



Municipality of Tweed
Regular Council Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Council Chambers
Municipal Building, 255 Metcalf St, Tweed, ON

Council Present: Mayor D. DeGenova
Deputy Mayor J. DeMarsh
Councillor J. Flieler
Councillor J. Palmateer
Councillor P. Valiquette

Staff Present: Interim CAO
Clerk
Deputy Clerk
Public Works Manager
Community Development Manager
Fire Chief

1. Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement and National Anthem

Mayor DeGenova called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. followed by the Land Acknowledgement and the singing of the National Anthem.

Land Acknowledgement

The Municipality of Tweed recognizes that our work takes place on traditional Indigenous territories including the Huron-Wendat, Anishnaabe, and the Haudenosaunee peoples.

We recognize and respect the history, languages, and cultures of the First Nations, Metis, Inuit and all Indigenous peoples whose presence continues to enrich our communities.

2. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

Moved by J. Palmateer
Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the April 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

4. Adoption of Minutes

March 25, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.
March 26, 2025 Special Council Meeting.

Moved by P. Valiquette
Seconded by J. DeMarsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the March 25, 2025 Regular Council Meeting and the March 26, 2025 Special Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

5. Notification of Closed Meeting

Council held a Closed Meeting during the Regular Council Meeting under Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, to consider the following matter(s):

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

(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administration tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;

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

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26; and pursuant to Section 239 (3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, for education or training.

6. Motion to Suspend the Rules

Council will go into a Closed Meeting for the purposes of education and training. So as not to delay the business of the meeting, the Closed Meeting will be moved to the end of the Regular Council meeting.

Moved by J. Flieler

Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to suspend the rules to move the Closed Meeting to take place immediately after the Committee/Board Minutes, in accordance with Section 17 of Procedural By-law No. 2023-13.

Carried

7. Mayor's Remarks

Mayor DeGenova provided information on local events, reported on meetings attended, and advised of upcoming meetings. Mayor DeGenova thanked the Hydro One workers for their tireless efforts during the recent ice storm.

8. Public Planning Meetings

8.1 Public Planning Meeting for Zoning Amendment ZA5/25

Applicant: Theresa McCann

Location: 2571 Rapids Rd. Part of Lot 4, Concession 13.

Purpose: The purpose and effect of the proposed zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning of a 9.8 ac severed lot and a 6.4 ac retained lot from the Special Rural Residential 8 (RR-8) zone to the Rural Residential (RR) zone. The rezoning of the severed & retained lots to RR is a condition of Severance file B150/23 and will provide for the appropriate zoning for the size and proposed use of the new parcels.

Moved by P. Valiquette
Seconded by J. DeMarsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize staff to bring forward an amending By-law at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9. Delegations, Petitions and Presentations

9.1 Community Risk Assessment

Grace McDonough of The Loomex Group presented the Municipality of Tweed 2024 Community Risk Assessment project overview. The next recommended step would be to start the process of implementing a Fire Master Plan.

10. Departmental Reports

10.1 CAO/Treasurer

10.1.1 Adoption of a Pay Equity Plan - 2025

Moved by P. Valiquette
Seconded by J. Palmateer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Pay Equity Plan prepared for the Municipality by HARBR Human Resources;
AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to post the Pay Equity Plan in all workplaces;
AND FURTHER THAT Council formally adopt the Pay Equity Appeals process and the Maintenance Plan prepared by HARBR Human Resources.

Carried

10.1.2 Provision of I.T. Services – Joint Services with the County of Hastings

Moved by J. DeMarsh
Seconded by J. Palmateer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council advise the County of Hastings of the Municipality's interest in entering into an agreement with County for the provision of I.T. services commencing in 2026;
AND FURTHER THAT staff be authorized to work with County staff to develop an I.T. infrastructure renewal and replacement program, with a focus on immediate needs in 2026.

Carried

10.2 Community Development Manager

10.2.1 Community Development Update

Moved by J. Palmateer
Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Community Development update as presented.

Carried

10.3 Fire Chief

10.3.1 Fire Department Update April 8, 2025

Moved by J. DeMarsh
Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Fire Department Update as presented.

Carried

10.4 Animal Control Officer

March, 2025 Animal Control and Livestock Investigation Report.

Moved by J. Palmateer
Seconded by J. Flieler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the March, 2025 Animal Control and Livestock Investigation Report as presented.

Carried

11. Committee/Board Reports

11.1 Committee of Adjustment/Planning

11.1.1 Zoning Amendment Public Meeting ZA4/25

Moved by J. DeMarsh
Seconded by J. Flieler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Zoning Amendment Public Meeting Report as presented;
AND FURTHER that Council direct staff to bring forward a By-law for Zoning Amendment ZA4/25 at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

12. By-laws

12.1 By-law No. 2025-28

A By-law to regulate the setting of open-air fires and to provide for fees for contravention of the By-law and costs of suppression.

Moved by J. Palmateer
Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-28 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

12.2 By-law No. 2025-29

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2022-19, being a By-law to impose Administrative Monetary Penalties for violations of municipal by-laws.

Moved by J. DeMarsh

Seconded by J. Flieler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-29 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

12.3 By-law No. 2025-30

A By-law to authorize the Municipality of Marmora and Lake to enter into an agreement to receive dedicated Gas Tax funds from the Province of Ontario (Ministry of Transportation) on behalf of the Municipality of Tweed, as the host municipality for the Central Hastings Public Transit System.

Moved by J. Flieler

Seconded by J. DeMarsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-30 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

12.4 By-law No. 2025-31

A By-law to authorize Civil Marriage Solemnization Services in the Province of Ontario and to repeal By-law 2011-18.

Moved by P. Valiquette

Seconded by J. Palmateer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-31 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

12.5 By-law No. 2025-32

A By-law to authorize the Municipality of Tweed to enter into a Development Agreement with 2530397 Ontario Inc.

Moved by J. DeMarsh

Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-32 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

12.6 By-law No. 2025-33

A By-law to amend Comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 2012-30, as amended for property on Ervine Road.

Moved by J. Palmateer

Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-33 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

12.7 By-law No. 2025-34

A By-law to exempt a portion of land from the Part Lot Control provisions of the Planning Act.

Moved by J. Flieler

Seconded by J. DeMarsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-34 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

13. Items for Consideration

13.1 Tweed Lions Club

Tweed Lions Club request permission of Council to use the ball diamond/soccer field area at Tweed Memorial Park on Sunday afternoons from July 6th to August 24th, 2025 for an Artist Market. This market would compliment the Music in the Park concerts.

Moved by J. Flieler

Seconded by J. DeMarsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the request from the Tweed Lions Club to use the ball diamond/soccer field area at Tweed Memorial Park on Sunday afternoons from July 6th to August 24th, 2025 for an Artist Market in conjunction with Music in the Park.

Carried

13.2 Bryan Volkman, Tweed, ON

Bryan Volkman of Moores Road requested compensation for expenses due to damages to his vehicle caused by potholes.

Moved by P. Valiquette

Seconded by J. Palmateer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the request from Bryan Volkman for compensation of expenses due to damages to his vehicle; AND FURTHER THAT Mr. Volkman be directed to submit his claim for expenses to his insurer. In the event that his claim is denied, he is invited to return to Council for further deliberation.

Carried

14. Correspondence - Information

Moved by J. DeMarsh
Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Correspondence - Information be received and filed.

Carried

14.1 Enbridge Gas

Enbridge Gas outlines their marketing campaign for Tweed Community Expansion Project.

14.2 County of Hastings, Belleville, ON

Media Release from the County of Hastings re: Hastings County Council approves 2025 Budget.

14.3 Bright Beginnings of Tweed and District

Correspondence received from Bright Beginnings of Tweed and District re: septic system for childcare expansion at Actinolite Hall.

14.5 Mayor D. DeGenova

14.5.1 Correspondence to Premier D. Ford, MPP M. Schreiner, MPP M. Stiles, and Liberal Leader B. Crombie

Correspondence was sent to Premier D. Ford, MPP M. Schreiner, MPP M. Stiles, and Liberal Leader B. Crombie outlining proposals:

1. To repatriate OPP costs for small rural and northern communities; and
2. To support small rural and northern housing developers.

14.5.2 Belleville Intelligencer Article by Derek Baldwin

Feds Award \$16.1M for Belleville's West Hill Corridor Modernization article by Derek Baldwin.

14.5.3 County of Hastings, Belleville, ON

Letter addressed to the Premier of Ontario from Warden Bob Mullin, County of Hastings re: Lack of Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities.

14.5.4 County of Hastings, Belleville, ON

Letter addressed to the Premier of Ontario from Warden Bob Mullin, County of Hastings re: Underfunding of Ontario Colleges.

14.5.5 County of Hastings, Belleville, ON

Letter addressed to the Premier of Ontario from Warden Bob Mullin, County of Hastings re: Public Salary Disclosure Limit.

14.5.6 Hydro One Networks Inc.

Roxanne D'Onofrio, a Senior Advisor with Hydro One Networks Inc. provides 'Storm Update: Day 5'.

14.5.7 Hydro One Networks Inc.

Roxanne D'Onofrio, a Senior Advisor with Hydro One Networks Inc. provides a further storm update.

14.4 Request for Support from Other Municipalities

Moved by P. Valiquette

Seconded by J. Flieler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the resolution of the City of Peterborough re: Tariff Motion.

Carried

14.4.1 City of Peterborough, Peterborough, ON

Request of Support Resolution re: Tariff Motion

15. Closed Meeting

Moved by P. Valiquette

Seconded by J. Palmateer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into a Closed Meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Carried

16. Extend Council Meeting

In order to finish the business of the council meeting it was necessary for Council to pass a motion to extend the Regular Council meeting past the maximum three-hour time limit as per Procedural By-law 2023-13.

Moved by J. Flieler

Seconded by J. Palmateer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to extend the Regular Council meeting past the three-hour time limit in accordance with Procedural By-law No. 2023-13.

Carried

17. Notification of Closed Meeting and Staff Direction

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pursuant to Section 239 (3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, for education or training.

Moved by P. Valiquette

Seconded by J. Flieler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff follow Council direction from the Closed Meeting.

Carried

18. River Street Treatment Plant

The Mayor requested the Manager of Public Works to give a verbal report on the status of the River Street treatment plant sump pump failure. At this time, the backup motor is operational and effectively relieving pressure on the system. A permanent repair to the sump pump is being investigated to prevent any future failures.

19. Confirmatory By-law

Confirmatory By-law No. 2025-35.

Moved by J. Palmateer

Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Confirmatory By-law No. 2025-35 be read a first, second, and third and final time, passed, signed, and sealed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

20. Adjournment

Moved by J. Palmateer

Seconded by J. DeMarsh

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn at 12:09 p.m.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk