



Special Council Minutes

March 14, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Glen McNeil
Deputy Mayor Bill Vanstone
Councillor Curtis Blake
Councillor Wayne Forster
Councillor Evan Hickey
Councillor Jennifer Miltenburg
Councillor Anita Snobelen

Staff Present:

Clerk Florence Witherspoon
CAO/Deputy-Clerk Mark Becker
CBO Joy Lindsay
Treasurer Ellen McManus
PWS Thomas McCarthy
Deputy Clerk/Communications Co-ordinator, Kelly Thomson

Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Council will meet in the Council Chambers at 82133 Council Line, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh and can be live streamed at www.acwtownship.ca/government/agendas-minutes.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meetings of Council are live streamed on the Township's Official Website in accordance with the Live Streaming and Virtual Participation of Meetings Policy.

This meeting has been called to review the preliminary budget report for 2025.

2. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None disclosed.

3. **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

We have provided Council with the proposed budget, both attached and in a binder, which includes all the information required and proposed for the 2025 budget. Staff will review the budget with Council.

MOTION 1

Moved by Bill Vanstone
Seconded by Evan Hickey

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council hereby agrees to extend the hour to complete the business of the day.

Carried

MOTION 2

Moved by Jennifer Miltenburg
Seconded by Evan Hickey

THAT Council agree to a 2.75% increase to the 2024 tax rate, which converts to a 5% increase in the municipal levy from 2024, which raises an additional \$329,207.

Carried

ACTION: Staff will bring the Final Budget back to Council at an upcoming meeting.

4. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

MOTION 3

Moved by Bill Vanstone
Seconded by Wayne Forster

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law 17-2025 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Special Council meeting held on March 14 2025, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 14th day of March 2025.

Carried

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 4

Moved by Curtis Blake
Seconded by Jennifer Miltenburg

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council does now adjourn to meet again on March 18, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. or at the Call of the Mayor.

Carried

Mayor, Glen McNeil

Clerk, Florence Witherspoon