

## **The Corporation of the Township of White River**

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council for December 11, 2024

**Present:**

Council:	Tara Hart	Mayor
	Dwijen Bharad	Councillor – via zoom
	Rodney Swarek	Councillor
	Rob Sedore	Councillor
	Raymond St. Louis	Councillor – absent with notice
Staff:	Rosalie Evans	Acting Deputy Clerk – via Zoom
	Renée Berube	Deputy Clerk
Public:	Angelo Bazzoni	

**1. Call meeting to order**

Mayor Hart called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest/Pecuniary Interest**

None

**3. Amendment & Adoption of Agenda**

**Resolution No. 2024-242**

Moved by: Councillor Sedore  
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Township of White River amend the agenda for this evening's meeting by adding, as Item 11.3, the minutes from the Closed Session portion of the Regular Council Meeting held November 13, 2024; **AND, FURTHER, THAT** Council adopts the agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 27, 2024, as so amended.

**Carried**

**4. Delegations (none scheduled)**

**5. Adoption of Minutes of Prior Council Meetings (Open Session)**

**Resolution No. 2024-243**

Moved by: Councillor Sedore  
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River adopt the minutes for the open session of the Regular Council meeting of November 27, 2024, as circulated

**Carried**

**6. Business Arising from Minutes**

No business arising from the minutes was raised.

**7. Departmental Reports**

**7.1 Community Development and Beautification Committee**

Minutes were presented from the December 2, 2024 meeting.

7.2 Recreation & Events Committee

No report was available for this meeting.

7.3 Community Development Committee

Discussed plans to restructure and get EDC up and running  
Next meeting scheduled for January 14, 2025

7.4 Water/Sewer

No report was available for this meeting.

7.5 Public Works

No report was available for this meeting.

7.6 Parks & Recreation

No report was available for this meeting.

7.7 Fire Department

Header work being done.

7.8 Deputy Clerk Report

The Deputy Clerk and the Acting Deputy Clerk overviewed their report for Council

**Resolution No. 2024-244**

Moved by: Councillor Swarek

Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River receive the Departmental reports listed under item 7 of this evening's agenda.

**Carried**

**8. Correspondence**

8.1 Email: FONOM

8.2 Email: Superior East OPP Board

8.3 Email: Barrick Hemlo Update

**Resolution No. 2024-245**

Moved by: Councillor Swarek

Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River payment for the OPP Board expenditures for 2025, in the amount of \$7500.00, and authorizes Administration to pay the invoice, as issued, on or before the due date of January 31, 2025;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this payment is authorized as a pre-budget approval for 2025.

**Carried**

**9. Resolutions**

9.1 Disbursements

**Resolution No. 2024-246**

Moved by: Councillor Swarek  
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of White River approves the disbursements as of December 11, 2024, in the amount of \$178,467.65  
**Carried**

9.2 Appointment of Acting CAO/Clerk

**Resolution No. 2024-247**

Moved by: Councillor Sedore  
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 2024-23, Being a By-Law to appoint an Interim CAO/Clerk, be passed;

**AND THAT** this By-Law shall come into full force and effect on the date of its passage.  
**Carried**

9.3 Contract renewal PSAP services

**Resolution No. 2024-248**

Moved by: Councillor Sedore  
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorize the Mayor and Deputy Clerk to enter into the new, effective January 1, 2025, agreement with the Ontario Provincial Police for the provision of 9-1-1 Primary Public Safety Answering Point services;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this represents a pre-budget authorization for payment for the 2025 budget year.

**Carried**

**10. Other Business**

- 10.1 Kresin Change Order- WTP Ozone System Replacement
- 10.2 Council Confidentiality

**Resolution No. 2024-249**

Moved by: Councillor Swarek  
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the change order, number 3, recommended by Kresin Engineering relating to the Ozone System Replacement project at the water treatment plant, as presented in this evening's agenda package.

**Carried**

**11. Closed Session**

**Resolution No. 2024-250**

Moved by: Councillor Bharad  
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the time being 7:36 pm, the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River close the next portion of the meeting to the public, under the authority of those paragraphs of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, for which the meeting was closed, in order to address the minutes of the closed session portion of the Council meeting held November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Item 11.3 of this evening's agenda, and under paragraphs 239(2)(b) [personal matters about identifiable individuals] and 239(2)(d) [labour relations or employee negotiations] of the same legislation, in order to address the reports at Items 11.1 and 11.2 of this evening's agenda..

**Carried**

During closed session, the following procedural resolution was passed.

**Resolution No. 2024-251**

Moved by: Councillor Bharad  
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the time being 8:07 pm, the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River rise from Closed session and report in Open Session.

**Carried**

**Report from Closed Session**

**Resolution No. 2024-252**

Moved by: Councillor Sedore  
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River approves the Closed Session Minutes, as circulated, for the Regular meeting held on November 27, 2024.

**Carried**

**Resolution No. 2024-253**

Moved by: Councillor Bharad  
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of White River authorizes the Administration to proceed as directed in closed session.

**Carried**

**12. Adjournment**

There being no further business on the agenda, Mayor Hart declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

**13. Next Meeting**

The next Council Meeting is the Regular Meeting on January 8, 2025.

Acting Mayor 

  
Deputy Clerk