



TOWN OF ERIN
Regular Council Meeting
AGENDA

March 3, 2015

1:00 PM

Municipal Council Chamber

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10. Closed Session

Matters under the following exemptions in the Municipal Act S. 239 (2) :

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or
local board employees;

(d) labour relations or employee negotiations

HR Matters (2)

11. Return from Closed Session

11.1 Motion to Reconvene

11.2 Report Out

12. By-Laws

Appoint Committee of Adjustment/Property Standards/Fence Viewers and
Livestock Evaluators

Authorization to Sign Boundary Road Agreement with Halton Hills

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13. Notice of Motion

14. Adjournment



Minutes of the Town of Erin Special Council Meeting

February 17, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Municipal Council Chamber

PRESENT:	Allan Alls	Mayor
	John Brennan	Councillor
	Matt Sammut	Councillor
	Rob Smith	Councillor
	Jeff Duncan	Councillor
STAFF	Kathryn Ironmonger	CAO/Town Manager
PRESENT:	Dina Lundy	Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Alls called the meeting to order.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Topics for Discussion

3.1. Integrity Commissioner - Yearly Report

The Integrity Commissioner gave his annual report to Council.

Resolution # 15-048

Moved By Councillor Smith

Seconded By Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that Council receives the Town of Erin Integrity Commissioner Annual Report 2014.

Carried

3.2. Integrity Commissioner Code of Ethics Orientation Presentation

02 17 2015 Special – Integrity Commissioner reports and orientation

The Integrity Commissioner gave his presentation to Council on the Town of Erin Council Code of Ethics highlighting the key elements of the code.

Resolution # 15-049

Moved By Councillor Brennan

Seconded By Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that Council receives the Town of Erin Integrity Commissioner Code of Ethics Orientation presentation.

Carried

3.3. Integrity Commissioner - Periodic Report

The Integrity Commissioner presented his periodic report.

Resolution # 15-050

Moved By Councillor Smith

Seconded By Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that Council receives the Town of Erin Integrity Commissioner Periodic Report 15-01 "A Proposed Review of the Town of Erin Code of Ethics for Elected Officials" dated February 17, 2015.

Carried

4. Adjournment

Resolution # 15-051 (verbal)

Moved By Councillor Brennan

Seconded By Councillor Sammut

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:34pm.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk



Minutes of the Regular Town of Erin Council Meeting

February 17, 2015

7:30 PM

Municipal Council Chamber

PRESENT:	Allan Alls	Mayor
	John Brennan	Councillor
	Matt Sammut	Councillor
	Rob Smith	Councillor
	Jeff Duncan	Councillor
STAFF PRESENT:	Kathryn Ironmonger	CAO/Town Manager
	Dina Lundy	Clerk
	Sharon Marshall	Director of Finance
	Larry Van Wyck	Road Superintendent
	Andrew Hartholt	Chief Building Official
	Sally Stull	Town Planner
	Bob Cheetham	Economic Development

1. Call to Order

Mayor Alls called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution # 15-052

Moved By Councillor Smith

Seconded By Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as amended to add the following item:

- 8.4.3 - Set date for Public Information Meeting for the Zoning/OPA Amendment of CBM Aggregates, a division of St. Mary's Cement (Canada) Inc., 6033 Trafalgar Road.
- Move the closed session forward in the agenda, following the presentation.

Carried

3. Declaration Pecuniary Interest

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Councillor Smith declared on item 9.2.3, due to involvement in the recycling industry.

4. Community Announcements

Feb 18 - 7pm, Transition Erin, Film "The Wisdom to Survive", at the Erin Legion

Feb 21 - 7pm, Hillsburgh Lion's Club Progressive Euchre Fundraiser, at Hillsburgh Community Centre

Feb 21 - 6pm, Erin Air Cadet's Lasagna Dinner, Erin Legion

Feb 27 - Last day to nominate a volunteer for Celebrate Erin

Feb 28 - 6pm, Heads U17 Girls Soccer Team Dinner and Euchre Tournament, Centre 2000

5. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution # 15-053

Moved By Councillor Brennan

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

Be it resolved that Council hereby adopts the following meeting minutes as circulated;

- February 3, 2015 Regular Meeting

Carried

6. Accounts

Resolution # 15-054

Moved By Councillor Brennan

Seconded By Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that the accounts in the amount of \$ 428,507.59 be paid.

Carried

7. Presentations

7.1. Kyle Davis, Risk Management Official, Wellington Source Water Protection - Source Water Protection Implementation for the Town of Erin

Mr. Davis presented the Source Water Protection Implementation Plan to Council.

Resolution # 15-055**Moved By** Councillor Smith**Seconded By** Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that Council receives the presentation of Kyle Davis, Risk Management Official, Wellington Source Water Protection regarding Source Water Protection Implementation for the Town of Erin.

Carried

7.2. Kyle Davis, Risk Management Official, Wellington Source Water Protection - Memo regarding correspondence from Halton Region on 4th Line Well Field Expansion

Mr. Davis gave an overview of his comments in his memo regarding the correspondence received from Halton Region on the Fourth Line Well Field Expansion.

Resolution # 15-056**Moved By** Councillor Brennan**Seconded By** Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that Council receives the memo from Kyle Davis, Risk Management Official, Wellington Source Water Protection regarding the Fourth Line Well Field Expansion and attached correspondence on the matter from Halton Region;

And that Council directs staff to provide comments to Halton Region by March 9, 2015 to be included in the current public consultation period.

Carried**8. Reports****8.1. Fire and Emergency Services**

8.1.1. Fire Chief - Purchase of an Off Road All-Terrain Vehicle for Firefighting and Rescue Purposes

Resolution # 15-057**Moved By** Councillor Smith**Seconded By** Councillor Sammut

Be it resolved that Council authorizes the purchase from Ed Stewart's Garage & Equipment Ltd one new Kubota RTV- X1120D

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110 Series Off Road All-Terrain Vehicle for the sum of \$16,596.05 including HST.

Carried

11. Closed Session

Resolution # 15-058

Moved By Councillor Brennan

Seconded By Councillor Sammut

Be it resolved that Council adjourns the meeting to proceed into a closed session at the hour of 8:36 pm to discuss matters under the following exemptions in the Municipal Act S. 239 (2):

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

1. Committee of Adjustment/Property Standards/Fence viewers, and Livestock Evaluators

(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

2. SSMP

Carried

12. Return from Closed Session

12.1. Motion to Reconvene

Resolution # 15-059

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

Be it resolved that the meeting be reconvened at the hour of 9:53 pm.

Carried

8. Reports

8.2. Water

8.2.1. Compliance Administrator - 2014 Drinking Water Systems Annual Reports

Resolution # 15-060

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Smith

Be it resolved that Council receives the 2014 Erin Drinking Water System Annual Report and the 2014 Hillsburgh Drinking Water System Annual Report.

Carried

8.3. Roads

8.3.1. Proposed Changes to Default Speed Limit

Resolution # 15-061

Moved By Councillor Smith

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

Be it resolved that Council receives the report of the Road Superintendent regarding the province's request for consultation regarding reducing the default speed limit in Urban Areas;

And that Council directs staff to provide comments to the Ministry of Transportation, Ontario Good Roads Association and Association of Municipalities of Ontario opposing any amendment to default speed limits.

Carried

8.4. Building/Planning/By-Law

8.4.1. Planner - Site Alteration By-law Report

Resolution # 15-062 (verbal)

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that Council defers this item to March 17th.

Carried

8.4.2. Planner - D14 Z15-01 Angelstone Farms Zoning Application Completeness

Resolution # 15-063

Moved By Councillor Duncan

Seconded By Councillor Sammut

Be it resolved that Council hereby receives Planning Department Report D14, Z15-01 dated February 17, 2015 recommending Council deem the zoning amendment application by Angelstone Farms affecting 8720 WCR 50 as complete;

And that Council directs staff to hold a Public Information Meeting on a date to be determined.

Carried

8.4.3. Planner - Set Public Meeting date for CBM Aggregate - Zoning/OP Amendment

Resolution # 15-064 (verbal)

Moved By Councillor Smith

Seconded By Councillor Sammut

Be it resolved that Council directs staff to hold a public meeting for the Zoning/OPA Amendment of CBM Aggregates, a division of St. Mary's Cement (Canada) Inc. on March 25, 2015 at 7:30pm.

Carried

8.5. Administration

8.5.1. Clerk - Proposed changes to the Procedural By-law

Resolution # 15-065 (verbal)

Moved By Councillor Duncan

Seconded By Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that Council defers this item to the March 3, 2015 meeting.

Carried

8.6. Finance

8.6.1. Tax Administrator - 2015 Interim Tax Rate Levy By-Law

Resolution # 15-066

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

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Be it resolved that Council receives the Tax Administrator's Report #F2015-02 and further that the 2015 Interim Tax Rate Bylaw be adopted as recommended.

Carried

9. Correspondence

9.1. Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change - Notice of Application for Permit to Take Water

9.2. County of Wellington Planning Department - Addressing/mapping updates

Resolution # 15-067

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

Be it resolved that Council receives the correspondence items 9.1 and 9.2 for information.

Carried

Councillor Smith moved away from the table.

9.3. Upper Credit Humane Society - Requesting permission to store bin on property for electronic recycling

Resolution # 15-068

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

Be it resolved that Council receives the correspondence from the Upper Credit Humane Society regarding an electronics recycling program.

Carried

Councillor Smith returned.

10. New Business

10.1. 2015 Financial Support Applications - Ad Hoc Committee Appointments

Resolution # 15-069

Moved By Councillor Duncan

Seconded By Councillor Sammut

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Be it resolved that Council appoints the following members of staff and Council to the 2015 Financial Support Applications Ad Hoc Committee:

Allan Ails
John Brennan
Sharon Marshall
Kathryn Ironmonger
Bob Cheetham

Carried

10.2. Set Budget Meeting Dates

Resolution # 15-070

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Duncan

Be it resolved that Council sets the following budget meeting dates and times:

- March 11, 2015 at 10:00am
- March 24, 2015 at 10:00am

Carried

13. By-Laws

Resolution # 15-071

Moved By Councillor Brennan

Seconded By Councillor Sammut

Be it resolved that By-Law numbers 15 – 06 to 15 - 07 inclusive, are hereby passed.

15-06, Interim Tax Levy

15-07, Confirming

Carried

14. Notice of Motion

None

15. Adjournment

Resolution # 15-072

Moved By Councillor Sammut

Seconded By Councillor Brennan

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at the hour of 10:50pm.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk



Staff Report

Report #: 2015-01C

Date: February-17-15

Submitted By: Dina Lundy, Clerk

Subject: Proposed changes to the Procedural By-law

Recommendations:

Be it resolved that Council receives the Clerk’s report “Proposed changes to the Procedural By-law”;

And that Council supports the Clerk’s recommendation not to implement the proposed revisions as presented in resolution #15-040 at the February 3, 2015 Council meeting.

Background:

At the February 3rd Council meeting, a motion was passed directing the Clerk to report on specific proposed changes to the Procedural By-law. Although I will go through the various changes and my recommendations as directed by Council, please note that I have received notification from the member presenting the motion that he no longer wishes to entertain the changes relating to Part 16 Notice of Motion, Part 19 Reconsideration, and Part 8 “minor” and “major” delegations but would like to continue to explore other ways for individuals to more readily approach Council.

Part 8 Agendas

Moving Delegations up on the agenda:

There has always been a small amount of business that is conducted before delegations are heard. This serves to set the tone of the meeting, and allows new delegates to witness a small amount of the process and flow of meetings before making their presentation to Council. It is worth noting that there has never been any feedback received by the Clerk’s Department that suggests this is an issue, but on the contrary, I have received feedback that this process is welcomed by the public. Occasionally it has been necessary to move presentations to the beginning of the meeting. For example the presentation for the County Green Legacy program was moved to the beginning of the meeting to accommodate planting the tree on the front grounds at the Municipal Office. In addition, the Clerk has historically

had discretion to set the order of agenda items, and it is listed under section 7.2 a) under the current by-law that the Clerk will determine the appropriateness and location of all items to be placed on the agenda. In order for Council to determine the order of items placed on the agenda, this section would have to be amended to remove that responsibility from the Clerk. If Council made that decision, it would limit the Clerk's ability to accommodate certain items on the agenda going forward.

Including the heading "Business Arising from the Minutes":

When this By-law was originally written, it was vetted through the expert parliamentarian, James Lochrie and the author of "Meeting Procedures", on which the rules fall back if the By-law is silent. Mr. Lochrie highlighted the issue of having this item on the agenda. The minutes are an official record of the proceedings of Council and should not be used as an update/action list. This is not to say that Councillors may not ask questions, there is certainly opportunity to do so in different ways. The issue with having this on the agenda as a regular item is that Councillors are consistently revisiting matters from the previous meeting that have already been settled. This can take up a lot of time backtracking, and the efficiency of meetings is extremely important to Council, staff, and the public. If the item is important enough to revisit, then the proper process to do so is through a notice of motion, or reconsideration. If the reason for going through business already settled is to highlight the status of items in public, I would note that Council receives regular updates on the status of tasks, and can place any item under New Business if there is an update, a need for further discussion, or for informing the public of progress (as was recently done with the discussion item Celebrate Erin).

Revisiting decided matters without notification can put staff at a disadvantage, not knowing that the item is going to be discussed, especially if the staff person responsible for the item is not present. Placing items on the agenda gives everyone notice that the item is going to be discussed, and allows for mutual respect in preparation for meetings. I know that positive Council/Staff relations and building trust is a high priority for both Council and staff.

It is also worth noting that we have only begun the new term, and to my knowledge, no issues have arisen that would warrant having this as a regular item on the agenda at this point. This is not to say that the item could not be revisited in the future, if necessary, but staff respectfully requests that Council allow some time before considering this.

Part 11 Delegations/Petitions/Presentations

Minor and Major Delegations:

The suggestion is that at the discretion of the Clerk, delegations are classified as "minor" (5 min with no presentation) and "major" (status quo, 10 min with presentation). While I understand the reasoning behind this is to encourage people to come before Council, I do not feel this is a solution. If someone is coming to Council, it's because they have something they

feel is important that they need to inform Council of. The perception of 'minor' delegations could be that they are less important than those classified as 'major' delegations, and puts the Clerk in a difficult position to make this determination. In the interests of fairness, everyone should initially be allowed the same amount of time before Council, and it is the responsibility of the Chair to control the meeting. There has always been some latitude to ensure that Council fully understands the request of the delegate, and I believe that should continue at the discretion of the Chair.

In the interests of transparency, it is important that some form of documentation outlining what will be presented is provided by the delegate. There is currently no expectation for delegations coming before Council to prepare an elaborate presentation. In some instances, one or two paragraphs, point form, or hand written notes are completely acceptable, and staff communicates this to individuals requesting to be a delegation. It often helps those individuals to have their thoughts and points on paper to be able to effectively present to Council. It also helps to keep to the topic, and for everyone to have a sense of why the delegate is coming forth, and to be better prepared with questions that may need to be asked, or to gather background information. Regarding the efficiency of meetings, less preparation and understanding of why a delegate is coming before council has led to multiple delegations from the same individual in the past. While this cannot always be avoided, it can be minimized, which is to the advantage of everyone involved.

Part 16 Notice of Motion

A notice of motion can be introduced at a meeting verbally, or provided to the Clerk in written form for the meeting at which it is introduced. It must be on the following meeting's agenda in written form, in order to be put on the table for discussion so long as the motion receives a seconder. This is the practice that has been followed, and the proper way to handle a notice of motion. I believe that this section simply required some clarification to Council, and does not need any amendments.

Part 19 Reconsideration

The current rule is that no question shall be reconsidered more than once within 12 months following the date that a motion to reconsider was ratified, as stated in section 19.11. Firstly, it is - and should be, a very rare occurrence where council decides to reconsider a decision that they have made. I know that Council members think about their decisions carefully, but there have been instances where new information can change a member's position on a matter, albeit extremely rare.

Further, deleting this section would allow for the reconsideration of a reconsidered decision, for as many times as Council wishes. There is an expectation from the public and staff that when making decisions, Council is not doing so lightly, and is committed to those decisions. At the staff level, often they are reacting to direction given, and they need to feel confident that decisions are not going to be reversed, and their efforts to carry out direction are not

wasted. The public needs assurance that when decisions are made, that they are not entered into lightly. Having this opened up could also subject Council members to pressures to continually reverse their decisions. In the extreme instances where it might be necessary to reconsider a decision more than once, I would suggest that to maintain Council's credibility, that a motion to waive the rules is passed. The rules are there for normal business practices of Council, not for the reason that Council may abuse a particular practice, and not to encompass those rare instances which may or may not occur.

Financial Impact:

Unknown. Staff time could be a factor if reconsiderations are unlimited.

Consultation:

James Lochrie – Certified professional parliamentarian and author of “Meeting Procedures”, which our By-law falls back on.

Communications Plan:

Report included in agenda package.

Conclusion:

The procedural by-law was written and then vetted through a highly recognized professional in parliamentary law. It has also received positive feedback from another highly regarded professional and municipal lawyer, Fred Dean. In addition, another municipality in Wellington County is considering using it as a model for their by-law. While I think this speaks to the quality of this by-law, the rules are not to hinder council in any way from moving business forward, and if they are doing that, we need to change them to what works for this Council. Currently, I don't see that the rules are preventing Council from doing so and unfortunately, I cannot support any of the proposed changes to the procedural by-law for the reasons stated above, and recommend that the by-law is not amended at this time.

Appendices:

None.

B.C.C. MINUTES JAN. 13, 2015 @ 8:00 P.M. @ LIZ VAN RAVENS'

Present: John Brennan, Gloria Buckley, Vera Longstreet, Liz van Ravens, Karen Smith, Bill van Ravens

Secretary's Report: Minutes from **Dec. 17, 2014** were not available.

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance as of **Dec.31, 2014** was \$26 321.13. Vouchers totalled \$3 937.86. Deposits were \$2 740.00. Rent was \$2 240.00 with Deposits of \$200.00. Bank reconciliation has not been done yet.

Accounts Payable: Willboi's Ltd. \$565.00, McDougall Energy \$472.34, Hydro One 2 invoices in Oct. & Reliance accounts are not straightened out yet.

No amount has been received from **Town of Halton Hills for 2014**

Vera & Gloria moved & seconded this report as presented. Carried.

Advertising for the **Euchre Nights @ B.C.C.** every other **Thursday** starting **Jan. 22, 2015** has been put in the **Coming Events** section of the **Georgetown Independent**.

The **Public Budget Meeting** has been scheduled for **Jan 27, 2015** at **Erin Town Office**.

Budget Discussions were held. **PARK** --Picnic Tables-2 or more

--Park Benches-2

--Rebuild Garden Structures at Road-1 plus 2

--Patio Stones for floor in Tractor Shed

HALL—Refinish Main Hall Floor

---Carts to Store & Move Tables In the Main Hall

---Fix & Replace the Main Hall Tables to a count of 30

---Replace 2 Microwave Units-White

Repairs & Improvements Required

—Heavy Duty, Int./Ext., 3-pronged, 30'-50' Extension Cord

---Replace Nails in Wheelchair Ramp with Screws

---Install Washroom & Cloakroom Signs @ top of stairs for Lower level

---Fix Doors in Basement Washroom Stalls to close Automatically –not swing open

---Put purse/coat hooks off doors on to walls Possibly stubbier ones

---Replace Wood Door Stops (4-6) with Rubber Ones

---Repaint **YELLOW** Safety Stripe on Edge of Top Step & Walkout Sidewalk Step to Parking Lot

Liz will finalize Year End Totals & Adjust Budget Sheet for next meeting Feb. 10, 2015. Karen will try to obtain quotes for Budget items for next meeting.

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FIRE SECURITY SYSTEM CHECK: To be done by Karen

T.A.P.O.N.M.: Tue., Feb. 10, 2015 @ 7:30 P.M. @ Liz'

Adjournment of Meeting by Vera & Liz. Carried.

B.C.C. MINUTES DEC. 17, 2014 @ 8:00 P.M. @ GLORIA'S

Present: John Brennan, Vera Longstreet, Karen Smith, Gloria Buckley, Liz van Ravens, Betty Sojka.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from **October 29, 2014** were read by Gloria & all. Vera & Betty moved & seconded them as presented. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance as of **October 31, 2014** was \$28 350.51. Deposits were \$3 885.00. Vouchers totalled \$5 919.04. Rent was \$3 165.00 with Deposits of \$300.00. The **Insurance** costs paid to Town of Erin was \$3 111.48. Bruce was paid for grass cutting & tree trimming & chipping \$550.00 plus for August \$1 500.00 for total of \$2 050.00.

Bank Balance as of **Nov. 30, 2014** was \$27 518.99. Deposits were \$ 1 670.00. Vouchers were \$2 501.52. Rent was \$1 570.00 with Deposits of \$100.00.

Hydro One was \$1 058.00 (2 Equal Billing payments). McDougall Energy, Ron's Burner Service & Reliance Accounts need some attention to make their statements & ours to agree. Liz has requested invoices & statements. The Catholic Board Paid \$420.00 to match the Invoice for their rental as agreed. Gloria & John moved & seconded the reports as presented. Carried.

Karen presented the quote for Refinishing the main Hall floor given by Vic Galliford & Sons. It was agreed that more quotes be obtained.

Some other items to be included in our **Budget for 2015** are: 1. Replace Road Garden Ties. 2. Memorial Sign Markers. 3. Benches & Picnic Tables for the Park. 4. Fix &/or Replace Some Main Hall Tables. 5. Lay Patio Stones in Tractor Garage. Further discussion on Budget will be done at next meeting Jan. 13, 2015.

FIRE SECURITY SYSTEM CHECK: To be done by Karen

T.A.P.O.N.M.: Tue., Jan. 13, 2015 @ Liz' @ 7:30 P.M.

Adjournment of Meeting by Liz & Vera. Carried

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FEB 23 2015**RECEIVED****FEB 26 2015****TOWN OF ERIN**

Ms. Dina Lundy
Clerk
Town of Erin
5684 Trafalgar Road
Hillsburgh, Ontario
N0B 1Z0

Dear Ms. Lundy:

Thank you for your letter regarding “double-hatter” firefighters. I am grateful to have received a copy of your municipality’s resolution, and appreciate your interest in this important matter.

While there are no plans to amend the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997* at this time, I continue to urge firefighters, fire chiefs and municipalities to continue to work together to resolve the two-hatter issue through ongoing co-operative dialogue.

We recognize how serious this issue is in many of Ontario’s smaller communities. I have provided a copy of your letter and my response to my colleagues the Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Honourable Yasir Naqvi, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, as I am sure they will also be interested in council’s views.

Thank you again for sharing your municipality’s resolution with me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Flynn".

Kevin Flynn
Minister of Labour

c: The Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Honourable Yasir Naqvi, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services

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Ms. Dina Lundy
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Town of Erin
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Dear Ms. Lundy:

Thank you for your letters of December 19, 2014 and January 15, 2015. I appreciate you informing me about the Council's resolution requesting that the Ontario government develop a comprehensive strategy to regulate excess soil and pass a Clean Soil Act to help municipalities deal with excess soils.

I am pleased to provide the following information, and I trust that it will be shared with members of your Town Council.

Over the past few years, the ministry has met and consulted with many stakeholders, including municipalities, conservation authorities, the environment industry, infrastructure organizations, waste associations, professional institutions, the development industry and other provincial partners, to discuss the regulatory interpretation for soil movement and future soil management options. As a result of these consultations, the ministry developed "Management of Excess Soil: A Guide for Best Management Practices" (BMP). Ministry staff are implementing the BMP which includes management practices for soil being removed from a development property. Staff are also undertaking a review of the need for soil policy related to excess soil management.

The BMP provides clarity to site owners, developers and contractors, and promotes a consistent approach for soil management. The BMP provides guidance for soil management at source sites, such as brownfield sites, receiving sites, and storage sites, and provides direction for incorporation into procurement documents, by-laws and other binding documents. To access and view the BMP, please visit the website at <http://www.ontario.ca/environment-and-energy/management-excess-soil-guide-best-management-practices>.

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Ms. Dina Lundy
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Staff are also undertaking a review of the need for soil policy related to excess soil management. This review is intended to help address whether existing policy related to excess soil management in Ontario is sufficient and, if not, to identify priority policy matters to be addressed and a strategy for developing those policies as part of a broader policy framework.

As part of this review, MOECC staff recently completed a series of sessions where a wide range of stakeholders involved in soil management were heard from. The consultations were called to better understand policy needs, including policy to more effectively implement approaches outlined in the BMP. We will consider your Council's resolution together with the other constructive advice we received.

Soil management crosses the mandates of several ministries. While the MOECC is leading the review for policy needs, we are being supported by other ministries including the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Ministry of Transportation, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. We anticipate the review will be completed by June 2015 and, by this time, we anticipate being in a position to discuss a proposed plan for moving forward.

Thank you, again, for bringing your Council's resolution to my attention.

Sincerely,



Glen Murray
Minister

c: The Honourable Jeff Leal
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

The Honourable Ted McMeekin
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

The Honourable Charles Sousa
Minister of Finance

The Honourable Bill Mauro
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February 24, 2015

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ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of February 10, 2015
 Motion (e) Councillor Thompson; Re: Bill 52, the Protection of Public
 Participation Act**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its Council meeting held on February 10, 2015 and in this regard Council adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has recently introduced “Bill 52, Protection of Public Participation Act, 2014”; and

WHEREAS Bill 52 seeks to amend the *Courts of Justice Act*, the *Libel and Slander Act* and the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act* in order to protect expression on matters of public interest; and

WHEREAS Bill 52 is commonly referred to as Anti-SLAPP legislation and is intended to enact many of the recommendations put forward by the Anti-SLAPP Advisory Panel of 2010; and

WHEREAS SLAPP litigation, an acronym for Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation, is a tactic which is often viewed as a means to silence, intimidate and deter people from participating in discussions on matters of public interest; and

WHEREAS the Province has stated that the ability to freely participate in public discussion about matters of public interest, without fear of retribution, is fundamental to a fair and democratic society.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Town of Aurora express its support for Bill 52 which should help protect and encourage freedom of expression on matters of the public interest and discourage the use of the courts in ways that unduly limit that freedom; and

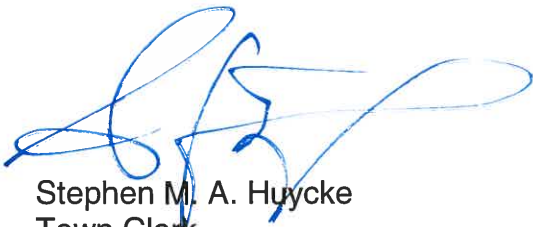
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be requested to write a letter and forward this resolution to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Chris Ballard, MPP for Newmarket-Aurora, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Clerk be requested to circulate this resolution to all other municipalities in Ontario to request endorsement of this resolution be sent directly to the Government of Ontario.

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Yours sincerely,



Stephen M. A. Huycke
Town Clerk
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ERIN

By-Law # 15 -

Being a By-Law to appoint members to and establish the per diem remuneration and allowances to be paid to the Committee of Adjustment, Property Standards Committee, the Fence Viewers, and the Livestock Evaluators.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 2 of the Line Fences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. L.17, as amended;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 15 and of the Building Code, R.S.O. 1992, c. B.23, as amended;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 4(1) of the Livestock, Poultry and Honey Bee Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. L.24, as amended;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 44(1) of the Planning Act, 1990, c. P.13, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Erin hereby **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

Appointments:

1. The following persons are hereby appointed as Committee of Adjustment Members, Property Standards Committee members, and Fence-Viewers for the Town of Erin:

Rob Fletcher
Wayne Parkinson
Craig Switzer
Jamie Cheyne

(One Council Representative appointed yearly for
Committee of Adjustment and Property Standards
Committee)

2. The following persons are hereby appointed as Livestock Evaluators for the Town of Erin:

Sara Parkinson
Rob Fletcher

Remuneration:

3. The remuneration per meeting for the Committee of Adjustment and Property Standards Committee shall be:
Members \$80.00
4. The remuneration per additional minor variance application heard on the same meeting date shall be:
Members \$20.00 per additional application
5. The remuneration per site inspection and associated meeting for the members of the Fence-Viewers shall be:
Chair \$75.00
Members \$60.00
4. The remuneration per claim for the members of the Livestock Evaluators shall be: \$60.00.

5. The annual COLA percentage increase given to employees does not apply.

Mileage:

8. A Mileage allowance of .55 cents per km. shall be paid to members of the Committee of Adjustment, Property Standards, Fence Viewers, and Livestock Evaluators for carrying out the provisions and obligations of the applicable Act.
9. This By-Law repeals By-Law # 11-18 and 11-19

Passed in open Council on March 3, 2015.

*** Note: Per diem does not apply to Council representatives.**

Mayor

Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Erin

By-Law # 15-

**Being a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Boundary
Road Agreement between the Corporation of Town of Erin
and the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills.**

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights powers, and privileges of a natural person of exercising its authority under this or any other act;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to subsection 29.1(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 c. 25, as amended, the local municipalities on either side of a boundary line between municipalities have joint jurisdiction over any highways forming the boundary line;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Erin deems it expedient to enter into a Boundary Road Agreement with the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Erin Enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the Corporation of the Town of Erin hereby authorizes the entering into a boundary road agreement dated the 1st of January 2015 with the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, attached to and forming part of this by-law;
2. **AND THAT** the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the said Agreement;
3. **AND THAT** this By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of passing.

Passed in open Council on March 3, 2015

Allan Alls, Mayor

Dina Lundy, Clerk