

**Tara Community Working Group
MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 15, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
Tara Community Centre
150 Hamilton St. Tara ON N0H 2N0

Members Present: Karen Kerker
Brett McMullen
Deputy Mayor Jennifer Shaw
Tara Ward Councillor Peter Steinacker
Dave Tedford
Ken Thornburn

Staff Present: Jennifer Isber-Legge - Economic Development &
Communications Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Chair Jen Shaw called the meeting to order.

A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Subsequent to further discussion, the following resolution was passed.

TCWG-01-2025-01

Moved by: Karen Kerker

Seconded by: Ken Thornburn

Be it resolved that the agenda for the Tara Community Working Group be received and adopted as distributed by the Economic Development and Communications Coordinator.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None Disclosed

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

Subsequent to further discussion, the following resolution was passed.

TCWG-01-2025-02

Moved by: Brett McMullen

Seconded by: Tara Ward Councillor Peter Steinacker

Be it resolved that the minutes for the Tara Community Working Group on Nov 13, 2024 be approved as distributed by the Economic Development and Communications Coordinator.

Carried

5. New Business

5.1 Spruce the Bruce Grant

Potential projects discussed included

- Lights on the Tara sign and garden in front of the Downtown Parkette
- A summer market in the Downtown Parkette
- Signage identifying parks and areas of interest
- A Christmas Tree and event to light it, Christmas lights
- A downtown gathering space that includes a picnic table
- Banners on Main St.

Subsequent to further discussion, the following resolution was passed.

Moved by: Dave Tedford

Seconded by: Ken Thornburn

Be it resolved that the Tara Community Working Group recommends to Council that staff prepare a grant application for Spruce the Bruce regarding Christmas Lights and/or Banners and a Picnic Table.

Carried

5.2 2024 Project Update

The committee received for information purposes projects that were completed before the end of 2024.

6. Upcoming Business

The committee discussed the Commemorative Trees and Benches Policy currently being considered by Council as it pertains to the Tara Community Working Group.

7. Action Items Tracking Sheet

Items to be added to the Action Items Tracking Sheet at a medium priority include

- Main Street Parkette improvements and signage
- Town logo on the front of refuse receptacles

8. Next Meeting Date

9. Adjournment

Subsequent to further discussion, committee passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Ken Thornburn

Seconded by: Dave Tedford

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:20 am

Carried

Chair

Secretary