

The Corporation of the Township of King

Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting #6
April 14, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
2585 King Road, King City, ON

Council Present: Mayor Pellegrini

Councillor Cescolini Councillor Boyd Councillor Anstey Councillor Asselstine Councillor Schaefer Councillor Eek

Staff Present: Daniel Kostopoulos, Chief Administrative Officer

Chris Fasciano, Director of Community Services Jennifer Caietta, Director of Corporate Services Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance & Treasurer Samantha Fraser, Director of Public Works

Stephen Naylor, Director of Growth Management Services

Denny Timm, Township Clerk Adam Foran, Deputy Clerk

Diane Moratto, Governance Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

The Deputy Clerk confirmed a quorum was present.

3. Introduction of Addendum Items

The Deputy Clerk advised correspondence has been received and circulated prior to this evening's Council Meeting for Items 8.6 - Growth Management Services - By-law Enforcement Division Report GMS-BY-2025-001 - Discharge of Firearms and Bows By-law - Request for Exemption - 6610 King Road, and 8.7 - Growth Management Services - By-law Enforcement Division Report GMS-BY-2025-002 - Sign Variance Extension - 20620 Highway 11.

4. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Eek

Seconded by: Councillor Schaefer

That the agenda for the April 14, 2025, Council Meeting be approved as amended.

Carried

5. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None.

6. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Pellegrini highlighted recent and upcoming events in the Township of King being; the Facilities, Parks and Trail Master Plans and updated Transportation Master Plan public open house on April 15th at the Zancor Centre, the 'Meet the Mayor and Council' event on April 23rd at the Township Municipal Centre, celebrating King's 175th Anniversary, the Spring maintenance program, and the upcoming Spring programs for residents.

7. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Cescolini Seconded by: Councillor Boyd

That the items listed herein under Section 7, Adoption of Minutes, all be approved and passed under consent.

Carried

7.1 March 17, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes (draft)

Moved by: Councillor Cescolini Seconded by: Councillor Boyd

That the March 17, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes be adopted.

Carried

7.2 April 7, 2025, Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes (draft)

Moved by: Councillor Cescolini Seconded by: Councillor Boyd

That the April 7, 2025, Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes be adopted.

8. Action Items

8.1 2024 Service Performance Report

Daniel Kostopoulos, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a brief overview of the efforts that went into the 2024 Service Performance Report and introduced Cara Santoro, Supervisor of Strategy and Transformation.

Cara Santoro provided a slide presentation overview of the 2024 Service Performance Report, commenting on; performance accountability in King, the framework for measuring and evaluating performance, key considerations, the 2024 Service Performance Report, the Report Summary, highlights by service area, governing King, communications plan, interactive online dashboard, and concluding remarks.

Marco Cheng-Perri, Supervisor, Digital Transformation and Corporate Performance, demonstrated the new online dashboard.

Staff responded to questions from Members of Council.

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Anstey

1. That Report Number ADM-OCAO-2025-001 be received for information.

Carried

8.2 Incentives for the ThinKING Green: Sustainable Development Program

Moved by: Councillor Cescolini Seconded by: Councillor Boyd

- 1. That Council receive Report Number GMS-PL-2025-008.
- 2. That Council direct Staff to review potential non-financial incentives for the ThinKING Green: Sustainable Development Program.
- 3. That Staff report back to Council on non-financial incentive options in 2025.

Carried

8.3 Public Art Program

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Schaefer

- 1. That Council receive Report COM-HEC-2024-003.
- That Council adopt the Corporate Public Art Policy (COR-POL-115) as amended; and
- 3. That an amendment to By-law 2021-046 to add a new reserve fund to establish a Public Art Reserve Fund as outlined in Appendix A to Report COM-HEC-2024-003 be approved.

8.4 Notice of Intent to Designate 313 Main Street

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Schaefer

- 1. That Council receive Report GMS-HER-2025-003 for information.
- 2. That Council issue a Notice of Intent to Designate, the Schomberg Presbyterian Church at 313 Main Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, as identified by the Statement of Cultural Heritage Significance included as Attachment 2 to Report GMS-HER-2025-003.
- 3. That if no objection is served on the Township Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intent to Designate, that Council pass a by-law designating the Schomberg Presbyterian Church at 313 Main Street and a copy of the by-law be provided to the Owner and Ontario Heritage Trust, and notice published on the Township website.

Carried

8.5 Road Closure – 15th Sideroad (10th Concession to Highway 27)

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Seconded by: Councillor Eek

- 1. That Report PW-CAP-2025-004 be received
- 2. That Council enact By-law 2025-035 for the closure of 15th Sideroad between 10th Concession to Highway 27 from April 23, 2025, to July 18, 2025

Carried

8.6 Discharge of Firearms and Bows By-law - Request for Exemption - 6610 King Road

Moved by: Councillor Boyd

Seconded by: Councillor Cescolini

1. That Council defer Report GMS-BY-2025-001 Discharge of Firearms and Bows By-law - Request for Exemption - 6610 King Road to its Regular Meeting on April 29, 2025.

Carried

8.7 Sign Variance Extension - 20620 Highway 11

Deputation

Mark Snaper, Eye Candy Ads provided a brief slide presentation commenting on the 18-month trial period and his request that the sign variance be extended.

Mr. Snaper responded to questions.

Moved by: Mayor Pellegrini Seconded by: Councillor Anstey

- 1. That Council receive Report GMS-BY-2025-002 for information.
- 2. That Council not extend the sign variance at 20620 Highway 11.

Carried

8.8 Building Division 2024 Year End Report

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Schaefer

1. That Council receive Report GMS-BLD-2025-001 for information.

Carried

8.9 Draft Plan of Condominium – Standard 19CDM-21K01 66 Main Street (66 Main Street Developments Inc.)

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Schaefer

- 1. That Report GMS-PL-2025-009 be received;
- 2. That Plan of Condominium Application CDM-21-K01 BE APPROVED subject to the Draft Plan Conditions attached as Appendix A;
- 3. That Council authorize the Township Clerk to issue the required Notice of Decision for Draft Plan Approval.

8.10 Via Moto Phase 1 – 19T-12K01 – Fandor Homes (Via Moto) Inc. – Amending Subdivision Agreement

Moved by: Councillor Boyd

Seconded by: Councillor Cescolini

- 1. That Report GMS-DEV-2025-003 be received.
- That Council enact By-law 2025-024 to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign an Amending Subdivision Agreement between the Township of King and Fandor Homes (Via Moto) Inc., when finalized to the satisfaction of the Director of Growth Management Services, to permit the Subdivision to be assumed by the Municipality in Phases.

Carried

9. Communications (Information Only)

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Schaefer

That the items listed herein under Section 9, Communications, all be approved and passed under consent.

Carried

9.1 Staff Communications

9.1.1 Energy Management and Conservation Plan Refresh: 2024-2029

10. Notices of Motion

None.

11. Motions for Which Notice Has Been Given

11.1 Member Motion from Councillor Asselstine Re: Provincial Action on Salt Pollution from Road Salt

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Anstey

Whereas road salt is a known toxic substance designated under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act because of tangible threats of serious or irreversible environmental and health damage; and

Whereas salt levels in Ontario's groundwater aquifers, creeks, rivers, and lakes have increasingly worsened since the 1970s, threatening municipal drinking water sources and aquatic life; and

Whereas over the last 25 years actions taken by the Ontario and Canadian governments have not stopped the increase of salt entering Ontario's groundwater aquifers, creeks, rivers, and lakes; and

Whereas 66% of the Township of King is located within the Oak Ridges Moraine, which is the source of surface and ground water for the Humber and Holland River watersheds draining into Lake Ontario and Lake Simcoe respectively; and

Whereas in 2024 the Township of King initiated a new salt management plan to reduce the use of road salt; and

Whereas the risk of increased numbers of slips and falls claims, and other injury/collision claims related to snow and ice, is contributing to salt application overuse beyond levels considered best practices; and

Whereas unlimited contractor liability is making it difficult or expensive for snow and ice management contractors to obtain appropriate insurance coverage; and

Whereas the Occupier's Liability Act does not include provisions for safe winter maintenance practices or minimizing the environmental impact of salt; and

Whereas the Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways do not include specific criteria for salt usage that promote both efficient and responsible application; and

Whereas numerous studies on the negative impacts of salt have recommended solutions involving liability protection, contractor certification, government-approved Best Management Practices (BMPs) and salt management plans; and

Whereas the Snow and Ice Management Sector (SMS) of Landscape Ontario is working with the Ontario government to institute a limited liability regime for snow and ice management, including enforceable contractor training/certification and government-approved BMPs for salt application.

Now therefore be it resolved that:

- The Township of King urges the Province of Ontario to work urgently with key stakeholders to develop limited liability legislation, including enforceable contractor training and a single set of provincially-endorsed standard BMPs for snow and ice management; and
- 2. The Township of King urges the Province of Ontario to create and fund an expert stakeholder advisory committee to advise the

Province and Municipalities on the best courses of action to protect freshwater ecosystems and drinking water from the impacts of salt pollution; and

- 3. The Township of King commits to efficiency and environmental stewardship in the use of salt as much as possible while maintaining safe roads and sidewalks; and
- 4. That the Township Clerk send a copy of this resolution to Hon. Todd McCarthy, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General, MPP Stephen Lecce, King-Vaughan, MPP Caroline Mulroney, York-Simcoe, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Conservation Ontario, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA), Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), and all local area municipalities in York Region, including York Region itself.

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine Seconded by: Councillor Anstey

That the Member's Motion by Councillor Asselstine concerning Provincial Action on Salt Pollution from Road Salt be tabled to allow for further discussion of the matter at a future date as so determined by the mover.

Carried

12. New Business

12.1 Motion by Mayor Pellegrini Re Funds to Support the 2025 Nature's Emporium Run for Southlake Hospital Foundation and Stride's for Mackenzie Health

Moved by: Mayor Pellegrini Seconded by: Councillor Anstey

1. That Council direct staff to allocate \$1,000.00 from the Community Grants Program to support the 2025 Nature's Emporium Run for Southlake Hospital Foundation and Strides for Mackenzie Health.

Carried

13. Motion to Convene into Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Cescolini Seconded by: Councillor Boyd

That in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, and Section 9 of Procedural By-law 2023-029, Council convene into Closed Session at 8:42 p.m. to consider the following items:

13.1 Verbal Report by the Director of Planning and Township Solicitor

Re: Litigation Matter, Direction Required (OLT-25-000077 - 13305 Highway 27)

Considered in Closed Session pursuant to Section 239(2)(e) of the Municipal Act, 2001; Litigation or Potential Litigation Affecting the Municipality

13.2 Verbal Report by the Director of Planning

Re: Litigation Matter, Direction Required (OLT-25-000145 - 50 Ellis Avenue)

Considered in Closed Session pursuant to Section 239(2)(e) of the Municipal Act, 2001; Litigation or Potential Litigation Affecting the Municipality

13.3 Approval of Closed Session Minutes

March 17, 2025, Closed Session Minutes

14. Re-Convene Council Meeting

Moved by: Councillor Cescolini Seconded by: Councillor Boyd

That Council reconvene from Closed Session at 9:15 p.m. into Open Session.

Carried

15. Business Arising from Closed Session

15.1 Approval of Closed Session Matters

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Seconded by: Councillor Anstey

That items 13.1 and 13.2. be received, and that staff proceed as directed on items 13.1 and 13.2.

Carried

15.2 Approval of Closed Session, Confidential Reports/Notes

Moved by: Councillor Asselstine **Seconded by:** Councillor Schaefer

That the Closed Session Confidential Reports/Notes listed herein, be approved:

• March 17, 2025, Closed Session Minutes

Carried

16. By-Laws

Moved by: Councillor Eek

Seconded by: Councillor Cescolini

That Council read a first, second, and third time, and enact By-laws 2025-024, 2025-027, and 2025-035.

Carried

- 16.1 By-Law Number 2025-024 Zoning By-law Amendment (Fandor Homes (Via Moto) Inc.)
- 16.2 By-law Number 2025-027 Zoning By-law Amend. to Lift 'H' (Remcore-Bracore)
- 16.3 By-Law Number 2025-035 Auth. Temporary Road Closure

17. Confirmation By-law

Moved by: Councillor Eek

Seconded by: Councillor Cescolini

That Council read a first, second, and third time, and enact By-law 2025-030.

Carried

17.1 By-law Number 2025-030 - Confirmation of Proceedings - April 14 2025

18. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

19. Notices

- 19.1 Notice of Rescheduled April 28, 2025 Council Meeting to April 29, 2025
- 19.2 Notice of Council Working Session April 29, 2025

20. Correspondence

20.1 Item 8.6 - Gregory Aloia - Discharge of Firearms and Bows By-law-Request for Exemption

20.2 Item 8.7 - Mark Snaper - Sign Variance Extension - 20620 Highway 11

Denny Timm	Steve Pellegrini
Township Clerk	Mayor