

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council of the
Corporation of the Township of Pelee
held at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall
on November 7, 2016

Mayor: Richard Masse
Deputy Mayor: Dave DeLellis
Councillors: Darlene Wiper
Dayne Malloch
Aurella Moritz

Staff: Wayne Miller, CAO
Katrina DiGiovanni, Deputy Clerk
Michelle Feltz, Deputy Treasurer

Delegations: None.

1.) Agenda

The agenda was presented for adoption and adopted, with one addition under 6c) New Business, 2017 Proposed Council Meeting Dates.

Moved by: Darlene Wiper

Seconded by: Dave DeLellis

Carried.

2.) Minutes

a.) The minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council for October 24, 2016 were presented and adopted.

Moved by: Dayne Malloch

Seconded by: Darlene Wiper

Carried.

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3.) Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4.) Petitions and Delegations

None.

5.) Old Business

None.

6.) New Business

(a) CAO/Mayor-Assistance Request from the Co-Op for Funding Remediation of Soil

Mayor Masse commented that there is an opportunity under the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for brownfield cleanup. He stated that if the Township were to partner with the Co-op, they may be able to access some funds to do a study to remediate the site. Mayor Masse commented that council would have to give their support for administration to work with the engineers on this application. Councillor Wiper asked how much funding was available, the Mayor responded that there was approximately \$70,000. Councillor Malloch asked what the partnership would look like, Mayor Masse stated that the Co-op could not apply for grant funding on their own.

Mayor Masse stated that only the consulting phase would be funded, the co-op would have to apply on their own to complete the study. The CAO commented that it would be 50% federally funded and 50% funded by the Co-op, and that the engineer advised it may be able to be funded 100%. Councillor Malloch wished to clarify that the Township would not be responsible for committing any funds to this remediation project. Councillor Moritz asked if there was a timeline for completion, Mayor Masse responded that there was not, but the sooner that the application was made, the sooner the remediation work could begin. Discussion continued, Mayor Masse stated it would be in the township's best interest to partner with the Co-op because of the potential of obtaining the Scudder Wharf. Discussion continued on the grant application funding schemes, and the involvement of the township. Councillor Malloch moved to assist the co-op in filing an application to apply for the grant under FCM for soil remediation.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-170:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

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Seconded By:

Darlene Wiper

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby agrees to direct administration to spend in kind resources on the Brownfield Remediation grant under FCM for soil remediation work at the Pelee Island Co-op to investigate grant opportunities and funding moving forward understanding that the municipality is not committed to providing funds or accepting any responsibility for the environmental issues and be brought back to council before submission”.

Carried.

(b) Deputy Treasurer-Capital Project Update

The Deputy Treasurer commented that the capital budget expenditure update was for information to show completed budgeted funds, and asked if anyone had any questions. Councillor Moritz asked about incomplete projects. The Deputy Treasurer commend that due to time constraints, some would have to be deferred until next year.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-171:

Moved By:

Aurella Moritz

Seconded By:

Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby accepts the Capital Project Update report from the Deputy Treasurer”.

Carried.

c.) 2017 Proposed Council Meeting Dates

The Deputy Treasurer recommended that the two meetings in the winter remain to be used as standalone budget meetings. Discussion continued about Councillor availability in the winter. The Deputy Treasurer commented that the capital budget should be done by the end of January. Mayor Masse commented to leave the schedule as presented.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-172:

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Moved By:

Aurella Moritz

Seconded By:

Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby agrees to approve the 2017 council meeting dates as presented”.

Carried.

8.) Disbursements

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-173:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby agrees to pay disbursements as presented and attached in the amount of \$55,622.13”.

Carried.

9.) Boards and Committees

(a) Drainage Committee Meeting Minutes, October 19, 2016

Deputy Mayor DeLellis asked how the progress on some of the recommendations were coming. The CAO commented that the Drainage Superintendent was following up on some of the projects for ditch cleaning, and was having some difficulty finding available vendors. Discussion continued on methods to complete projects.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-174:

Moved By:

Darlene Wiper

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Seconded By:

Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts the minutes from the Drainage Committee Meeting on October 19, 2016”.

Carried.

10.) Councillor and Miscellaneous Reports

a.) Deputy Mayor DeLellis-Parson’s Road Allowance Clearing

Deputy Mayor DeLellis asked about the progress of clearing out the trees on the Parson’s Road road allowance. The Deputy Clerk responded that it had not been completed because staff had been focused on releasing pheasants and were experiencing time constraints with additional duties and some staff being on leave.

b.) Mayor Masse-Hunts

Mayor Masse commented that he had received some complaints about misunderstandings with the hunts, revolving around hunting in areas where there are second crops, and concern that the rules were not being applied evenly. Mayor Masse suggested canvassing the farmers to get their opinions on best practices in their fields. Mayor Masse stated that he would like administration to try to clarify these issues before the next hunt to ensure that rules are applied evenly. Councillor Wiper highlighted regulations from MNRF stating that there was no hunting in standing crops, which can be harvested at any time, or freshly planted crops. Councillor Wiper also commented that land that is share cropped, is the owner’s crop, not the farmers and that the landowner would have the final say for use of their land. Mayor Masse stated that he would like administration between now and summer to come up with a plan and clearly state to hunters and MNRF officers, what the general best practices are on the Island. The Deputy Clerk commented that administration could send a survey out to all farmers and agricultural landowners to assist in forming best practices, before the 2017 hunt packages are mailed out. Deputy Mayor DeLellis asked what has changed from the past and suggested these issues be referred back to the hunt committee.

c.) Deputy Mayor DeLellis-Transportation Bookings During Hunts

Deputy Mayor DeLellis commented that he would like farmers to be able to make reservations as usual during the hunts, he commented that with some of the cancelled trips it delayed getting crops off the Island. He suggested that an additional request may need to be put in to MTO.

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Councillor Malloch asked for an explanation on the requests for schedule changes for Pelee Unplugged. Mayor Masse stated that he had spoken to organizers, to clarify their request and then it was sent on to MTO. Councillor Malloch commented on the discussion at the last council meeting when this issue was brought forward and why it didn't follow the chain of commands, after the resolution was passed. Discussion continued on concern over not following council resolutions; council asked for copies of the correspondence sent to MTO regarding the trip requests. Deputy Mayor DeLellis asked about the parking situation at the Leamington dock during the Unplugged weekend, with Leamington having a large event during the same timeframe. Discussion continued on conversations with the Unplugged Committee on how to remedy the situation. Discussion continued on different possibilities to accommodate parking on the mainland for the Unplugged weekend.

11.) In Camera

12.) By-Laws

a) By-Law 2016-31;

The following Resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-175:

Moved by:

Dave DeLellis

Seconded by:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2016-31 being a By-Law to enter into a Renewal Agreement with the City of Windsor for Inter Municipal Court Services”.

Carried.

b) By-Law 2016-32;

The following Resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-176:

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Moved by:

Darlene Wiper

Seconded by:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2016-32 being a By-Law to enter into an Agreement with the City of Windsor for a POA Tax Roll Agreement”.

Carried.

c) **By-Law 2016-33**; being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings

The following Resolution was passed:

Resolution 2016-177:

Moved by:

Dave DeLellis

Seconded by:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2016-33 being a By-Law to confirm proceedings of this November 7, 2016 meeting of council”.

Carried.

Rick Masse
Mayor

Wayne Miller
Chief Administrative Officer