

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council of
The Corporation of the Township of Pelee
Held at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall
On January 26, 2017

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

Staff: Katrina DiGiovanni, CAO/Clerk
Michelle Feltz, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Kyle Davis, Environmental Services Manager

Delegations: Sherri Smith, not present

1.) Agenda

The agenda was presented for adoption and adopted with the following new additions under:

10e.) Councillor and Miscellaneous Reports: Friends of Pelee request to paint the top of the Bonnet Building with donations and collections.

Moved by: Aurella Moritz

Seconded by: Dayne Malloch

Carried.

2.) Minutes

a.) The minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council for December 7, 2016 were presented and adopted.

Moved by: Darlene Wiper

Seconded by: Dayne Malloch

Carried.

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3.) Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Wiper declared a conflict with payment 1640, being a payment to Troy Wiper. Councillor Wiper also declared a conflict with 6(b) CAO/Clerk-Report from Ministry of Transportation Meeting; Requested Resolution and 6(c) Deputy Mayor-Proposed Sailing Schedules, due to her employment. Mayor Rick Masse declared a conflict with payment 1674, being a payment to Rick Masse for travel.

4.) Petitions and Delegations

(a) Sherry Smith-Trolley Petition and Concerns

Council directed CAO/Clerk Katrina DiGiovanni to respond to delegate, Sherry Smith, summarizing Councils reason for supporting the commencement of the Trolley Service.

5.) Old Business

None.

6.) New Business

(a) CAO/Clerk-Update on MNRF Changes to the Pheasant Hunt

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017 – 001:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby resolves to support the changes presented from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry regarding the Small Game and Furbearer Management Framework and Regulation Proposals and further that Council supports the open season framework for annual Pheasant Hunts from September 25 to the last day in February. And further that hunt dates be regulated by Township By-Law.

Carried.

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(b) CAO/Clerk-Report from Ministry of Transportation Meeting

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-002:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby resolves to support dedicating space for one semi-truck per sailing on the Jiimaan, during the fall hunt sailing schedule, being the Wednesday before each of the main fall hunts, to assist in the moving of critical agricultural goods and utilize open deck space on the ferry”.

Carried.

(c) CAO/Clerk- Report Tracking and Council Information

The CAO/Clerk provided Council with information on how Council will be able to access information online regarding reports, agenda, resolutions and policies to begin to build a knowledge base for Council to reference.

(d) Deputy Mayor-Proposed 2017 Sailing Schedules

The Deputy Mayor commented on different versions of the schedule presented by MTO to better accommodate agricultural shipping during the pheasant hunts.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-003:

Moved By:

Dave DeLellis

Seconded By:

Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby resolves to choose version 2 of the proposed Transportation Ferry Schedule, as presented by the Transportation Committee; being the Pheasant Hunt portion of schedule only.

Carried.

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(e) Environmental Services Manager-2017 Ground and Stormwater Monitoring and Reporting

The Environmental Services Manager commented on the ongoing requirement for storm water management by Golder and Associated and the outlined the quote that was provided.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-004:

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 Environmental Services Managers report on Ground and Stormwater Monitoring and Reporting and further accepts the request to continue with annual ground and storm water manager as per the quote and agreement with Golder and Associates”.

Carried.

(f) Environmental Services Manager-Report on Septic Farm Recommendations

The Environmental Services Manager discussed the possibility of decommission the septage farm and possibilities for future use of this space. Mr. Davis outlined the process for decommissioning the septage farm and the work that would be involved. He suggested that work through the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change be completed to decommission the site and make a decision at a later date regarding the removal of the tanks. Discussion ensued and Council asked Mr. Davis to obtain a firm quote for the decommissioning process and contact Leamington Sanitation to determine if they would be able to use the site.

(g) CAO/Clerk & Mayor-Update on MNR Draft GRS and Public Information Process

Mayor Masse introduced the Draft GRS plan that has been in the works since February 2016 and commented on the progress that has been made with the provincial and federal government being willing to work with Pelee to come up with solutions for implementing plans.

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Deputy Mayor DeLellis stated concern over adopting a draft plan without community involvement prior to making a decision. He stated that he believed the community should have input before the 45 day EBR posting by MNRF. The CAO/Clerk commented that the province must adhere to specific regulations and timelines regarding drafting plans, posting and community input, and that MNRF had suggested coming to the Island to meet with the public regarding this draft plan and that they would still consider community input after the 45 day posting. Mayor Masse commented that passing this resolution did not mean that Council was adopting the plan, but that Council was in support of the plan moving forward if MNRF could inform stakeholders and involve the public before finalizing the plan. Lengthy discussion continued on the issue of process and future implications. The proposed resolution was read in open Council three times. Councillor Malloch stated that he could not be in support of the plan without prior community involvement. The CAO/Clerk commented that administration would continue to make efforts to inform the public of any upcoming environmental postings through tax inserts, Twitter, stakeholder notification and online.

The following resolution was not supported:

Resolution 2017-Failed:

Moved By: x

Seconded By: x

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby resolves to support the Draft GRS on the Small Mouth Salamander, Blue Racer Snake and Water Snake as presented by the Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry with the understanding that accomplishments of Island stewardship and preservation be recognized, that representatives from MNRF attend the community for a public meeting in the spring, that there be regular efforts through coordination with township administration and MNRF to notify the public prior to EBR postings and that the Environmental Advisory Committee continue to play an important role to be the mechanism to assist with development on the Island regarding environmental matters”.

Failed.

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(h) CAO/Clerk-AMO Request for Resolution Support for Federal Infrastructure Phase 2 Incrementality

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-006:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Darlene Wiper

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby agrees to support the Federal Infrastructure Phase 2 Incrementality Resolution through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario:

Whereas municipal governments’ infrastructure is critical to our collective economic health;

Whereas Ontario municipal governments have asset management plans which set out a municipality’s longer term capital plan which reflects the infrastructure priorities of these asset management plans; and

Whereas a federal incrementality rule interferes with municipal long-term infrastructure priorities and diminishes value of municipal asset management planning and management;

Now Therefore be it Resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee calls on the federal government to provide long term, predictable, and formula based funding in its Phase 2 programs for municipal governments; and

Be it Also Resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee calls on the federal government to change incremental requirement in Phase 2 to recognize in Ontario that a municipal government’s asset management plan meets a municipal incremental infrastructure requirement.

Carried.

7.) Correspondence

(a) Municipal Property Assessment Corporation-2017 Budget and Municipal Levy

Read, Noted, Filed.

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8.) Disbursements

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-007:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Darlene Wiper

“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 \$193,611.50”.

Carried.

9.) Boards and Committees

None.

10.) Councillor and Miscellaneous Reports

(a) Patricia Fell-Request to Continue Quarry Use

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-008:

Moved By:

Darlene Wiper

Seconded By:

Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby grants permission to the Windsor Feminist Theatre for the operation of a farmers market in the quarry on Saturdays from June 17 to September 1, 2017”.

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(b) Pelee Island Charter-Request for Lease Renewal

Discussion ensued on the rental fee and that the assurance be given that only the agreed upon portion of the building be used and no additional storage space. Councillor Moritz raised concern over a posting on Air B&B that a houseboat would be rented by Pelee Island Charters from the Marina. The CAO/Clerk commented that she would speak to the renter about removing this listing, as it would go against their marina contract.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-009:

Moved By:

Darlene Wiper

Seconded By:

Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby grants Pelee Island Charters permission to utilize the front portion of the Marina Bonnet Building for a boat rental business, under the same terms and conditions as 2016, and further that the CAO/Clerk execute an agreement for 2017”.

Carried.

(c) American Legion Auxiliary Pheasant Hunt Donation Request

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-010:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby denies the request to donate one 2017 fall pheasant hunt license to the American Legion Auxiliary”.

Carried.

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11.) In Camera

None.

12.) By-Laws

(a) By-Law 2017-01; Being a By-Law to adopt Fees and Charges

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-011:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2017-01 being a By-Law to adopt Fees and Charges for 2017”.

Carried.

(b) By-Law 2017-02; Being a By-Law to Set an Interim Tax Levy

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-012:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Aurella Moritz

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2017-02 being a By-Law to Set an Interim Tax Levy”.

Carried.

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(c) By-Law 2017-03; Being a By-Law for Annual Borrowing

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-013:

Moved By:

Darlene Wiper

Seconded By:

Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2017-03 being a By-Law for Annual Borrowing”.

Carried

(d) By-Law 2017-04; Being a By-Law to Enter into an Agreement with the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-014:

Moved By:

Dave DeLellis

Seconded By:

Darlene Wiper

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2017-04 Being a By-Law to Enter into an Agreement with the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund”.

Carried.

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(e) By-Law 2017-05; Being a By-Law to Amend OMERS Contribution Qualifications

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-015:

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 2017-05 Being a By-Law to Amend OMERS Contribution Qualifications”.

Carried.

(f) By-Law 2017-06; Being a By-Law to Enter into an Agreement for the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-016:

Moved By:

Dayne Malloch

Seconded By:

Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2017-06 Being a By-Law to authorize execution by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk for an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Pelee and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister Responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, for the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program in reference to the Renovation of the Pelee Island Heritage Centre where the municipality will contribute \$100,000 and the FEDDEV Ontario contribution will be \$100,000”.

Carried.

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(g) By-Law 2017-07; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings

The following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2017-017:

Moved By:

Dave DeLellis

Seconded By:

Darlene Wiper

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2017-07 Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings for January 26, 2017”.

Carried.

Rick Masse
Mayor

Katrina DiGiovanni
CAO/Clerk