report to be adjusted to the 2023 charges, and to be maintained at the same amounts in 2025 and 2026; and,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

9.1.2 Parking By-law Amendments

1. That the report entitled Parking By-law Amendments dated February 24, 2025 be received; and,
2. That Council approve the attached Amendment By-law 2025-08; and,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.3 Municipal Accommodation Tax: Municipal Services Corporation Incorporation and Operating Agreement

1. That the report entitled “Municipal Accommodation Tax: Municipal Services Corporation Incorporation and Operating Agreement” dated February 24, 2025 be received; and,
2. That Articles of Incorporation be filed for a municipal services corporation with the name Newmarket Tourism Development Corporation, or such other similar name as is approved by the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer if Newmarket Tourism Development Corporation is not available; and,
3. That Council approve the form and content of By-law No. 1 (Attachment 1) as being satisfactory to the Town and

appropriate for adoption by the board of directors of the municipal services corporation, subject to any modification to the name of the corporation within the document, if needed, in accordance with recommendation 2; and,

4. That provided Council has approved a decision at a Town Council meeting, the Mayor and the Clerk is authorized to execute a written resolution confirming that decision on behalf of Council in its role as the sole voting member of the municipal services corporation in lieu of having a Member's Meeting of the municipal services corporation; and,
5. That Council appoint the following officers to the municipal services corporation:
 - a. the Mayor shall be the Chair of the Board of Directors;
 - b. the Chief Administrative Officer shall be the Vice Chair of the Board of Directors;
 - c. The Director, Financial Services of the Town of Newmarket (or designate) shall be the Treasurer of the Corporation; and,
 - d. The Clerk of the Town of Newmarket (or designate) shall be the Secretary of the Corporation; and,
6. That the Operating Agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket and the municipal services corporation (Attachment 2) be approved, subject to any modification to the name of the corporation within the document, if needed, in accordance with recommendation 2; and,
7. That the CAO be authorized to execute the Operating Agreement on behalf of the Town; and,
8. That the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of the municipal services corporation be authorized to execute the Operating Agreement on behalf of the municipal services corporation; and,
9. That the Asset Transfer Policy for corporations wholly-owned by the Town (Attachment 3) be approved; and,

10. That the Municipal Accommodation Tax Reserve Fund Policy (Attachment 4) be approved; and,

11. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9.1.4 Main Street District Business Improvement Area Board of Management Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2025

1. That the Main Street District Business Improvement Area Board of Management Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2025 be received.

10. By-laws

Moved by: Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor Vegh

Seconded by: Councillor Bisanz

1. That By-law 2025-56 be enacted.

Carried

11. Notices of Motions

None.

12. Motions Where Notice has Already been Provided

12.1 Windrow Management

Moved by: Councillor Bisanz

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor Vegh

1. That Staff be directed to investigate and identify options for clearing windrows during winter snow events including a scan of various GTA municipalities; and,
2. That Staff be directed to evaluate the operational and funding implications for implementing the various options including but not

limited to: municipal budget, user fees, provincial and federal grants, community partnerships and volunteer programs; and

3. That Staff report back to Council with findings and recommendations before the end of Q2, in order to be able to potentially pilot a solution before the next winter snow season.

Carried

12.1.1 Correspondence - Kim Allen

Moved by: Councillor Bisanz

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the correspondence provided by Kim Allen regarding Windrow Management be received.

Carried

13. New Business

13.1 Snow Event

Councillor Broome thanked operations and customer service Staff for their support during the recent snow event.

13.2 Central York Fire Services Inspire Event

Councillor Broome thanked participants and organizers for their involvement in the 4th Annual Inspire Event hosted by Central York Fire Services to support International Women's Day.

14. Closed Session (if required)

Council did not resolve into Closed Session.

15. Confirmatory By-law

Moved by: Councillor Morrison

Seconded by: Councillor Bisanz

1. That By-law 2025-57 be enacted.

Carried

16. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Kwapis

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the meeting be adjourned at 1:20 PM.

Carried

John Taylor, Mayor

Kiran Saini, Deputy Town Clerk