

Council Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Electronic and In-Person Participation - Council
The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville
(Mayor and Clerk at Town Hall - 87 Broadway)
Orangeville, Ontario

Members Present: Mayor L. Post

Deputy Mayor T. Taylor Councillor J. Andrews Councillor A. Macintosh Councillor T. Prendergast Councillor D. Sherwood Councillor R. Stevens

Staff Present:

D. Currie, Manager, Capital Works

S. Doherty, Manager, Recreation & Events

T. Dulisse, Manager, Transportation and Development

R. Gill, Software Development Engineer

T. Kocialek, General Manager, Infrastructure Services

R. Martell, Town Clerk

A. Minichillo, General Manager, Corporate Services

N. Nunes, Chief Building Official

L. Raftis, Assistant Clerk
L. Russell, Senior Planner

H. Savage, General Manager, Community Services

D. Smith, CAO

J. Snider, Fire Chief

B. Ward, Manager, Planning

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution 2025-010

Moved by Councillor Macintosh Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That the agenda and any addendums for the February 10, 2025, Council Meeting, be approved.

Carried

3. Disclosure of (Direct and Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Closed Meeting

None.

5. Open Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

6. Singing of National Anthem

David Nairn, Theatre Orangeville provided a pre-recorded version of the National Anthem which was played.

7. Land Acknowledgement

The Mayor acknowledged the treaty lands and territory of the Williams Treaty Nations and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The Mayor also recognized that Dufferin County is the traditional territory of the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee, and is home to many Indigenous people today.

8. Announcements by Chair

Mayor Post advised the gallery and viewing audience with respect to the public nature of Council Meetings and that it is webcast. Mayor Post also provided instructions with respect to muting and unmuting during the meeting.

9. Rise and Report

None.

10. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting

Resolution 2025-011

Moved by Councillor Andrews
Seconded by Councillor Prendergast

That the minutes of the following meeting be approved:

10.1 January 27, 2025 Council Minutes

Carried Unanimously

11. Open Forum

Wendy Medwid, Orangeville, expressed concern with respect to accessibility throughout Orangeville.

Matthew Smith, McCarthy Street, expressed concern with respect to the pedestrian crosswalk at Broadway and Wellington and asked staff to consider placing the lights over the lane in the future. Mr. Smith further asked a question regarding transit bus procurement and the Alder Street Recreation Centre parking lot study.

Karen Jones, York Street expressed gratitude with respect to the efforts made toward the York Street Heritage Conservation District Work Plan.

12. Presentation, Petitions and/or Delegation

12.1 Public Delegations/Petitions

12.1.1 Tamara Limebeer - Accessibility in Orangeville

Resolution 2025-012

Moved by Councillor Macintosh Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That Council waive the requirements of the procedure by-law to allow Tamara Limebeer to address Council for a maximum of ten minutes.

Carried

Tamara Limebeer provided a presentation with respect to accessibility in Orangeville. Ms. Limebeer spoke to reviewing site plan drawings, integrative accessibility standards, planning for growth, turning spaces, slopes, parking standards, parking access aisles, and answered questions from Council.

12.2 Staff/Consultant Presentations

12.2.1 Mike Beattie, Orangeville Business Improvement Area, Chair - 2025 Orangeville Business Improvement Area Annual Report

Mike Beattie, Chair, Orangeville Business Improvement Area (OBIA), provided a presentation with respect to the 2025 OBIA Annual report. Mr. Beattie spoke to the OBIA mandate, strategic pillars, 2024 accomplishments, parking, special projects, plans for 2025, 2024 financial report, 2025 budget, and answered questions from Council.

Resolution 2025-013

Moved by Deputy Mayor Taylor Seconded by Councillor Andrews

That Council receive the Orangeville Business Improvement Area (OBIA) 2023 Audited Financial Statements; and

That Council approve the OBIA 2024 Preliminary Financial Report; and

That Council approve the OBIA 2025 Budget of \$605,300, including a BIA Levy of \$515,500, other revenue of \$69,800 and a contribution from reserves of \$20,000.

Carried Unanimously

13. Consent Agenda

Resolution 2025-014

Moved by Councillor Macintosh Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That all Consent Agenda items for the current Council Meeting listed under 13.1 Staff Reports, 13.2 Correspondence, and 13.3 Committee/Board Minutes, be received or approved as presented with the exception of the items removed for individual consideration.

Items removed: 13.1.2, 13.1.4, 13.1.6, and 13.1.7.

Carried

13.1 Staff Reports

13.1.1 Age Friendly Committee 2024 Annual Report and Proposed 2025 Work Plan, CMS-2025-002

That report CMS-2025-002, Age Friendly Committee 2024 Annual Report and Proposed 2025 Work Plan, be received; and

That the 2025 Work Plan for the Age Friendly Committee, be approved.

Carried through consent

13.1.2 Construction of the Orangeville Fire Station – Next Steps (Descoping), CMS-2025-004

Resolution 2025-015

Moved by Councillor Andrews Seconded by Councillor Prendergast

That report, CMS-2025-004, Construction of the Orangeville Fire Station - Next Steps (Descoping), be received; and

That Council authorize the change order, in the amount of \$213,895.00 plus applicable taxes, issued by Alaimo Architecture Inc. to re-design elements of the Orangeville Fire Station project in relation to the descoping exercise.

Yes (6): Mayor Post, Deputy Mayor Taylor, Councillor Andrews, Councillor Macintosh, Councillor Prendergast, and Councillor Sherwood

No (1): Councillor Stevens

Carried (6 to 1)

Note: Council recessed from 8:30 p.m. to 8:39 p.m.

13.1.3 Heritage Orangeville Committee Update, CPS-2025-010

That report CPS-2025-010, Heritage Orangeville Committee Update, be received; and

That Council direct staff to advertise to fill three (3) vacancies on Heritage Orangeville.

Carried through consent

13.1.4 Additional Residential Units (ARU) & 2024 Final Building Permit Report, INS-2025-005

Resolution 2025-016

Moved by Councillor Andrews Seconded by Councillor Prendergast

That report INS-2025-005, Additional Residential Units (ARU) & 2024 Final Building Permit Report, be received.

Carried

13.1.5 Infrastructure Services Staff Proposed Budget Adjustments for Three Capital Projects, INS-2025-006

That report INS-2025-006, Infrastructure Services Staff Proposed Budget Adjustment for Three Capital Projects, be received; and

That Council increase the 2024 expenditure budget by \$100,000 for Project No. 26057.0000 – PXO-Wellington and Broadway and fund the increase from the General Capital Reserve; and

That Council increase the 2024 expenditure budget by \$20,000 Project No. 25017.0000 – Traffic Signal Upgrades and fund the increase from the General Capital Reserve; and

That Council reallocate 2024 expenditure budget of \$212,000, funded from Water Capital Reserve, from Project No. 26008.0000 – Standpipe Cleaning & Painting to Project No. 26046.0000 – Watermain and Valve Replacement - Rotary Park.

Carried through consent

13.1.6 Decision Recommendation for Town-initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, File: OPZ-2024-01, INS-2025-007

Resolution 2025-017

Moved by Councillor Sherwood Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That report INS-2025-007, Decision Recommendation for Town-initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, File: OPZ-2024-01, be received; and

That Council pass a by-law included as Attachment No. 1 to this report, to adopt Amendment No. 133 to the Town of Orangeville Official Plan, to update Town-wide policies for additional residential units; and

That Council pass a by-law included as Attachment No. 2 to this report, to amend Zoning By-law No. 22-90, as amended, to add new standards for additional residential units and make other housekeeping updates.

Carried

13.1.7 2024 Transit Ridership Update, INS-2025-009

Resolution 2025-018

Moved by Deputy Mayor Taylor Seconded by Councillor Prendergast

That report INS-2025-009, 2024 Transit Ridership Update, be received.

Carried

13.1.8 York Street Heritage Conservation District Work Plan and Municipal Heritage Register Review, INS-2025-011

That report INS-2025-011, York Street Heritage Conservation District Work Plan and Municipal Heritage Register Review, be received; and

That staff and the Town's external peer review consultants proceed to initiate the Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study process for the York Street neighbourhood pursuant to the work plan outlined in this report; and

That staff proceed with retaining a Heritage Planning Student and engaging the Town's consulting team to undertake the Municipal Heritage Register review as described in this report; and

That Council authorize staff to utilize up to \$18,000 of 2025 Planning Operating Budget Consulting Fees towards the cost of the Heritage Planning Student; and

That Council amend the budget for capital project 11826.0000 by increasing the expenditure budget by \$63,000, funded from the General Capital Reserve.

Carried through consent

13.2 Correspondence

- 13.2.1 Murray Short, Engagement Partner, RLB Pre-Communication to Orangeville Council
- 13.2.2 Matthew Smith, McCarthy Street Infrastructure Services Staff Proposed Budget Adjustments for Three Capital Projects, INS-2025-006
- 13.3 Committee/Board Minutes
 - 13.3.1 2024-11-19 Age Friendly Minutes
 - 13.3.2 2024-11-19 Orangeville OPP Detachment Board Minutes
- 14. Notice of Motion Prior to Meeting
 - 14.1 Mayor Post Feasibility Study for Highway 407

Note: Deputy Mayor Taylor assumed the role of the Chair at 8:51 p.m.

Resolution 2025-019

Moved by Mayor Post Seconded by Councillor Andrews

Whereas road safety has been identified as a priority for Town of Orangeville Council, staff, and residents; and

Whereas significant increases in truck traffic on Highway 10 have led to safety concerns along the entire corridor from Melancthon down to the southern point of Caledon; and

Whereas trucking companies avoid Highway 407 due to its tolls, leading to higher volumes of traffic on other roads and highways; and

Whereas a pilot project to subsidize truck lanes on Highway 407 would provide valuable insights into the economic and road safety impact of diverting truck traffic to the 407; and

Therefore be it resolved that the Town of Orangeville support the City of Vaughan's recent resolution to request that the Province of

Ontario to implement a one-year pilot program that will subsidize or eliminate tolls for dedicated truck lanes on Highway 407, evaluating the impact on overall transportation efficiency and road safety; and

Be it further resolved that a copy of this motion be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Dufferin-Caledon MPP, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Steven Del Duca, Mayor of the City of Vaughan and all Dufferin municipalities

Carried Unanimously

14.2 Mayor Post - Prioritizing Canadian Companies and Products in Procurement

Resolution 2025-020

Moved by Mayor Post Seconded by Councillor Macintosh

Whereas the Town of Orangeville is committed to supporting Canadian businesses and strengthening the local, provincial, and national economy; and

Whereas recent tariff actions imposed by US President Donald Trump may have significant economic impacts on Canadian industries, businesses, and supply chains; and

Whereas municipalities have a role to play in supporting economic resilience by prioritizing procurement practices that favour Canadian companies and products wherever possible;

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct staff to review the Town of Orangeville's procurement policies and procedures to ensure that priority is given to Canadian companies and products, where feasible and compliant with trade agreements; and

Be it further resolved that Council direct staff to monitor and report back on the findings and recommendations of municipal partners, including the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Canoe Procurement Group, and other relevant organizations, to ensure alignment with best practices and advocacy efforts.

Carried Unanimously

Note: Mayor Post assumed the role of the Chair at 8:57 p.m.

15. Notice of Motion at Meeting

None.

16. Announcements

Councillor Andrews emphasized the importance of patriotism and requested that Council members wear their Canadian Flag pins during each Council meeting.

Councillor Sherwood advised that The Beaver Club is playing at Theatre Orangeville until February 23, 2025.

Councillor Sherwood noted the upcoming events:

- February 17 to 23, 2025 Heritage Week. There is a display at the Alder Street Recreation Centre during Heritage Week.
- February 18, 2025 Historical Chit Chat at Mochaberry commencing at 6:00 p.m.
- February 25, 2025 Ontario SPCA Cupcake Day.

Mayor Post noted the upcoming events:

- February 17, 2025 2025 Polar Plunge for Special Olympics (hosted in Shelburne).
- February 22, 2025 Coldest Night of the Year, annual fundraiser for the Orangeville Food Bank.

17. By-Laws

Resolution 2025-021

Moved by Councillor Sherwood Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That all by-laws for the current Council Meeting listed under item 17. By-laws, be read three times and finally passed.

Carried Unanimously

17.1 A by-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the purpose of enforcing the Town's Animal Control By-law, for the Town of Orangeville and to repeal By-law 2024-059

- 17.2 A by-law to adopt amendment no. 133 to the Official Plan, being a Town-initiated amendment to add additional residential unit policies
- 17.3 A by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 22-90, as amended (Town of Orangeville Town-wide Zoning By-law Amendments) File No. OPZ 2024-01
- 17.4 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville at its regular Council Meeting held on February 10, 2025
- 18. Adjournment

Resolution 2025-022

Moved by Councillor Macintosh Seconded by Councillor Prendergast

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Carried
Lisa Post, Mayor
Raylene Martell, Town Clerk