



TOWN OF COLLINGWOOD

COUNCIL MINUTES

February 3, 2025, 2:00 p.m.
Council Chambers and by Videoconference
97 Hurontario Street, Collingwood ON

Council Present: Mayor Yvonne Hamlin
Deputy Mayor Tim Fryer
Councillor Kathy Jeffery
Councillor Deb Doherty
Councillor Chris Potts
Councillor Rob Ring

Council Absent: Councillor Christopher Baines
Councillor Steve Perry

Staff Present: Sonya Skinner, CAO
Sara Almas, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

Sustainable, Connected, Vibrant Collingwood is an inclusive community that offers a healthy and active lifestyle in a beautiful waterfront setting, anchored by a responsible government, strong business and nonprofit networks, and an animated downtown.

1. Call of Council to Order

Mayor Hamlin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Fryer provided the recognition and acknowledgement of the traditional territory of the Indigenous peoples. Councillor Jeffery participated in the meeting virtually.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

RES-061-2025

Moved by: Councillor Rob Ring
Seconded by: Councillor Chris Potts

THAT the content of the Council Agenda for February 3, 2025 be adopted as amended:

- Addition of Item 4.1 Motions re: Support Canadian Products and Services

CARRIED

3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

None.

4. **Motions**

4.1 **Support Canadian Products and Services, Mayor Hamlin**

Deputy Mayor Fryer assumed the Chair.

RES-062-2025

Moved by: Mayor Yvonne Hamlin

Seconded by: Councillor Rob Ring

Whereas Canada has been a consistent ally, friend and neighbour of the United States;

And whereas a trade agreement was signed only a few years ago between our countries, to the benefit of both;

And whereas the White House, contrary to that trade agreement has announced the levying of significant tariffs against products sold to the United States from Canada;

And whereas these unjust, unfair and illegal tariffs will cause economic hurt and disruption to manufacturers and businesses and their employees in Collingwood and across Canada;

And whereas this is an act of economic warfare;

And whereas our Prime Minister and Premier are encouraging Canadians to choose Canada and to choose products made in Canada;

And whereas we must stand united and strong to meet this moment and protect our communities.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Collingwood only purchase products made in Canada whenever practicable, in all of its purchasing decisions, including increasing current invitational and open market thresholds in the Procurement By-law to enable targeted purchases from Canadian Suppliers;

And that Staff investigate and report back further purchasing practices that can create a structured framework that enables Collingwood to prioritize Canadian products and services;

And that the Town take steps to encourage its residents and businesses to buy products made in Canada;

And that Staff convene an Economic Development Roundtable meeting at the earliest opportunity with members of our manufacturing and business community;

And that a copy of this motion be forwarded to FCM, AMO, the Mayors of the municipalities in South Georgian Bay and the Wardens of Simcoe and Grey Counties.

CARRIED

Mayor Hamlin resumed the Chair.

5. In-Camera

5.1 Proceed In-Camera

RES-063-2025

Moved by: Councillor Chris Potts

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Tim Fryer

WHEREAS the Clerk hereby concurs the reason(s) for the in-camera session have been duly reviewed and considered and the matters are authorized under the exception provisions to conduct a closed session in accordance with the Municipal Act prior to proceeding into closed session;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council proceeds in camera in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- the security of the property of the municipality or local board; (Item 5.3)
- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (Item 5.4)
- a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; (Item 5.2)
- labour relations or employee negotiations; (Item 5.4)
- advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; (Item 5.2)
- 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. (Items 5.2 and 5.3)

CARRIED

5.2 Property Disposition

5.3 Servicing Request

5.4 CAO Performance Plan

5.5 Approval of In-camera Minutes

5.6 Rise (and Report if available)

RES-064-2025

Moved by: Councillor Chris Potts
Seconded by: Councillor Deb Doherty

THAT Council herein rise from in-camera and return to open session.
(4:31PM)

CARRIED

6. Confirmatory By-Law

RES-065-2025

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tim Fryer
Seconded by: Councillor Deb Doherty

THAT By-law No. 2025-010, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular meeting of Council held February 3, 2025, be enacted and passed this 3rd day of February, 2025.

CARRIED

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Potts

THAT the Council meeting be hereby adjourned at 4:35 p.m. **CARRIED.**

Mayor

Clerk