



**MINUTES**  
**Public Safety Committee**  
**Tuesday, October 24, 2023**  
**Council Chambers 6:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Scott Brum (Chair), Rob Dodge, Rick Smith, Gary Scholl, Mackenzie Brum, Mayor Mark MacKenzie (ex-officio).

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mandy Cannon, Recording Secretary

**ABSENT:** Councillor Robert Campbell (Vice Chair), Don Lawson

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

We acknowledge that we are on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe Peoples.

**2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared at this time.

**3. Adoption of the Agenda**

3.1 Dated October 24, 2023

The following item was added to the Agenda:

9.1 Update from County of Renfrew Operations Committee (Reduce Speed Limit on Green Meadows Road to Highland Road)

**RECOMMENDATION-26-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

***THAT the Agenda dated October 24, 2023 be adopted as amended.***

**CARRIED.**

**4. Delegations and Presentations**

4.1 Steve Stephens - Safety Concerns in Stewartville (Devlin Cres/Barkley Street & Flat Rapids Road)

Mr. Stephens expressed his concerns with the intersection of Devlin Crescent/Barkley Street and Flat Rapids Road and requested that the brush be cut back in order to improve visibility. Mr. Stephens also indicated that speeding in the Stewartville area is of concern.

**RECOMMENDATION-27-2023**

Moved by Mackenzie Brum, seconded by Rob Dodge

*THAT the Public Safety Committee recommends that Council direct staff to perform brushing at the Devlin Cres./Barkley Street and Flat Rapids Road intersection to improve visibility of oncoming traffic.*

**CARRIED.**

**RECOMMENDATION-28-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

*THAT the Public Safety Committee recommends that the speed on Flat Rapids Road from Stewartville Road (Cty. Rd. 63) to Jahns Bay Road be posted at 50km/h and that the Speed By-Law be amended to reflect the change.*

**CARRIED.**

**5. Adoption of Committee Minutes**

5.1 June 27, 2023 - Meeting Minutes

**RECOMMENDATION-29-2023**

Moved by Mackenzie Brum, seconded by Rob Dodge

*THAT the minutes of the June 27, 2023 Public Safety Committee Meeting be adopted as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

**6. Requests Submitted by Members of the Public**

6.1 Michelle Girdwood - Issues on Golf Club Road

**RECOMMENDATION-30-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

*THAT the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Scholl & Mr. Smith expressed their frustrations with the lack of action from the Committee. Indicating that it has been very ineffective and contemplating if there is any point in continuing. Mayor MacKenzie explained the Committee process.

Mayor MacKenzie suggested that a new heading be added to Committee Agendas titled "Matters Arising from Previous Minutes" to allow the opportunity to update the Committee on outstanding matters from a previous meeting. This suggestion will be brought forward to Council.

- 6.2 Terry Zoryk - Speed Concern on Flat Rapids Road

**RECOMMENDATION-31-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

- 6.3 Lou Laventure Speed Limit Concerns

**RECOMMENDATION-32-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

- 6.4 Vanessa Spratt - Speed & Safety Concerns on Maple Bend Road

**RECOMMENDATION-33-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

- 6.5 Speed Concern - Stewartville Rd in front of McNab School

**RECOMMENDATION-34-2023**

Moved by Rob Dodge, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

Mr. Dodge excused himself from the meeting at this time (7:02 p.m.).

- 6.6 Alexander Rogozynski - No Parking Signage in Burnstown

**RECOMMENDATION-35-2023**

Moved by Mackenzie Brum, seconded by Gary Scholl

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

The Committee directed that a letter be sent to the owners of Neat Coffee Shop advising of this safety concern and asking that they install signage to prevent their customers from parking on the section of Burnstown Road from the intersection to the bridge. As this is a County Road, the Township does not have the jurisdiction to designate this as a "no parking" zone.

This matter will be brought forward to Council for direction as staff direction cannot be given at the Committee level.

**7. Reports**

Nil.

**8. Information Items**

8.1 Black Cat Speed Device

**RECOMMENDATION-36-2023**

Moved by Rick Smith, seconded by Mackenzie Brum

*THAT the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

8.2 Office of the Fire Marshal - Interpretation of s. 6(3) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act

**RECOMMENDATION-37-2023**

Moved by Rick Smith, seconded by Gary Scholl

*THAT the Public Safety Committee accept the Office of the Fire Marshal - Interpretation of s. 6(3) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

8.3 Speed Sign on Road

**RECOMMENDATION-38-2023**

Moved by Rick Smith, seconded by Gary Scholl

*THAT the Public Safety Committee accept this as information as submitted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

**9. Unfinished Business**

9.1 Update from County of Renfrew Operations Committee (Reduce Speed Limit on Green Meadows Road to Highland Road)

Mayor MacKenzie updated the Safety Committee on the previous request to the County to lower the speed limit on White Lake Road between Green Meadows and Highland Road stating that the County Operations Committee has denied this request.

**RECOMMENDATION-39-2023**

Moved by Rick Smith, seconded by Gary Scholl

*THAT the Public Safety Committee accept this verbal report as information.*

**CARRIED.**

**10. New Business**

- 10.1 Reduce Speed Limit on Usborne Street from River Road to McLean Drive (requested by Councillor Campbell)

Councillor Campbell was not in attendance this evening to discuss this matter.

**RECOMMENDATION-40-2023**

Moved by Rick Smith, seconded by Rob Dodge

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee accept this verbal update as information.*

**TABLED.**

- 10.2 December 2023 Meeting Schedule

**RECOMMENDATION-41-2023**

Moved by Mackenzie Brum, seconded by Rick Smith

***THAT** the Public Safety Committee agree to cancel the December 2023 meeting.*

**CARRIED.**

**11. Draft By-Laws**

Nil.

**12. Public Questions/Comments**

Nil.

**13. Notice of Upcoming Meeting Dates**

November 28, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

**14. Adjournment**

The Public Safety Committee Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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MEETING CHAIR