



The Corporation of the
Town of Milton
COUNCIL MINUTES

March 17, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Krantz, Councillor Ali, Councillor Best, Councillor Challinor, Councillor Malboeuf, Councillor Tesser Derksen, Councillor Ijaz, Councillor Marshall, Councillor Khalqi

The Council for the Corporation of the Town of Milton met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was held as a hybrid meeting with Members of Council having the opportunity to participate in-person at Town Hall or electronically.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION / O' CANADA / TRADITIONAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

3. **AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS / AMENDMENTS**

The Town Clerk also provided information on how to speak during the Public Meetings both in person and remotely, noting that these instructions will be provided again at point in the Agenda that the Public Meeting will be held and will also be scrolling across the livestream video.

The Town Clerk noted that written submissions regarding DS-018-25 Town-Initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendments and DS-019-25 We Make Milton Official Plan Amendment were circulated to Members of Council in advance of tonight's Council meeting.

4. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

5. **CONSENT ITEMS**

At this point in the meeting, Mayor Krantz turned the Chair Position over to Councillor Khalqi.

Res. 027-2025

THAT Consent Items 5.1 to 5.5 be approved.

Carried

5.1 Minutes from Council Meeting held on February 24, 2025

5.2 DS-020-25 Notice of Intention to Designate -11668 First Line_ George Calvert House

THAT Staff Report DS-020-25 entitled: "Recommendation Report - Notice of Intention to Designate_11668 First Line_ Calvert House be received;

AND THAT Council recognizes the historic house at 11668 First Line in the Town of Milton as being of heritage significance;

AND THAT Council designate the property under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18 for the reasons outlined in the Reasons for Designation attached as Appendix 1 to this Report;

AND THAT the Town Clerk provides the Notice of Intention to Designate as outlined in Section 29 (4) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the thirty-day objection period has expired and if there are no objections, a designation by-law is brought forward for Council adoption.

5.3 ES-005-25 Risk Management – 2024 Annual Risk Report

THAT the 2024 Annual Risk Report be received for information.

5.4 ES-008-25 2024 Annual Statement of Remuneration and Expenses

THAT the 2024 Annual Statement of Remuneration and Expenses be received for information.

5.5 ES-004-25 Indexing of the Town's Development Charges

THAT this report pertaining to the indexing of the Town's development charges be received for information.

6. DELEGATIONS

7. PUBLIC MEETING

- 7.1 DS-017-25 Public Meeting and Initial Report: Zoning By-law Amendment by 2369219 Ontario Inc. applicable to lands located at 8329 Esquesing Line. (Town File: Z-02/25).**

Res. 028-2025

THAT Development Services Report DS-017-25 be received for information

Carried

8. PRESENTATIONS

- 8.1 CORS-05-25 2024 Transit Services Annual Report**

Res. 029-2025

THAT the 2024 Transit Services Annual Report be received.

Carried

9. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 9.1 COMS-001-25 Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) Project Status Update**

Res. 030-2025

THAT Council authorize staff to proceed with the steps necessary to implement a pilot Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) program, as outlined in this report;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to enter into an agreement with the City of Toronto Joint Processing Center (JPC), for the processing of all ASE penalty orders (tickets) under the Administrative Penalty System;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to enter into an agreement with the City of Toronto JPC Camera Vendor for the leasing, installation, and operation of two ASE cameras;

AND THAT a budget increase in the amount of \$805,084 be approved within capital project C40013225, funded from the Project Variance Account;

AND THAT staff be directed to bring forward any necessary by-law amendments for consideration at a future Council meeting;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any necessary agreements with The City of Toronto JPC, the City of Toronto JPC Camera Vendor, the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG), and any other government agency that may be required to implement an ASE program.

Carried

9.2 CORS-004-25 Additional Residential Unit (ARU) Registry By-law and the Numbering of Properties & Buildings By-law. These by-laws are being recommended to support life safety in ARUs and to help manage the impacts of ARUs on the community.

Res. 031-2025

THAT the necessary by-laws, included on the March 17, 2025 Council meeting agenda, be considered for approval, with an enactment date of April 1, 2025;

AND THAT a new user fee of \$340.00, before taxes, be introduced effective April 1, 2025 to recover the cost of the initial registration of additional residential units and be added to the Town's User Fee By-law at the next available opportunity.

Carried

9.3 DS-019-25 Technical Report - We Make Milton Official Plan Amendment

Res. 032-2025

THAT Council Approve Amendment 92 to the Town of Milton Official Plan, attached to the By-law as Appendix I;

AND THAT the By-law to adopt the Town of Milton Official Plan amendment, attached as Appendix I to Staff Report DS 019-25, be adopted;

AND THAT Council resolves and declares the Town of Milton Official Plan as amended, conforms with all provincial plans or does not conflict with them, has regard to the matters of provincial interest listed in section 2 of the Planning Act, and is consistent with policy statements issued under subsection 3 (1) of the Planning Act;

AND THAT Staff be directed to provide notice of the passing of the By-law adopting the Town of Milton Official Plan Amendment 92 in accordance with the Planning Act;

AND THAT Staff be directed to submit the Town of Milton Official Plan Amendment 92 to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval in accordance with Planning Act requirements;

AND THAT Staff be directed to monitor the approval process for the Town of Milton Official Plan Amendment 92 and in the event that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing proposes modifications to the Plan, prepare a report to Council with recommendations concerning any proposed modifications;

AND THAT a copy of Staff Report DS-019-25 be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to each person or public body that filed with the Clerk a written request to be notified if the plan is adopted and the prescribed public bodies;

AND THAT Council receive the Residential and Non-Residential Needs Analysis Study Phase 1 final report, attached as Appendix III.

AND THAT a budget increase in the amount of \$542,825 be approved for the Official Plan Review capital project C90010021, funded 68% from Development Charges and 32% from the Project Variance Account;

AND FURTHER THAT the Commissioner of Development Services forward this report to the Provincial Ministers of Health, Education, Transportation and Infrastructure and Metrolinx with a request to review and plan for future Milton District Hospital, school, and transportation expansions.

Carried

9.4 DS-018-25 Technical Report: Town-Initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to implement Provincial direction on “Area of Employment”, as a result of Bill 97: Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023 (LOPA-08/24 and ZBLA-20/24).

Res. 033-2025

THAT Council approve Development Services Report DS-018-25 regarding Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments for amending the Employment Areas;

AND THAT Council adopt Official Plan Amendment 86, regarding proposed Official Plan policies to update the Town's policy framework related to Areas of Employment, attached as Appendix 1 to Report DS-018-25;

AND THAT Council enact Official Plan Amendment 86, regarding proposed Official Plan policies to update the Town's policy framework related to Areas of Employment, attached as Appendix 1 to Report DS-018-25;

AND THAT Council enact the Amendment to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law 016-2014, as amended, attached as Appendix 2 to Report DS-018-25;

AND THAT Town Clerk be directed to forward copies of Official Plan Amendment No. 86 and Amendment to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law 016-2014 to Halton Region and the Ministry for Municipal Affairs and Housing for information;

AND FURTHER THAT the Commissioner of Development Services forward this report to the Provincial Ministers of Health, Education, Transportation and Infrastructure and Metrolinx with a request to review and plan for future Milton District Hospital, school, and transportation expansions.

Carried

9.5 ES-006-25 Development Charges Exemption for Affordable Housing under the Development Charges Act, 1997

Res. 034-2025

THAT the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be authorized to enter into Tri-Party Agreements and ancillary documents with Developers and the Region of Halton for affordable residential unit development charges exemptions under Section 4.1 of the Development Charges Act, 1997, in a form acceptable to the Town Treasurer and external legal counsel, with terms and conditions consistent with Report ES-006-25;

AND THAT the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be authorized to sign a memorandum of understanding and ancillary documents, in a form acceptable to the Treasurer and external legal counsel, setting out the conditions for local administration of the Region's affordable residential unit development charges exemption, as outlined in Report ES-006-25.

Carried

9.6 ES-007-25 Financial Securities – Acceptance of Surety Bonds

Res. 035-2025

THAT Council approve the Pay-on-Demand Surety Bond Template attached as Appendix A to this report;

AND THAT Council authorize the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to make amendments to Appendix A and the associated schedules thereto as necessary to comply with provincial legislation or reflect evolving best practices;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve a new user fee, in the amount of \$279, for the conversion of an existing letter of credit financial security with a surety bond.

Carried

9.7 ES-009-25 Financial Policies Update

Res. 036-2025

THAT the updates outlined in this report to the following Financial Management policies be approved:

- Policy No. 110 Financial Principles (Appendix A)
- Policy No. 111 Taxation and Assessment (Appendix B)
- Policy No. 112 Procurement and Disposal (Appendix C)
- Policy No. 113 Budget Management Policy (Appendix D)
- Policy No. 114 Asset Management (Appendix E)
- Policy No. 115 Accounting (Appendix F)
- Policy No. 116 Treasury (Appendix G)
- Policy No. 117 Development Finance (Appendix H)

AND THAT Council approve the transfer of the balance of the Project Variance Account to the newly created Project Variance Reserve, as described herein;

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer, or designate, be authorized to execute agreements related to the collection of Development Charges for Rental Housing Developments, in accordance with Town Policy 117 and Provincial Legislation.

Carried

9.8 ES-010-25 2024 Year End Report on Investments

Res. 037-2025

THAT report ES-010-25 be received for information.

Carried

9.9 ES-011-25 Purchasing Various – March 2025

Res. 038-2025

THAT Council approve the budget amendments and related funding sources, as outlined on Schedule A;

AND THAT the contract award for the purchase of one (1) 6-metre transit bus to Creative Carriage Limited in the estimated amount of \$210,962 (exclusive of HST) be approved, as outlined in Schedule B;

AND THAT the proposal award for Full Service Printing Requirements to M&T Printing Group in the estimated amount of \$112,522 (exclusive of HST) for a one year term be approved, as outlined in Schedule C;

AND THAT staff be delegated the authority to award up to four (4) one year optional renewal terms with M&T Printing Group for up to a total five year contract in the estimated total amount of \$562,610 (exclusive of HST), as outlined in Schedule C;

AND THAT the proposal award for the 2026 Asphalt Overlay Program to WSP Canada Inc. in the total amount of \$574,259 (exclusive of HST) be approved, as outlined in Schedule D;

AND THAT staff be delegated the authority to award the optional contract administration with WSP Canada Inc. through an internal staff report in the estimated total amount of \$552,853 (exclusive of HST), as outlined in Schedule D;

AND THAT the delegated authority to award the proposal for a Recreation and Parks Master Plan Update, which has a budgeted amount of \$248,223, be approved, as outlined in Schedule E;

AND THAT the delegated authority to award the proposal for Rubber Flooring at Milton Sports Centre, which has a budgeted amount of \$277,791, be approved, as outlined in Schedule F;

AND THAT the contract increase for Telecommunication Links for NG911 to Rogers Communications in the amount of \$49,080 (exclusive of HST) be approved, as outlined in Schedule G;

AND THAT staff be delegated the authority to renew the initial 60-month term with Rogers Communications for a subsequent term of equal or lesser length, provided the total value of the renewed term is equal to or less than the value of the initial contract term price as outlined on Schedule G;

AND THAT the contract increase for Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (construction) to Aqua Tech Solutions in the amount of \$105,000 (exclusive of HST) be approved, as outlined in Schedule H;

AND THAT staff be delegated authority for up to a 10% contingency award(s) for any remaining construction services costs associated with the Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (construction) that are required to project completion;

AND THAT the contract increase for Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (consultant) to GEI Consultants in the amount of \$110,420 (exclusive of HST) be approved, as outlined in Schedule I;

AND THAT staff be delegated authority for up to a 10% contingency award(s) for any remaining consulting services costs associated with the Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (consultant) that are required to project completion;

AND THAT authority be provided to enter into an amending agreement with Wilfred Laurier University that allows for a Town contribution of up to \$225,000 (inclusive of HST) for HVAC Improvements at 555 Industrial Drive, as outlined in Schedule J;

AND FURTHER THAT the Manager, Purchasing and Supply Chain Management be authorized to execute the contract(s), as outlined by the purchasing by-law, and the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to sign any required paperwork.

9.10 Motion to Consider - Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding - Councillor Khalqi

Res. 039-2025

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and **WHEREAS** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** Milton Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

2. **Be It Further Resolved That** Milton Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further Resolved That** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. **Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. **Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried

9.11 Motion to Consider - Request for staff report regarding Snow buddy Program & Winter Operations Review - Councillor Khalqi

Res. 040-2025

WHEREAS the Town of Milton is committed to providing key municipal services to businesses and homeowners within the municipality, including Winter Control (snow removal);

AND WHEREAS these snow removal services currently include the removal of snow from all regional roads on behalf of the Region of Halton; sidewalks and parking lots on behalf of the Milton Downtown Business Improvement Area (DBIA), the Town of Milton, and other organizations; sidewalks and trails connecting residents to nearly 50 local schools; and a Windrow Removal Program provided to local seniors and individuals with disabilities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Town staff conduct a post-mortem review on the 2024/2025 Winter Control program and report back to Milton Council by the end of Q2 2025.

AND THAT this post-mortem review include a discussion about what worked, what didn't, and what Milton Council and Town staff should be considering in the 2026 Operating Budget regarding additional snow removal measures;

AND FURTHER THAT that a Snow Buddy Program be considered as an additional Winter Control measure, one that is volunteer-based and connects residents in need of snow removal on residential property with available volunteers in a timely fashion, a program that would be coordinated by the Town of Milton, unless another agency may be deemed more suitable for this purpose.

Carried

10. INTRODUCTION OF NOTICE OF MOTION

Res. 041-2025

THAT pertinent rules of Procedure By-law 14-2024 be waived to permit the introduction of the Notice of Motion pertaining to Made in Milton Methodology for Establishing an Income Fund and for Determining Tax Increases for consideration at the April 28, 2025 Council meeting.

Carried

**10.1 Made in Milton Methodology for Establishing an income fund -
Councillor Challinor**

**10.2 Made in Milton Methodology for determining tax increases -
Councillor Challinor**

11. REGIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

12. STATEMENT BY MEMBERS

13. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

14. OPEN SESSION

15. BY-LAWS

Res. 042-2025

THAT By-law Numbers 028-2025, through to and including Bylaw 041-2025, be READ, PASSED AND NUMBERED;

AND THAT the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to sign the said By-laws, seal them with the seal of the Corporation and that they be engrossed in the By-law Book.

Carried

- 15.1 028-2025 Full Assumption of Subdivision 20M-1207 Country Homes PH 2**
- 15.2 029-2025 Removal of Holding - Mattamy Bayview Lexis (Z-24-25)**
- 15.3 030-2025 Uniform Traffic Control By-law 1984-1, Updates March 2025**
- 15.4 031-2025 Pt Lot Control, Mattamy Brownbridge Homes Limited PLX-03-25, 20M-1286**
- 15.5 032-2025 Additional Residential Unit Registry By-law**
- 15.6 033-2025 Numbering of Properties and Buildings By-law**
- 15.7 034-2025 Partial Assumption of Subdivision 20M-1119 EBC West PH 2A**
- 15.8 035-2025 OPA 86 - Employment Area Designation, Town of Milton, LOPA-08/24**
- 15.9 036-2025 Amendment to Comprehensive Zoning By-Law 016-2014, Employment Area Designation, Town of Milton, LOPA-08/24**
- 15.10 037-2025 Designation By-Law - 74 Robert Street - William Tight House**
- 15.11 038-2025 Designation By-Law - 7781 Old Tremaine Road - William Cumming House**
- 15.12 039-2025 OPA 92 - Town of Milton Official Plan**
- 15.13 040-2025 General Signing By-law - March 17, 2025**
- 15.14 041-2025 Confirm Proceedings By-law - March 17, 2025**

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Gordon A. Krantz, Mayor

Meaghen Reid, Town Clerk