Town of Aurora
Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 1, 2019
Time and Location: 4 p.m., Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall
Committee Members: Anita Moore (Chair), Steve Hinder, Bill Hogg, Terry Jones, Tim Jones, and Jeff Thom
Member(s) Absent: None
Other Attendees: Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

Moved by Steve Hinder
Seconded by Bill Hogg

That Anita Moore be made Chair of the Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee and Tim Jones be made Vice-Chair.

Carried

1.  Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Terry Jones
Seconded by Steve Hinder

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

2.  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.
3. Receipt of the Minutes

None

4. Delegations

(a) Michael de Rond, Town Clerk
Re: Ad Hoc Committee Orientation

Mr. de Rond presented an overview of the roles and responsibilities of an advisory committee, committee members, the chair, and staff. He noted the importance of an advisory committee as a tool for civic engagement and highlighted various aspects of procedure, including the Town's Procedure By-law and the new Code of Conduct for Local Boards.

Moved by Bill Hogg
Seconded by Steve Hinder

That the presentation be received for information. Carried

5. Matters for Consideration

1. Memorandum from Town Clerk
Recent Information Regarding Electoral System Reform

Moved by Terry Jones
Seconded by Jeff Thom

1. That the memorandum regarding Recent Information Regarding Electoral System Reform be received for information. Carried

2. Round Table Discussion
Re: Electoral System Review

The Committee discussed the merits of an electoral system review in the Town of Aurora. The Committee agreed that a review is warranted, however, the review should not begin until the Province provides confirmation that the
Town’s boundaries will remain unchanged as a result of the Regional Government Review.

The Committee also requested affirmation from Council that a ward system review should proceed which would provide the Committee with a mandate moving forward.

Moved by Tim Jones
Seconded by Bill Hogg

1. That the comments and suggestions regarding the Electoral System Review be received and referred to staff for consideration and action as appropriate.

Carried

6. Adjournment

Moved by Steve Hinder
Seconded by Jeff Thom

That the meeting be adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Carried