



**Town of Aurora
Council Workshop/Education Session
Minutes**

Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Time: 5:45 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

Council Members: Councillor Ron Weese (arrived 6:45 p.m.)
Councillor Rachel Gilliland (Chair)
Councillor Wendy Gaertner
Councillor John Gallo
Councillor Harold Kim

Members Absent: Mayor Tom Mrakas
Councillor Michael Thompson

Other Attendees: Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer
Allan Downey, Director, Operational Services
Iustina Voinea, Program Coordinator, Water, Wastewater,
Stormwater
Michael de Rond, Town Clerk
Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Council acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas

and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Gallo

Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

5. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

5.1 Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) – Standard of Care

Allan Downey, Director, Operational Services, provided an introduction and highlighted Council's responsibility, as owner of the municipal drinking water system, to ensure safe drinking water for the residents of Aurora.

Brigitte Roth, Principal Consultant, Acclaims Environmental Inc., presented an overview of the statutory standard of care and duties of Council under the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*. Brigitte reviewed the Town's drinking water system noting its shared responsibility with the region and province, operating authority structure, quality policy commitments and staff competency, drinking water sources, source protection planning and activities, water treatment, distribution system goals, infrastructure planning, effective monitoring and reporting, and the province's multi-barrier approach. Brigitte further reviewed the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks annual inspection and municipal drinking water licensing programs, annual quality management system activities and reporting, risk assessment, emergency management, customer service, key challenges, and owner oversight of major policy areas and programs.

Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the presentation be received for information.

Carried

6. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Carried

Rachel Gilliland, Councillor

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk