



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
April 8th, 2025

PRESENT: Narry Paquette, Chair Jason Corbett
Donna Clark Dan MacInnis
Steve Featherstone

STAFF PRESENT: Andrée Gagné, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
Alex Hackenbrook, Public Works Manager
Nicky Kunkel, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

1. Call to Order

Motion 1

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT this meeting be opened at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

THAT the agenda presented to Council and dated the 8th day of April 2025, be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Adoption of Previous Minutes

Motion 3

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 25th, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. Presentation & Delegations

Norman Sheppard presented a proposal to Council on establishing a Community Garden in Rutherglen again. He obtained estimates to set up fencing to protect the garden from wildlife and will volunteer his time to get this going. Council are in favor of restarting the garden at the Rutherglen Park. However, the estimates for material of \$2,100 are higher than the budgeted amount of \$400.00 that is levied for the gardens. Council agreed to lend the snow fence from public works until his desired fencing can be obtained. It was suggested that requests for donations may be appropriate for him to pursue to get the community garden started.

6. Question Period



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7. Staff Reports

7.a Public Works Manager - Report to Council - Landfill - Recycling Update April 8th 2025

Motion 4

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

That Council for The Township of Bonfield receives this report and all information contained within it to stay informed regarding the updated provincially mandated recycling practices.

Carried

8. Adoption of Committee Minutes/ Motions – None for this session

9. Items for Council Discussion – None for this session

10. Resolutions to be Considered for Adoption

10.a Municipality of East Ferris - Standing for Canada

Motion 5

Moved by Councillor MacInnis

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Municipality of East Ferris call to action to the federal and provincial governments to Stand for Canada, to buy Canadian and therefore remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for products and services when appropriate and feasible and encourages the provincial and federal governments to remove trade barriers between provinces in support of Canadian businesses.

Carried

10.b Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury - Motion to Request Landlord Tenant Reforms

Motion 6

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury requesting the provincial government to look at ways to implement balanced reforms that protect both small-scale landlords and tenants and ensuring fairness in the rental market.

Carried

10.c Town of Amaranth – Buy Local and Canadian

Motion 7

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Township of Amaranth in encouraging all Township residents to “Buy Local and Canadian”.

Carried



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10.d Township of Selwyn – U.S. Tariffs on Canada Purchasing Policies

Motion 8

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

THAT the Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Township of Selwyn in urging the federal and provincial governments to take all necessary actions to protect Ontario's interests in trade negotiations with the U.S. and investigate purchasing policies

Carried

11. Correspondence

Motion 9

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT Council receives the Correspondence circulated with the Agenda of April 8th, 2025.

Carried

12. Closed Session – None for this session

13. Confirmatory By-Law

Motion 10

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT the Council for the Township of Bonfield hereby adopts By-Law 2025-20 to confirm the proceedings of Council from March 25th, 2025 to April 8th, 2025, as presented and is considered read three times and passed this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

14. Adjournment

Motion 11

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Carried

MAYOR

CLERK