



**CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE**

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Held in Council Chambers, 285 County Road 44

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A. HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING

The Open Session of the Council meeting will take place in Council Chambers beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The Closed Session of the Council Meeting will take place in Meeting Room 1 beginning at 3:00 p.m.

The Open Session of the Council meeting will be live streamed on YouTube commencing at 6:30 p.m. To view the live stream visit:

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To make a deputation in relation to an item on the agenda, please pre-register with the Clerk's Office at the same e-mail address. Please provide your comments no later than two hours prior to the start of the meeting.

If you require accommodation, please advise the Clerk when pre-registering so that we may best assist you.

B. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

C. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Municipality of North Grenville acknowledges that the Municipality operates on the territory of the Anishnabek.

We recognize all First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples who now call North Grenville their home. We respect and support the need for cultivating a strong relationship, and we commit to Indigenous-informed decision making to foster the path towards reconciliation.

D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

The agenda for the Regular Council Meeting held April 2nd, 2024 be approved as presented.

E. CLOSED SESSION

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

Council proceed to Closed Session pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Subsection (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality - specifically land acquisition for a multi-use pathway; Subsection (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees - specifically an application to the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee; and Section 239(3.1) Education or training of the council, a local board or committee - specifically conflict of interest training for Council.

E.1 Land Acquisition - Lands for Multiuse Pathway

E.2 Identifiable Individual - Application to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee

E.3 Training - Conflict of Interest Training Session

F. OUT OF CLOSED

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

Council come out of Closed Session AND

Direct staff as instructed during Closed Session.

G. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

H. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

None.

H.1 North Grenville Historical Society

Karen Nickleson & David Shanahan

H.2 Green Shirt Day

Ethan Bos

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under Consent agenda are considered routine or no longer require a further discussion and are enacted in one motion. The exception to this rule is that a Member may request that one or more items be pulled for discussion and voted on separately.

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

The following consent agenda items be approved as presented:

1. 2024 Budget By-Law [See Item K.5.1]
2. Significant Resolution from Environmental Action Advisory Committee [See Item L.1]
3. Significant Resolution from Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee [See Item L.2]
4. South Nation Board of Directors Meeting Minutes - February 15, 2024 [See Item L.3]
5. Support for Keeping Energy Costs Down Act [See Item L.4]

J. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS - CONSENT

K. REPORTS

- K.1 Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
- K.2 Client Services
- K.3 Corporate Services
- K.4 Emergency and Protective Services
- K.5 Finance

K.5.1	2024 Budget By-Law - CONSENT	11
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Recommendation:

THAT Council approve and enact By-Law 27-24 a by-law to set the 2024 Municipal Budgets including Operating, Capital, Water and Wastewater, and the North Grenville Library.

K.5.2	North Grenville Historical Society Heritage Reserve Fund Draw Request	22
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Recommendation:

THAT Council:

1. Approve an additional payment to the North Grenville Historical Society in the amount of \$2113.89 for fifty percent (50%) of the additional 2024 rents at Alumni Hall at the Kemptville Campus;
2. Authorize staff to amend the Agreement between the Municipality of North Grenville and the North Grenville Historical Society to accept the additional rental space that the Historical Society will occupy commencing April 1, 2024 until the end of the lease in 2027; AND
3. Authorize the Mayor and CAO to execute the Amending Agreement.

K.6 Parks, Recreation, and Culture

K.7 Planning and Development

K.8 Public Works

L. CORRESPONDENCE

L.1	Significant Resolution - EAAC - CONSENT	25
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Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

Council direct staff to report back within one (1) year on the Environmental Action Advisory Committee Resolution EAAC-2024-07

L.2	Significant Resolution - HACAC - CONSENT	26
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Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

Council accepts the recommendation from the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee contained in resolution ACHAC-2024-06.

L.3	South Nation Board of Directors Meeting Minutes - February 15, 2024 - CONSENT	27
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Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

Council accept the South Nation Conservation Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of February 15, 2024.

L.4	Support for Keeping Energy Costs Down Act - CONSENT	35
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Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

Council support the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal Resolution R2024-067: Supporting the Keeping Energy Costs Down Act.

M. OTHER BUSINESS

N. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

O. INTRODUCTION & CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

P. PERIOD FOR QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & MEDIA RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS

Q. CLOSE OF MEETING

Q.1	Confirmation By-Law	37
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Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

By-Law 28-24 to confirm the proceedings of Council at its regular meeting held on April 2, 2024 be adopted and passed.

Q.2 Resolution to Adjourn

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that:

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at _____ p.m.

North Grenville Historical Society

**Delegation to Council
Municipality of North Grenville
April 2, 2024**

North Grenville Historical Society

Background Information:

- Evolved from amalgamation of Oxford-on-Rideau (pre-dates NG) & Kemptville H.S.
- Curating North Grenville history for approximately 50 years
- Moved from Acton's Corners for health concerns (black mold) 2007
- Resident of Courthouse until 2022

North Grenville Historical Society

Volunteer hours 2023 – approx. 3,300

Volunteers = 35; 30 regular volunteers

Membership = 107 (paid members)

KidsKlub = 20 participants per event (kids and parents) x 10 events per year

North Grenville Historical Society

Halloween BIA event = 450 gift bags (150 lip balms)

Public Meetings – average about 30 guests per event (can accommodate up to 40 tightly)

Kemptville Quilters Guild – joint venture with Guild; 200 books printed; approx 140 sold to date

Social media – Facebook (1,300 followers)

North Grenville Historical Society

Community Involvement:

- Antiques Roadshow
- Archaeological Open House
- Canada Day
- Photographs & artifacts at Municipal Centre, local restaurants
- Dandelion Festival
- Remembrance Day
- Heritage awards

North Grenville Historical Society

Current Holdings:

- Official documents of local government; local schools
- Photographs, maps
- Important local families' papers – e.g. G. Howard Ferguson & Beckett
- Land title records
- Historical artifacts – e.g. spinning wheels, postal boxes, clothing
- Local original newspapers 1890 - 1998

North Grenville Historical Society

Publications:

- All Around the Town
- Kemptville Past & Present
- School Days Past
- Butter the Size of an Egg
- Stories from the South Branch
- Pictures of the Past
- Boyhood Memories
- Heritage Magazine
- The Way We Were
- Acton's Corners School 100 Anniversary

North Grenville Historical Society

Newest acquisitions:

- . Norenberg architectural drawings (approximately 1,000)
- . O'Neill collection (approx 100 pieces)
- . Anderson family collection (approx 20 larger items)
- . Pelton photographs
- . McIntosh Family
- . Ongoing collection of relevant material from Archive of Ontario & Library and Archives Canada

North Grenville Historical Society

Current Square Footage 930

Cost per square ft \$12.00 = \$11,160.00

Shared Facility Fees 930 x \$2.39 = \$2,222.70

Internet 12 x \$60.00 = \$720.00

Sub Total \$14,102.70

HST \$1,833.35

Total \$15,936.05

Monthly \$1,328.00 (Shared costs = \$664.00)

Total for 3 year lease = \$47,808.15

North Grenville Historical Society

Proposed Square Footage 1,190

Cost per square ft \$12.00 = \$14,280.00

Shared Facility Fees 1,190 x \$2.39 = \$2,844.10

Internet 12 months x \$60.00 = \$720.00

Sub Total \$17,844.10

HST \$2,319.73

Total \$20,163.83

Monthly \$1,680.32 (Shared costs = \$840.16)

Total for 3 year lease = \$60,491.49



Municipality of North Grenville

To: **Council**

Meeting Date: April 2, 2024

Subject: 2024 Budget By-Law

Report No: FIN-2024-004

Prepared by: Chloe Preston, Municipal Clerk

Recommendation(s)

THAT Council approve and enact By-Law 27-24 a by-law to set the 2024 Municipal Budgets including Operating, Capital, Water and Wastewater, and the North Grenville Library.

Executive Summary

Purpose

- To pass the 2024 budget by-law formalizing the municipal operating, capital and water and wastewater budgets for the year

Key Findings

- In order to finalize the previous decision of council to pass the budget, a by-law is required

Financial Implications

- The budget is the single most important policy document of Council each financial year.

Background/Analysis

Staff presented the budget to Council earlier in the year as well as a modified budget following direction from Council. At the February 20th Council Meeting, Council passed the 2024 Water and Wastewater portion of the Municipal Budget. At the March 5th Regular

Council Meeting, Council approved the 2024 Municipal Operating and Capital Budget. To formalize the budgetary process, a by-law to adopt the budgets is required.

Relevance to Strategic Priorities

Strategic Pillar	4	Efficient Governance and Service Delivery
Goal	4.4	Commit to continuous improvement
Key Action	4.4.4	Enhance talent development and leverage existing knowledge and expertise to support strengthened municipal provision.

Options and Discussion

1. Approve the recommendation – recommended by staff. Passing the budget by-law is the final step in the budget process annually
2. Do not approve the recommendation – not recommended by staff. Failing to pass a budget by-law stalls the budgetary process.

Financial Impact

This item has been identified in the current budget: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

This item is within the budgeted amount: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Staffing implications, as they relate to implementing Council's decision on this matter, are limited to the existing staff complement and applicable administrative policies as approved by Council.

Internal/External Consultation

Municipal Staff have consulted inter-departmentally and cross departmentally to prepare the draft budgets for Council and public consideration. The Municipality hosted two (2) Public Information Sessions to allow for the public input into the budget deliberation process. Information gathered in the sessions has been relayed to staff and Council. Any additional considerations would need to be provided by Council to amend the draft budgets.

Communications

Communication relating to the decisions of Council will be posted on the municipal website.

Attachments

- Draft By-Law 27-24

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

BY-LAW NO. 27-24

A By-Law to Set the 2024 Municipal Budgets

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act 2001*, as amended, requires the council of every municipality in each year to prepare and adopt estimates of all sums required during the year for the purposes of the Corporation;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Municipality of North Grenville hereby enacts as follows:

1. The 2024 estimates for Water & Wastewater expenditures for municipal purposes only, attached hereto as Schedule “A” are hereby adopted.
2. The 2024 estimates of Operating expenditures for municipal purposes only, attached hereto as Schedule “B”, are hereby adopted.
3. The 2024 estimates of Capital expenditures for municipal purposes only, attached hereto as Schedule “C”, are hereby adopted.
4. The 2024 estimates of the North Grenville Public Library Board attached hereto as Schedule “D”, are hereby adopted.
5. If a surplus exists as of December 31, 2024, it shall be addressed in accordance with the North Grenville Reserve and Reserve Fund Policy.
6. The Clerk of the Municipality of North Grenville is hereby authorized to make any minor modifications or corrections of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantically or descriptive nature or kind to the by-law and schedule(s) as may be deemed necessary after the passage of this by-law, where such modifications or corrections do not alter the intent of the by-law.
7. This by-law shall come into effect on the date of passing.

PASSED AND ENACTED
THIS 2nd DAY OF APRIL 2024.

NANCY PECKFORD
Mayor

CHLOE PRESTON
Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

SCHEDULE “A” TO BY-LAW NO. 27-24

2024 Water & Waste Water Operating

Category	2023 Budget	2024 Budget	%Growth	\$ Growth
Expense				
Salaries & Benefits	1,489,694	1,640,213	10.10%	150,519
Materials & Supplies	343,463	359,760	4.70%	16,297
Contracted Property Services	893,400	1,070,567	19.80%	177,167
Contracted Professional Services	253,703	308,711	21.70%	55,008
Other Costs	62,000	63,240	2.00%	1,240
Fiscal Expenses	184,166	176,629	-4.10%	-7,537
Debt Servicing & Transfers	1,310,375	1,014,351	-22.60%	-296,024
Total Expenses	4,536,800	4,633,470	2.10%	96,670
Revenue				
Transfer from Reserves (Campus)	-	50,000	-	50,000
User Fees	4,536,800	4,583,470	1.00%	46,670
Total Revenue	4,536,800	4,633,470	2.10%	96,670
Balanced Budget	-	-		-

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

SCHEDULE “A” TO BY-LAW NO. 27-28

Project By Category	Amount (\$)
Equipment	499,489
Fleet	57,000
Buildings	30,015,000
Existing Infrastructure	3,381,693
Total	33,953,182

2024 Water & Waste Water Capital Budget By Department

Department	Amount (\$)
Water	1,626,499
Waste Water	32,326,683
Total	33,953,182

2024 Water & Waste Water Capital Budget

Funding Source	Amount (\$)
Tax Revenue	-
Debt Financing	30,000,000
Reserves	1,368,398
Other Revenue (Water Billing)	1,473,986
Development Charges	1,110,797
Total	33,953,182

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 27-24

Category	2023 Budget	2024 Budget	%Growth	\$ Growth
Salaries & Benefits	10,486,883	11,004,102	4.90%	517,219
Materials & Supplies	1,302,265	1,349,765	3.60%	47,500
Insurance	644,828	725,200	12.50%	80,373
Contracted Property Services	2,725,477	2,939,900	7.90%	214,423
Contracted Professional Services	7,127,916	7,258,914	1.80%	130,998
Other Costs	1,697,832	1,694,527	-0.20%	-3,305
Fiscal Expenses	557,844	568,932	2.00%	11,088
Debt Servicing & Transfers	2,394,394	2,394,769	0%	0
Total Expenses	26,937,442	27,936,109	3.70%	998,666
<u>Revenue</u>				
Transfer from Reserves	1,009,098	1,001,436	-0.8	-7,662
Taxation	17,971,438	18,665,123	3.90%	693,685
User Fees	4,241,954	3,850,324	-9.20%	-391,630
Grants	2,663,078	2,669,773	0.30%	6,695
Transfer from DC's	255,000	255,000	-	-
Other Revenues	796,875	1,494,453	87.50%	697,578
Total Revenue	26,937,442	27,936,109	3.70%	998,666
Balanced Budget	-	-		-
Balanced Budget	-	-		-

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

SCHEDULE “C” TO BY-LAW NO. 27-24

Project By Category	Amount (\$)
Buildings	1,131,565
Equipment	86,300
Existing Infrastructure Rehab	482,914
Fleet	917,000
Other	1,717,766
Roads & Bridges	2,618,665
Streetlights & Sidewalks	2,246,989
Total	9,201,199

2024 Municipal Capital Budget By Department

Department	Amount (\$)
Public Works	5,830,133
Parks & Recreation	1,816,766
Facilities	610,000
Emergency & Protective Services	468,300
NGMC Building	465,000
Other	11,000
Total	9,201,199

2023 Municipal Capital Funding

Funding Source	Amount (\$)
Tax Revenue	3,224,165
Grants	2,688,572
Reserves	2,175,975
Other Revenue	400,000
Development Charges	712,487
Total	9,201,199

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

SCHEDULE “D” TO BY-LAW NO. 27-24

Category	Budget	2024
<u>Expense</u>		
Salaries & Benefits		518,000
Collections & Resources		46,700
Programs & Services		3,300
Burritts Rapids Building/Facility		5,852
Administration, Equipment & IT		55,925
Total Expenses		629,777
<u>Revenue</u>		
Municipal Grant		533,533
Development Fees Transfer		5000
Grants (Fed/Prov/Misc)		42,244
Fees, Contracts, Donations, Misc		49,000
Total Revenue		629,777



Municipality of North Grenville

To: **Council**

Meeting Date: April 2, 2024

Subject: North Grenville Historical Society Heritage Reserve Fund Draw Request

Report No: FIN-2024-002

Prepared by: Dave Dancey, Deputy Treasurer

Recommendation(s)

THAT Council:

1. Approve an additional payment to the North Grenville Historical Society in the amount of \$2113.89 for fifty percent (50%) of the additional 2024 rents at Alumni Hall at the Kemptville Campus;
2. Authorize staff to amend the Agreement between the Municipality of North Grenville and the North Grenville Historical Society to accept the additional rental space that the Historical Society will occupy commencing April 1, 2024 until the end of the lease in 2027; AND
3. Authorize the Mayor and CAO to execute the Amending Agreement.

Executive Summary

Purpose

- To approve an additional payment to the Historical Society in the amount of \$2,113.89 representing 50% of the additional rental space the society intends to occupy at the Alumni Building on the Kemptville Campus
- To authorize staff to amend the existing agreement with the Historical Society to reflect the additional space as well as the municipality's commitment to cover half the rent of all rented space at Alumni Hall for the remainder of the rental term

Key Findings

- The North Grenville Historical Society provides a pivotal service in our community through the housing of the historical archives, including some municipal archives

- Additional space was identified as needed by the Historical Society to continue to expand their archive in North Grenville which the Kemptville Campus is able to accommodate.

Financial Implications

- The Municipality currently has an Agreement to cost share rents for the North Grenville Historical Society for properties at 148 Prescott Street and at the Kemptville Campus which has a term until 2027.
- The 2024 budget allocated \$26,000 to cover both leases.

Background/Analysis

The Municipality of North Grenville has a long-standing support relationship with the North Grenville Historical Society, specifically in the financial support the Municipality provides for their rental spaces to house the historical archives of North Grenville.

The Historical Society has identified a need for additional spaces to expand their operations. The Kemptville Campus has additional space to provide to accommodate this request. As a result, the Historical Society is seeking additional support from the Municipality, as an extension of the current agreement, to cover fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the additional space.

Relevance to Strategic Priorities

Strategic Pillar	2	A Strong, Connected, and Vibrant Community
Goal	2.1	Strengthen Community Engagement
Key Action	2.1.1	Foster engagement and partnerships among community organizations and leverage benefits of partner organizations, including on organizing events, art and culture, and improving face-to-face and digital town halls etc.

Options and Discussion

1. Approve the recommendation. This would result in an overspending of the current line item for Cultural Cost Center, however, the Administrative Budget Adjustments Section of the Budgets and Financial Controls Policy allows for overspending within a line item of up to 25%, so long as it does not result in an overall budget increase of 1%, that can be reconciled at the end of the year with identified variances in the overall operating budget.
2. Council could authorize an alternative funding source, under the Heritage Reserve Fund given the archive is a program eligible under the Heritage Reserve Fund Policy. However, staff do not recommend authorizing a reserve draw for minor amount given the associated paperwork involved.

3. Do not approve the recommendation – this is not recommended. Without cost-sharing from the municipality, the Historical Society will not be able to expand into the additional space they require.

Financial Impact

This item has been identified in the current budget: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

This item is within the budgeted amount: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Staffing implications, as they relate to implementing Council's decision on this matter, are limited to the existing staff complement and applicable administrative policies as approved by Council.

The additional allocation of \$2,113.89 would result in an overspending of the current line item for Cultural Cost Center, however, the Administrative Budget Adjustments Section of the Budgets and Financial Controls Policy allows for overspending within a line item of up to 25%, so long as it does not result in an overall budget increase of 1%, that can be reconciled at the end of the year with identified variances in the overall operating budget.

Internal/External Consultation

Senior staff have been consulted regarding the applicability of a reserve draw in relation to the adopted municipal policy for the reserve fund.

Communications

Communication relating to the decisions of Council will be posted on the municipal website.

Attachments

- None

The motions are as follows:

- 1) That the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville update By-Laws No. 46-70 and No. 33-00 to be compliant with Provincial environmental legislation and regulations, and
- 2) That the said by-laws comply with Federal environmental legislation and regulations, and
- 3) That said by-laws incorporate and reflect current environmental approaches that protect and enhance biodiversity in the Municipality, both urban and rural areas, and
- 4) That said by-laws be founded on scientific evidence-based principles and incorporate international environmental nature-based approaches throughout the Municipality, both urban and rural, that apply techniques that pre-empt and mitigate the effects of adverse weather and climate change, for example, swales (shallow, broad and vegetated channels designed to store and/or convey runoff and remove pollutants.), to protect infrastructure, etc., and
- 5) That the Municipality embark on public education and promotion of nature-based solutions to protect infrastructure, and remediate adverse effects of climate change, excessive heat, ice storms, and heavy rains, not limited to the generality foregoing, and
- 6) That the Municipality make available public education resources through communication and public channels, for residents to use and assist in the community-wide action by converting one-third of their existing lawns to bio-diverse and climate change mitigating garden habitats as groupings of native and non-invasive neo-native plant species (including grasses, forbs, shrubs, and trees) by 2030, and
- 7) The Municipality explore the viability of requesting property developers.
 - a. To rescind existing covenants requiring homeowners to keep and tend lawns, and
 - b. Cease to impose lawn covenants in future.
- 8) That the Municipality explore the creation of a position dedicated to Environmental Affairs.

EAAC-2024-07

Moved By: Philip Fredrick Fry

Seconded By: Peter Fredrichs

That the EAAC recommend to Council to consider the eight motions presented.

Carried

ACHAC-2024-06

Moved by Ardis Lerner
Seconded by Inge VanGemenen

The Committee reviewed the amendments that Members Inge VanGemenen and Ardis Lerner presented to the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee Terms of Reference. The Committee recommends to Council to adopt the revised Terms of Reference for the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee with following further amendments:

- 1) The opening paragraph under Purpose that reads; The purpose of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee is to assist the Municipality in an advisory capacity regarding matters of artistic, architectural, cultural* and natural heritage. Will now read as; The purpose of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee is to assist the Municipality in an advisory capacity regarding matters of art, architecture, culture* and heritage.
- 2) The first line in the second paragraph that reads; There is general acknowledgement that the arts and cultural activities in North Grenville, as well as its' built and natural historic features, provide an opportunity for economic benefit. Will now read as; There is general acknowledgement that the arts and cultural activities in North Grenville, as well as its built and natural historic features, provide an opportunity for social and economic benefit.
- 3) Under Purpose a), the asterisks will be removed, as will the asterisked paragraph at the bottom of the section.
- 4) Under Purpose d), it reads as; Have regard to the shared priorities of the Community Strategic Plan, the Committee Handbook, and Procedural By-Laws. Will now read as: Have regard to the shared priorities of the Community Strategic Plan, the Committee Handbook, Procedural By-Laws and other relevant plans and documents.
- 5) The second paragraph under Committee Chair that reads; The Co-Chairs will have a concurrent four-year term. In the absence of the Co-Chairs, the Committee shall appoint an Acting Chair. Will now read; The elected Committee Co-Chair will have one-year term minimum. In the absence of the Co-Chairs, the Committee will appoint an acting Chair.
- 6) Under Quorum, the sentence that reads; If quorum during a meeting is not achieved, the committee may proceed with discussion items, but may not make any decisions nor take any actions on behalf of the Committee. Will be removed.

CARRIED.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Meeting No. 02/24

Thursday, February 15th, 2024 – 9:54 a.m.

Watershed Room, SNC

Directors Present:

Pierre Leroux, Prescott Russell, Chair
Steve Densham, Stormont Dundas Glengarry, Vice Chair
George Darouze, City of Ottawa, Past Chair
Genevieve Lajoie, Prescott Russell
Linda Payant, City of Ottawa
Bill Smirle, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
Tom Smyth, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
François St. Amour, Prescott Russell
Deb Wilson, Leeds Grenville
Adrian Wynands, Leeds Grenville

Regrets:

Catherine Kitts, City of Ottawa
Mathew Luloff, City of Ottawa

Staff Present:

Carl Bickerdike, Chief Administrative Officer
Ronda Boutz, Secretary-Treasurer
Michelle Cavanagh, Team Lead, Special Projects
Phillip Dagenais, Water Resources Specialist, Monitoring
Donna Ferguson, Accounting Technician
Caroline Goulet, Forester
James Holland, Senior Planner
Sandra Mancini, Managing Director, Natural Hazards and Infrastructure
Alison McDonald, Managing Director, Approvals
Eric McGill, Corporate Counsel
John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands and Community Outreach

Guests:

Owen Murdoch, Councillor Darouze's Assistant, City of Ottawa



TRADITIONAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands and Community Outreach, read an Indigenous land acknowledgement.

CHAIRS REMARKS

Pierre Leroux, Chair, called the SNC Board of Directors meeting of February 15th, 2024 to order at 9:54 a.m.

APPROVAL OF SNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAIN AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-019/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The members approve the February 15th, 2024 Board of Directors main and supplemental agendas with the following amendments:

- Main Agenda Item # 7f., Timeline Report for Permissions Under Section 28 be removed and replaced with Supplemental Agenda Item #1 a.
- Supplemental Agenda item 2 a. Closed Session: Land Donation be moved to follow item 12.a in the main agenda.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

SNC PROJECT UPDATE – POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Staff presented project and program updates.

Bill Smirle joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL:

A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 18TH, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. BD-020/24

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: George Darouze



RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the Board of Directors meeting minutes of January 18th, 2024 as submitted.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: FUNDING SUBMISSIONS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-021/24

Moved by: Adrian Wynands
Seconded by: Genevieve Lajoie

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approves the submission of a funding application to the Tourism Growth Program requesting \$250,000 for the Revitalization of the Findlay Creek Boardwalk.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: WATER AND EROSION INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT EXPENDITURE

RESOLUTION NO. BD-022/24

Moved by: François St. Amour
Seconded by: Bill Smirle

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve retaining A.M.B. Lift Inc. services the Chesterville Dam – Log Lifter Restoration Phase 2 project at approximately \$48,000 plus HST.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: WOODLOT STORM RECOVERY PROGRAM DISBURSEMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-023/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Steve Densham

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve undertaking and disbursement of funds for the Woodlot Storm Recovery Program to an upset limit of \$500,000 for 2024; and



FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Directors delegate authority to the Chief Administrative Officer to approve eligible expenditures above \$25,000.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: 2024 SNC FLOOD CONTINGENCY PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. BD-024/24

Moved by: Genevieve Lajoie
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the 2024 South Nation Conservation Flood Contingency Plan.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: MONIES RECEIVED AND DISBURSEMENT REGISTER FOR JANUARY 2024

RESOLUTION NO. BD-025/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the money received report for January 2024; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board approve the Disbursement Register of \$879,778.42.

CARRIED

UPDATE: PERMITS ISSUED

RESOLUTION NO. BD-026/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the update on permits issued under Ontario Regulation 170/06 for January 2024.

CARRIED



UPDATE: PLANNING

RESOLUTION NO. BD-027/24

Moved by: Genevieve Lajoie

Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Planning Activity update for January 2024.

CARRIED

UPDATE: ENFORCEMENT OF ONTARIO REGULATION 170/06

RESOLUTION NO. BD-028/24

Moved by: Steve Densham

Seconded by: Bill Smirle

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the update on reported regulation concerns for the month of January 2024.

CARRIED

UPDATE: ON-SITE SEWAGE PERMITS ISSUED

RESOLUTION NO. BD-029/24

Moved by: Linda Payant

Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the on-site sewage permits received update for January 2024.

CARRIED

UPDATE: 2024 CONFERENCES

RESOLUTION NO. BD-030/24

Moved by: George Darouze

Seconded by: Steve Densham

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the 2024 Conferences report; and



FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Directors coordinate their conference attendance with the Secretary-Treasurer.

CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

UPDATE: TIMELINE REPORT FOR PERMISSIONS UNDER SECTION 28

RESOLUTION NO. BD-031/24

Moved by: Adrian Wynands
Seconded by: Genevieve Lajoie

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Timeline Report for Permissions Under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: ADMINISTRATIVE BY-LAWS UPDATE

RESOLUTION NO. BD-032/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve amendments to South Nation Conservation's Administrative By-laws.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

DATES OF UCOMING MEETINGS, THIRD THURSDAY, AT 9:00 A.M. UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE:

- March 21st, 2024 (SNC AGM)
- April 18th, 2024
- May 16th, 2024
- June 20th, 2024
- July – no scheduled meeting

FUTURE MOTIONS OF THE BOARD AND/OR DISCUSSION OF SNC ISSUES

None.



CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-033/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors meeting move into Closed Session for the following reports below:

- a. Main Agenda Item #12 Request for Approval: Land Disposition.
- b. Supplemental Agenda item # 2 a. Request for Approval: Land Donation.

CARRIED

The Board of Directors convened closed session at 10:56 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-034/24

Moved by: Genevieve Lajoie
Seconded by: Bill Smirle

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors move into open Session.

CARRIED

The Board of Directors reconvened open session at 11:02 a.m.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: LAND DISPOSITION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-035/24

Moved by: Genevieve Lajoie
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the disposition of subject lands to the United Counties of Prescott-Russell for the purpose of rehabilitation of County Road 16.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: LAND DONATION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-036/24

Moved by: Deb Wilson
Seconded by: Tom Smyth



RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors accept the land donation
for Property 1 (North Glengarry).

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. BD-037/24

Moved by: George Darouze
Seconded by: Steve Densham

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors meeting of February 15th,
2024 be adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

CARRIED

Pierre Leroux,
Chair.

/rb

Carl Bickerdike,
Chief Administrative Officer.

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

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March 25, 2024

Resolution Number: 2024-

067

Moved By:

Seconded By:

WHEREAS access to natural gas is vital to residents and businesses in our community for affordability and reliability, and is a driver of economic development for the province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS expanding natural gas access to communities will help keep the cost of energy low for families, businesses and farmers, while at the same time improving economic development, housing, and creating thousands of new jobs; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a split decision which would increase the upfront cost to consumers of installing natural gas connections for new homes and small businesses, and could increase the cost of new homes in the province by tens of thousands of dollars, particularly in rural areas, which would limit customer heating choices and energy reliability in communities such as the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal; and

WHEREAS the government's *Keeping Energy Costs Down Act, 2024* would reverse the OEB's decision, and ensure that the province can build new homes and that all Ontario families and businesses can continue to access reliable and affordable energy when it is needed; and

WHEREAS the proposed legislation would maintain the existing treatment of gas transmission projects that are critical to the province's economic growth by ensuring new customers do not have to incur upfront financial contributions and update the OEB's Leave to Construct process to respond to concerns raised by municipalities around supporting critical housing projects and local economic development initiatives.

☐ Carried ☐ Defeated ☒ Unanimous

Mayor:

RECORDED VOTE REQUESTED BY:

NAME	YEA	NAY
Councillor J. Martelle		
Councillor W. Smail		
Councillor C. Ward		
Deputy Mayor S. Dillabough		
Mayor T. Deschamps		
TOTAL		

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

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March 25, 2024

Resolution Number: 2024- 067

Moved By: CAW

Seconded By: _____

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal:

1. Believes that natural gas must continue to play an integral role in meeting the energy needs of Ontario.
2. Calls on all provincial political parties to support natural gas expansion to communities in Ontario, which will keep costs down for families and businesses.
3. Supports the Ontario government's proposed legislation to maintain energy affordability and access via the *Keeping Energy Costs Down Act*.
4. Supports the work the Government of Ontario has done to date, including the Natural Gas Expansion Program and Electrification and Energy Transition Panel's call for a clear policy on the role of natural gas to secure access to affordable energy.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the President of AMO, Colin Best, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Todd Smith, the Minister of Energy, MPP Steve Clark, Member of Provincial Parliament for Leeds – Grenville – Thousand Islands & Rideau Lakes, all regional municipalities as significant actors to ensuring the need for natural gas in Ontario as part of a measured approach towards energy transition.

☐ Carried ☐ Defeated ☒ Unanimous

Mayor: [Signature]

RECORDED VOTE REQUESTED BY: _____

NAME	YEA	NAY
Councillor J. Martelle		
Councillor W. Smail		
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TOTAL		

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

BY-LAW NO. 28-24

*A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council
At its Regular Meeting held on April 2, 2024*

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act 2001* states that a municipal power including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges shall be exercised by by-law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville hereby enacts as follows that:

1. The action of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville at its regular meeting held on April 2, 2024, in respect of each recommendation contained in the report of the Committees and each motion and resolution passed and other action taken by Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville at its meeting be hereby adopted and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in the by-law.
2. The Mayor and the proper Officers of the Municipality are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required, and except where otherwise provided, the Mayor and Clerk are hereby directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf, and the said Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the corporate seal of the municipality to all such documents.

PASSED AND ENACTED ON THIS 2nd DAY
OF APRIL 2024.

NANCY PECKFORD
Mayor

CHLOE PRESTON
Clerk