



Council Minutes

Monday, February 24, 2025

4:00 PM

Present	Trevor Bazinet, Mayor Leah Noel, Deputy Mayor Allison Segeren, Councillor John Thompson, Councillor Randy Carroll, Councillor Liz Petrie, Councillor Vanessa Kelly, Councillor
Staff Present	Janice Hallahan, Chief Administrative Officer Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations Amanda Banting, Deputy Clerk (Records Management Clerk)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Goderich Town Council meets in regular session on Monday, February 24, 2025.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Approval of Agenda

Clerk Andrea Fisher comments on a change to the Confirming By-Law number from 27 of 2025 to 26 of 2025.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel

Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That Goderich Town Council hereby accepts the February 24, 2025, regular Council Agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

3.2 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By: Councillor Segeren

Seconded By: Councillor Thompson

That Goderich Town Council hereby adopts the February 3, 2025, Regular Council Minutes and January 27, 2025, Budget Minutes, as printed.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC MEETING(S)

Moved By: Councillor Petrie
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Noel

That Town of Goderich Council enter into a Public Meeting at 4:01 PM to consider Zoning By-Law Amendment Application GOD Z01-2025 - 350 Bayfield Road (13249514 Canada Inc).

CARRIED

4.1 Victor Kloeze, Senior Planner re: Zoning By-Law Amendment Application GOD Z01-2025 - 350 Bayfield Road (13249514 Canada Inc)

4.2 Caroline Baker, Baker Planning Group re: Zoning By-Law Amendment Presentation - 350 Bayfield Road

Mayor Bazinet asks Council for any comments relating to the Zoning By-Law Amendment.

Mayor Bazinet asks three times if anyone in attendance wishes to speak in favour of the Application. There is no comment.

Mayor Bazinet asks three times if anyone in attendance wishes to speak against the Application. There is no comment.

Moved By: Councillor Carroll
Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That Council approve the proposed Zoning By-Law amendment GOD Z01-25 – 350 Bayfield Road;
And That Council approve the planning report regarding the effect of public and agency comments on the decision.

CARRIED

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel
Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Goderich Town Council now adjourn the Public Meeting and return to Regular Session of Council at 4:19 PM.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Phil Beard, General Manager and Erin Gouthro, Watershed Ecologist, Maitland Valley Conservation Authority re: Ecological Health Assessment - Maitland Woods, River Valley, and Shoreline Bluffs

Moved By: Councillor Petrie
Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Goderich Town Council refer the Ecological Health Assessment - Maitland Woods, River Valley, and Shoreline Bluffs presentation, to the Environment Committee for a report back to Council

CARRIED

5.2 Mayor's Remarks

5.3 Councillor Remarks

6. STAFF REPORTS

Moved By: Councillor Kelly
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That the Staff Reports be received for information and the noted action be approved.

CARRIED

6.1 Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk re: Website - Community Engagement

Staff Recommendation: Concur

6.2 Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: 2025 Fee By-Law Update

Staff Recommendation: Concur

6.3 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure, and Operations re: Water and Wastewater Request for Proposals

Staff Recommendation: Concur

6.4 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations and Deanna Hastie, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer re: Proposed Paid Parking Initiative

Staff Recommendation: Council direction required

Moved By: Councillor Thompson
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Goderich Town Council approve Option 1 for the paid parking initiative at the Maitland Valley Medical Centre.

CARRIED

6.5 Sean Thomas, Director of Community Services, Infrastructure and Operations re: Rebuilding Downtown Infrastructure Project Communications Liaison

Staff Recommendation: Concur

Moved By: Councillor Thompson
Seconded By: Councillor Carroll

That Goderich Town Council defer the request for a Rebuilding Downtown Infrastructure Project Communications Liaison.

CARRIED

6.6 Kyle Williams, Community Services and Operations Manager re: Maitland Recreation Centre Facility Rental

Staff Recommendation: Concur

6.7 Jason Dykstra, Building Services Manager/Chief Building Official re: Month End Report - January 2025

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

6.8 Jason Dykstra, Building Services Manager/Chief Building Official re: Heritage Permit Application 2025-003 - 36-38 Kingston Street - Signage

Staff Recommendation: Approve without conditions

6.9 Jeff Wormington, Fire Services Manager/Fire Chief re: 2024 Annual Report

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

6.10 Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health and Safety Manager re: Tyler Smith - Mental Health Speaker

Staff Recommendation: Receive for information

6.11 Bonnie Hastings, Manager of Childcare Services re: Month End Report - January 2025

Staff Recommendation: Concur

7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND COPIED FOR WHICH THE DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS REQUIRED

7.1 Wendy Young, Alumni Benefit Campaign re: Former NHL All-Stars VS. Central Huron Firefighters - Request for Financial Support

Moved By: Councillor Segeren

Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Goderich Town Council deny the request for funding from the Pro Hockey Hero's Charity due to deadlines outlined in the Community Grant Policy.

CARRIED

7.2 Jim Howard, Goderich Shuffleboard Club re: Memorial Arena Closure Request

Received.

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION

Moved By: Councillor Petrie

Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That the correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

8.1 Maitland Valley Conservation Authority Minutes - December 18, 2024

8.2 Goderich Fire Committee Minutes - January 7, 2025

8.3 Huron-Perth Children's Aid Society re: Community-Based Board Members

8.4 Colleen McGregor, Goderich World Day of Prayer re: Press Release

8.5 Huron County Immigration Partnership re: February 2025 Newsletter

8.6 Notice of Application for Consent for Severance - C01-2025 - 81343B Mill Road - Homan

8.7 Bernie Derible, Deputy Minister and Commissioner of Emergency Management Treasury Board Secretariat re: 2024 Emergency Management Professionals Achievements

8.8 Kate Krouskie re: Memorial Arena

8.9 Jim Rees re: Memorial Arena

8.10 Town of Halton Hills re: Resolution Request - Sovereignty of Canada

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Goderich Town Council support the County of Peterborough's resolution regarding Proposed U.S. Tariffs on Canadian Goods.

CARRIED

- 8.11 County of Peterborough re: Resolution Request - Proposed U.S. Tariffs on Canadian Goods

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel
Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That Goderich Town Council support the County of Peterborough's resolution regarding the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canada.

CARRIED

- 8.12 County of Northumberland re: Resolution Request - Deposit Return Program

- 8.13 Town of Cobourg re: Resolution Request - Municipal Restructuring Study

- 8.14 Town of Aylmer re: Resolution Request - Opposition to Provincial Legislation on Cycling Lanes and Support for Municipal Authority in Transportation Planning

Moved By: Councillor Segeren
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Noel

That Goderich Town Council support the Town of Aylmer's resolution regarding opposition to Provincial legislation on cycling lanes and support for municipal authority in transportation planning.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION NOTED

Moved By: Councillor Carroll
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Noel

That the correspondence items be received for information and the noted action be approved.

CARRIED

- 9.1 Autism Ontario re: Proclamation on World Autism Day 2025 - Flag Raising Request

Staff Recommendation: Concur

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 10.1 Facilitating Community Events in Town-Owned Spaces - Refer to item 6.6 - remove

- 10.2 Town Hall Information Sessions - Report forthcoming at the March 17, 2025, Council Meeting

11. BY-LAWS

Mayor Bazinet calls for a recorded vote.

The Clerk records accordingly as follows:

Moved By: Councillor Carroll
 Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

That By-Laws 19 of 2025, be read a first, second, and third time, and finally passed.

	For	Against
Mayor Bazinet	X	
Deputy Mayor Noel		X
Councillor Segeren	X	
Councillor Thompson		X
Councillor Carroll	X	
Councillor Petrie	X	
Councillor Kelly	X	
Results	5	2

CARRIED (5 to 2)

Moved By: Councillor Petrie
 Seconded By: Councillor Carroll

That By-Laws 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25 of 2025, be read a first, second, and third time, collectively.

CARRIED

11.1 By-Law 19 of 2025

Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to an Agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Goderich and Finger Eleven-Finger Eleven Touring Inc. for the purpose of entertainment at the Goderich Salt and Harvest Festival

11.2 By-Law 20 of 2025

Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to a Lease Agreement between Krishna Medicine Professional Corporation and the Corporation of the Town of Goderich

11.3 By-Law 21 of 2025

Being a By-Law to approve the establishment of a Housing Enabling Water Reserve Fund

11.4 By-Law 22 of 2025

Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to an Agreement for Retro-Reflectivity Inspections between the Corporation of the Town of Goderich and Advantage Data Collection for a three-year term.

11.5 By-Law 23 of 2025

Being a By-Law to approve a Shared Recruitment Incentives Agreement for Physician Recruitment between the Alexandra Marine and General Hospital and the Corporation of the Town of Goderich for the Purpose of Physician Recruitment - Dr. P. Dixon

11.6 By-Law 24 of 2025

Being a By-Law to amend Zoning By-Law 124 of 2013, as amended, of the Corporation of the Town of Goderich - 350 Bayfield Road

11.7 By-Law 25 of 2025

Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to a Terms of Reference for a Town of Goderich 2027 Bicentennial Committee

12. MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF MOTIONS

12.1 Declaring Land as Surplus - Anglesea Street

Moved By: Councillor Carroll

Seconded By: Councillor Segeren

That Goderich Town Council declare Part of Park Lot 4, Registered Plan No. 468 and Part of Maitland Road Registered Plan No. 457, Town of Goderich, County of Huron, Being Part 2 Plan 22R-7330 as surplus; And further that staff follow the procedures governing the disposal of land outlined in By-Law 5 of 2012.

CARRIED

13. NEW BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings:

- Monday, February 24, 2025, at 10:00 AM, Memorial Arena Task Force
- Monday, March 3, 2025, at 2:00 PM, Special Council
- Monday, March 10, 2025, at 10:00 AM, Environment Committee
- Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 5:30 PM, BIA Board of Management
- Monday, March 17, 2025, at 4:00 PM, Council
- Monday, March 24, 2025, at 4:00 PM, Budget Meeting

14. CLOSED SESSION

In the event that Council enters into a possible Closed Session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, Council will reconvene following the Closed Session at which time the public and press may be present.

15. REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

16. PUBLIC FORUM

Kate Krouskie provides comments regarding taxes, upcoming charette and surveys and concerns with costs surrounding the Memorial Arena, and how much things cost in general.

Jim Reese comments on GSP Group being awarded another contract for consulting services, 2015 processes surrounding Bannister Park, and consultation from the public on large capital purchases.

17. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved By: Councillor Kelly
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That leave be given to introduce By-Law 26 of 2025 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Goderich Town Council meeting held on February 24, 2025, and that it now be read a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this February 24, 2025.

CARRIED

18. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel
Seconded By: Councillor Carroll

That Goderich Town Council does now adjourn at 5:47 PM to meet again at the Special meeting of Council scheduled for March 3, 2025, at 2 PM.

CARRIED

MAYOR, Trevor Bazinet

CLERK, Andrea Fisher