

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024
(To follow Committee of the Whole)

AGENDA

Members of the public wishing to attend can do so by attending in person to the Council Chambers located in the Administration Centre at 5786 County Road 21, Utopia.

1. **OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR**
2. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**
3. **ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS**

p. 1 Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the motions duly passed and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting of this date be approved; and **THAT** the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, Public, Closed Session and Regular Council meetings held on the 15th day of May, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated June 5, 2024, be received for information.

5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- p. 12 a. **Minutes of the Essa Public Library Board Meeting**

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the Essa Public Library Board from their meeting held on April 22, 2024, be received.

6. **PETITIONS**

7. **MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

- a. **Proclamation – World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15, 2024**

Recommendation: **WHEREAS** the Township of Essa's older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity and valued as contributing members of society, imparting a wealth of experience and wisdom in our communities; and **WHEREAS** the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed this day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and **WHEREAS** the Township of Essa recognizes the importance of taking action to invest in creating social change, to prioritize the prevention of elder abuse and raise awareness to foster a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older adults and their rights; and

WHEREAS elder abuse has a significant impact on the lives of older adults and families and is not limited to race, gender, culture, or circumstance, regardless of whether the abuse is physical, emotional, sexual, financial or neglect; and
WHEREAS ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in Ontario; and
WHEREAS it is recognized that it is up to all of us, as citizens, organizations, communities, and governments, to work collectively to prevent violence and abuse of older adults in their homes and communities; and
WHEREAS preventing abuse of older adults through improving and maintaining social and health services and systems such as housing, income security, and safety will improve their quality of life and allow them to live independently and contribute to the vibrancy of Ontario; and
WHEREAS there can be no abuse where there is respect for human rights, equality, and justice, and all Essa residents are urged to join this global movement to promote the Rights of Older Adults and Stop Abuse and Restore Respect;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Essa hereby proclaims June 15, 2024, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, and encourages all residents to recognize and celebrate seniors and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of our province.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

9. **BY-LAWS**

- p. 14 a. **By-law 2024-32** – A By-law to amend Fees and Charges By-law 2023-01.

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2024-32 be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

10. **QUESTIONS**

11. **CLOSED SESSION**

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council proceed to a Closed Session in order to address matters pertaining to:

- ITEM ADDED** a. **Confidential Staff Report CAO019-24, re: Staff Matters**
- *Personal Matters About an Identifiable Individual [s.239(2)(b)]*
 - *Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations [s.239(2)(d)]*

Motion to Rise and Report from Closed Session Meeting of April 17, 2024.

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council rise and report from the Closed Session Meeting at ___ p.m.

12. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

p. 19 a. **By-law 2024-33**

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** leave be granted to introduce By-law 2024-33, that being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole, Closed and Council meetings held on this 5th day of June, 2024; and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting of Council of the Township of Essa adjourn at _____ p.m. to meet again on the 19th day of June, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.