

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

Monday October 6, 2025

The Town of Halton Hills Council met this 6th day of October, 2025 in the Council Chambers, Halton Hills Town Hall and Via Zoom, commencing at 1:00 p.m., with Mayor A. Lawlor in the Chair convening into Open Session at 4:22 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor A. Lawlor, Councillor C. Somerville (EP), Councillor J.

(EP-Electronic Participation) (Open Session)

Fogal, Councillor A. Hilson, Councillor J. Brass, Councillor M. Kindbom, Councillor C. Garneau, Councillor R. Norris, Councillor

B. Inglis, Councillor D. Keene, Councillor M. Albano

STAFF PRESENT (Open Session) (E – Electronically Present)

C. Mills, Chief Administrative Officer, V. Petryniak, Town Clerk & Director of Legislative Services, D. Syzbalski, Commissioner of Community Services, J. Ison, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services, J. Rehill, Commissioner & Chief of Fire Services, J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development, B. Andrews, Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works, J. Vandermeer, Acting Treasurer, B. King, Chief Librarian & CEO

*Recommendation varies from Staff Recommendation

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor A. Lawlor called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

2. MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2025-0162

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the Council of the Town of Halton Hills meet in closed session in order to address the following matters:

- 2.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT NO. CS-2025-020 dated October 6, 2025 regarding the security of the property of the municipality or local board. (Security)
- 2.3 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. CSE-2025-019 dated September 22, 2025 regarding the security of the property of the municipality or local board. (Facilities)
- 2.4 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2025-055 dated September 19, 2025 regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. (Planning Matters)
- 2.5 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2025-059 dated September 17, 2025 regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. (OLT)
- 2.6 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2025-064 dated September 24, 2025 regarding ligation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. (OLT)

CARRIED

Council recessed at 4:06 p.m.

3. OPEN MEETING

Resolution No. 2025-0163

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills reconvene this meeting in open session.

CARRIED

Council reconvened in Open Session at 4:22 p.m.

1. O CANADA

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is part of the Treaty lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit.

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor B. Inglis declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 2.4, Confidential Report No. PD-2025-055 as he owns property in the area mentioned within the report. He did not participate in the discussion or voting on this matter.

4. OTHER BUSINESS (ANNOUNCEMENTS, EMERGENCY MATTERS)

1. Canadian Library Month

Mayor A. Lawlor announced that October is Canadian Library Month, and the Halton Hills Public Library will be hosting several events throughout the month. Event details can be found on the <u>library's website</u>.

2. Halloween Costume Bike Parade

Councillor J. Fogal announced that Bike It is hosting the Halloween Costume Bike Parade on Saturday October 18th at 1 p.m. in the Gellert parking lot and on the multi-use paths within the park.

3. Downtown Georgetown Farmer's Market and Masquerade on Main

Councillor R. Norris announced that Saturday October 11th will be the Thanksgiving Market with Saturday October 18th being the last farmer's market of the season. Both events run from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. downtown Georgetown. Masquerade on Main will be held on Saturday October 25th from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. downtown Georgetown. Trick or Treating will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. followed by a scavenger hunt from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Further event information can be found on the Downtown Georgetown BIA's website.

4. Acton Citizen of the Year

Councillor C. Somerville announced that on October 14th at the Acton Town Hall Nancy Wilkes will be celebrated on being named the Acton Citizen of the Year.

5. Arts for the Birds Exhibition

Councillor C. Garneau announced that on October 18th the closing of the Arts for the Birds Exhibition will be held. This event will include the announcement of the official Town bird. Full event details can be found on Halton Hills Nature's website.

6. Downtown Acton Trick or Treat at Main and Mill

Councillor M. Albano announced that the annual trick or treat at Mill and Main will be taking place on October 25th from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Further event details can be found on the Downtown Acton BIA's website.

7. Emergency Matter – Opposition to the Cancellation of Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) in Ontario

Resolution No. 2025-0164

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville Seconded By: Mayor A. Lawlor

WHEREAS ensuring the safety of all road users, including drivers, cyclists, pedestrians, and other vulnerable users—is a shared and ongoing priority for the Town of Halton Hills and the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS reducing vehicle speeds contributes significantly to creating calmer, safer neighbourhoods that encourage active forms of transportation such as walking, cycling, etc., aligning with the Town of Halton Hills' Active Transportation Master Plan and broader community well-being goals;

AND WHEREAS in 2019, the Province of Ontario filed enabling legislation to allow municipalities to utilize Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) as a tool to address speeding and public safety;

AND WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario, including the Town of Halton Hills, have invested in and supported the implementation of ASE as a provincially regulated and proven traffic safety tool, particularly effective in school zones and community safety zones;

AND WHEREAS there is ample evidence that ASE has proven to be an effective tool in improving road safety, reducing speeding in high-risk areas such as school zones and community safety zones;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) supports the use of ASE tools as an important element in enhancing traffic safety programs and that ASE allows police resources to focus on other public safety priorities;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Traffic Council (OTC) has identified ASE as one of the most successful evidence-based road safety solutions Ontario municipalities have available and has proven to curb speeding in school and community safety zones;

AND WHEREAS public opinion research indicates that nearly threequarters of Ontario drivers support ASE, especially in areas where vulnerable road users are at greatest risk;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has announced plans for the cancellation of Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) programs across the province;

AND WHEREAS any cancellation, rollback, or reduction of ASE programs would undermine the efforts of municipalities—like the Town of Halton Hills—that have committed planning and financial resources in good faith, based on provincial legislation and guidance;

AND WHEREAS inconsistent deployment and operation of ASE across Ontario municipalities presents a clear opportunity for the Province to promote greater alignment, coordination, and consistent adoption of best practices across jurisdictions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Halton Hills strongly opposes any cancellation, reduction, or legislative rollback of Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) programs in Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT Council urges the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of Transportation, to work collaboratively with municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) to strengthen and expand ASE programs and to promote consistency, funding support, and regulatory alignment across the province:

AND FURTHER THAT Council calls on the Government of Ontario to maintain and enhance municipalities' authority to implement ASE in school zones, community safety zones, and other high-risk areas, as part of broader road safety and active transportation strategies;

AND FURTHER THAT Council further directs that this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Joseph Racinsky, MPP for Wellington—Halton Hills, Leaders of the Provincial Opposition Parties, The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), The Ontario Traffic Council (OTC), Good Roads, Halton Region, Town of Milton, Town of Oakville and the City of Burlington.

Recorded Vote:

In Favor: Mayor A. Lawlor, Councillor C. Somerville, Councillor A. Hilson, Councillor M. Albano, Councillor J. Brass, Councillor M. Kindbom, Councillor J. Fogal, Councillor C. Garneau, Councillor R. Norris, Councillor B. Inglis, Councillor D. Keene

Opposed: NIL

CARRIED

5. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT GENERAL COMMITTEE ITEMS FROM THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Resolution No. 2025-0165

Moved By: Councillor M. Kindbom Seconded By: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT the recommendations contained in the following Reports from the Monday September 15, 2025 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted as presented:

Report No. PD-2025-056 (Recommendation No. GC-2025-0116)

THAT Report No. PD-2025-056, titled Official Plan Review Project - Key Informant Interviews, dated September 4, 2025, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council endorse the list of Key Informant organizations as recommended by staff and identified in this report, to be interviewed as part of the Official Plan Review project in keeping with the Council approved Public Engagement Strategy.

Report No. TPW-2025-022 (Recommendation No. GC-2025-0117)

THAT Report No. TPW-2025-022, dated August 19, 2025, regarding the Ballinafad Neighbourhood Traffic Calming, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the proposed traffic calming measures identified within the Ballinafad Neighbourhood Traffic Calming Report be implemented.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

Resolution No. 2025-0166

Moved By: Councillor R. Norris Seconded By: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT the following minutes are hereby approved:

- 6.1 Confidential Minutes of the Council Workshop held on Monday September 8, 2025.
- 6.2 Minutes of the Council Workshop held on Monday September 8, 2025.
- 6.3 Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday September 15, 2025.
- 6.4 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday September 15, 2025.

CARRIED

7. PUBLIC PRESENTATION/DELEGATION

NIL

8. CONSENT ITEMS

Item No. 8.1, Memorandum No. CSE-2025-007 was moved to General Committee for discussion.

9. GENERAL COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 2025-0167

Moved By: Councillor J. Fogal Seconded By: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT Council do now convene into General Committee.

CARRIED

Councillor M. Albano assumed the role of Presiding Officer.

1. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

NIL

2. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

All Reports and Memorandums considered in General Committee will receive final disposition at the next Council meeting. Reports and Memorandums requiring immediate disposition at this meeting will be considered an immediate Action Item and will be identified with an (IA) beside the title.

a. REPORT NO. ADMIN-2025-021

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0119

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2025-021 dated October 6, 2025 regarding the 2026 Council Calendar be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2026 Council Calendar (Appendix A) be approved.

CARRIED

b. REPORT NO. PD-2025-051 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0120

THAT Report No. PD-2025-051, dated September 15, 2025 and titled "Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - 16 Main Street South (Georgetown)" be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 16 Main Street South, Georgetown, Town of Halton Hills, known as the McKinlay – McAllister House, legally described as "PLAN 33 PT LOT 4" under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property at 16 Main Street South, Georgetown, Town of Halton Hills be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

c. REPORT NO. PD-2025-052 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0121

THAT Report No. PD-2025-052, dated September 15, 2025 and titled "Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 9 Prince Street (Glen Williams) be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 9 Prince Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills, known as Norton House, legally described as "PT LT 67, PL 56, PT LT 68, PL 56, PART 3, 20R3983; HALTON HILLS" under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property at 9 Prince Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

d. REPORT NO. PD-2025-053 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0122

THAT Report No. PD-2025-053, dated September 17, 2025, and titled "Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 28 Mountain St (Glen Williams)" be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 28 Mountain Street, legally described as "LT 22, PL GLEN WILLIAMS; PT LT 21, PL GLEN WILLIAMS, PT LTS 23 & 24, PL GLEN WILLIAMS, PART 1, 2, 20R5022; AKA; LT 7, RCP 1556; HALTON HILLS", under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property, legally described above, be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

e. REPORT NO. PD-2025-054 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0123

THAT Report No. PD-2025-054, dated September 17, 2025, and titled "Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 511 Main St (Glen Williams)" be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 511 Main Street, legally described as "PT VILLAGE LOT 63, PL 49 & PT LT 21, CON 10 ESQ DES AS PTS 2,3,5,6,7,8ON 20R17447; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING. S/T INTEREST IN 19109. S/T EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PTS 3,5,6,7,8, 20R17447 AS IN HR624717", under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property, legally described above, be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

8.1 Development of a Community Organization Affiliation Policy and Program

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0124

THAT Memorandum No. CSE-2025-007 dated September 12, 2025 regarding Development of a Community Organization Affiliation Policy and Program be received.

CARRIED

3. ADJOURN BACK INTO COUNCIL

Recommendation No. GC-2025-0125

THAT General Committee do now reconvene into Council.

CARRIED

Council recessed at 5:24 p.m.

Council reconvened at 6:04 p.m. for the Statutory Public Meetings

Council reconvened into Closed Session at 6:50 p.m. after the Statutory Public Meetings

Resolution No. 2025-0169

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris THAT the Council of the Town of Halton Hills meet in closed session in order to address the following matters:

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CARRIED

Council reconvened in Open Session at 7:21 p.m.

Resolution No. 2025-0170

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills reconvene this meeting in open session.

CARRIED

10. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS FROM GENERAL COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 2025-0168

Moved By: Councillor A. Hilson Seconded By: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT the recommendations contained in the following Immediate Action Item Reports from the Monday October 6, 2025 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted as presented:

Report No. PD-2025-051 (Recommendation No. GC-2025-0120)

Report No. PD-2025-052 (Recommendation No. GC-2025-0121)

Report No. PD-2025-053 (Recommendation No. GC-2025-0122)

Report No. PD-2025-054 (Recommendation No. GC-2025-0123)

CARRIED

11. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Resolution No. 2025-0171

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor J. Fogal

THAT the recommendations contained in the following Confidential Reports from the Monday October 6, 2025 Closed Session of Council are hereby adopted as presented; AND FURTHER THAT staff carry out any of Council's direction on these matters as set out in the Confidential minutes dated October 6, 2025.

Report No. CS-2025-020

Report No. CSE-2025-019

Report No. PD-2025-055

Report No. PD-2025-059

Report No. PD-2025-064

CARRIED

12. MOTIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/PETITIONS

NIL

13. NOTICE OF MOTION

- 1. Bill 21, Protect Our Food Act Councillor J. Fogal
- 2. Elect Respect Pledge Councillor C. Garneau

14. REQUESTS FOR REPORTS

- 1. Request for Seasonal Exemption to By-law 2019-0008 (Petition received from residents) Councillor R. Norris
- 2. Regulation of e-scooters Councillor D. Keene

15. RECEIVE AND FILE GENERAL INFORMATION PACKAGE

Resolution No. 2025-0172

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the General Information Package dated October 6, 2025 be received.

CARRIED

16. STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING - Start at 6:00 p.m.

- 1. 2026 Rates and Fees (Building Permits)
 - a. REPORT NO. TPW-2025-023

Resolution No. 2025-0173

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor M. Kindbom

THAT Report No. TPW-2025-023, dated October 6, 2025, regarding 2026 Building Services Division Fees, be received

CARRIED

2. 16406 5 Side Road (Esquesing) - Melody Estates

a. REPORT NO. PD-2025-057

Resolution No. 2025-0174

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano Seconded By: Councillor M. Kindbom THAT Report No. PD-2025-057, dated September 22, 2025, regarding the "Public Meeting for proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to permit an events venue/banquet facility for weddings, events and other gatherings at 16406 5 Side Road (Esquesing)", be received;

AND FURTHER THAT all agency and public comments be referred to staff for a further report regarding the disposition of this matter.

CARRIED

17. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Resolution No. 2025-0175

Moved By: Councillor B. Inglis Seconded By: Councillor J. Fogal

THAT the following Bills are hereby passed by Council;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the said by-laws and affix the seal of the Corporation thereto:

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0082

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2025-0061 for the appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the purpose of enforcing the Town's Parking By-laws and other By-laws as designated by the Clerk & Director of Legislative Services.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0083

A By-law to designate the Tost Blacksmith Shop and Schenk House, located at 3 Prince Street, Glen Williams, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0084

A By-law to designate Tracey House, located at 32 Stewarttown Road, Stewarttown, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0085

A By-law to designate Lorne School, located at 14021 Regional Road 25 under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0086

A By-law to designate the St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church, located at 537-539 Main Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0087

A By-law to designate the Woollen Mills Housing, located at 5 Tweedle Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0088

A By-law to designate the Woollen Mills Housing, located at 7 Tweedle Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0089

A By-law to designate the Woollen Mills Housing, located at 9 Tweedle Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0090

A By-law to adopt the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on the 6th day of October, 2025 and to authorize its execution.

CARRIED

18. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2025-0176

Moved By: Councillor B. Inglis Seconded By: Councillor A. Hilson

THAT this Council meeting do now adjourn at 7:29 p.m.

CARRIED
Ann Lawlor, MAYOR
Valerie Petryniak, TOWN CLERK