TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, July 13, 2020, 8:00 pm
Electronic Meeting

1. Call to Order

2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
      (CHANGES or CORRECTIONS from Council)

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations
   a. Gordon Pow -
      i) Starlink: High Speed Internet for Pelee Island: Requesting
         the Council of the Township of Pelee register its strong support
         for SpaceX's licence application;
      ii) Small Modular Reactors - Potential Source of electricity,
          employment and sales revenues for Pelee Island;

5. Reports

6. Action Reports
   a. Deputy Mayor David Dawson:
      i) Report 2020 -14 DD: Southwestern Ontario Shoreline
         Roundtable;
      (QUESTIONS from Council to Deputy Mayor Dawson for clarification)
   b. Councillor Dave DeLellis:
      i) Report from the Drainage Committee; (Verbal)
      ii) Report from the Tourism, Economic Development Advisory
          and Hunt Committee; (Verbal)
          a) Marina – Potable Water
      (QUESTIONS from Council to Councillor DeLellis for clarification)
   c. Councillor Dayne Malloch:
      i) Update: West Shore Road Shoreline Protection and
         Improvements; (Verbal)
      (QUESTIONS from Council to Councillor Malloch for clarification)
   d. Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk:
      i) Update on Municipal Facilities (Verbal)
      (QUESTIONS from Council to CAO/Clerk for clarification)

7. Consent Reports
   a. Treasurer –
      (QUESTIONS from Council to Treasurer for clarification)

8. Recognitions
   From Mayor Durocher
   a. To recognize the work of the roads department in re-opening sections of
9. Communications and Petitions
   a. **Office of the Prime Minister – Right Honourable Justin Trudeau** –
      acknowledging receipt of correspondence requesting the Federal Government to
      consider amending the current definition of “Essential Travel” as it pertains to the
      Canada – USA border closure to include travel purposes related to the care and
      maintenance of property in Canada that is owned by American citizens.
      (QUESTIONS from Council)
   b. **Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing** –
      advising Council of the Introduction of the COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act,
      2020 and advising of on-going negotiations with the federal government to ensure
      municipalities get the financial support they require to protect front line services
      and restart the economy;
      (QUESTIONS from Council)
   c. **Christie Curley, A/Director, Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch, Ministry of
      Natural Resources and Forestry** - advising and requesting comments on
      proposed amendment to the Open Season regulation (Ontario Regulation 670/98)
      under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997 (FWCA) to create a fall
      turkey hunting season in Wildlife Management Units 72 (Northumberland
      County) and 95 (Pelee Island) beginning this fall (2020).
      (QUESTIONS from Council)
   d. **Jeffrey W. Lem, Director of Titles for the Province of Ontario** - Moving
      towards a more digital-focused service model for land registration services.
      (QUESTIONS from Council)
   e. **Corporation of the Town of Renfrew** – Requesting support for resolution
      asking the Governments of Ontario and Canada to fast track the review of current and
      previous Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program grant applications in order
      to provide much needed employment and investment into rural Ontario to provide
      sustainable infrastructure that will be safe and suitable in a post-pandemic setting;
      (QUESTIONS from Council)
   f. **Corporation of the Township of Puslinch** – Requesting support for resolution
      asking the Province of Ontario to work with the Municipal Property Assessment
      Corporation to address assessment issues to ensure that aggregate resource
      properties are assessed for their industrial value;
      (QUESTIONS from Council)
   g. **Corporation of the Town of Kingsville** – Requesting support for resolution
      requesting the Province of Ontario expand their Rent Assistance program
      (COVID-19) to include all businesses in a lease agreement within all “residential-
      above-commercial” properties without a cap on commercial/residential ratio;
      (QUESTIONS from Council)

10. Scheduled Motions

    **Action Motions**
   a. To receive the report from Deputy Mayor David Dawson on the Southwestern
      Ontario Shoreline Roundtable;
b. To receive the Report of Councillor Dave DeLellis from the Drainage Committee;
c. To receive the Report of Councillor Dave DeLellis from the Tourism, economic Development Advisory and Hunt Committee;
d. To receive the Report of Councillor Dayne Malloch on the West Shore Road Shoreline Protection Project.
e. To receive the report from the Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk on Municipal Facilities;

11. Consent Motions
   a. Township of Pelee consents to pass the following:
      i. Disbursements Report as at July 10, 2020 in the amount of $89,908.75.

12. Deferred Matters

13. Enquires

14. Emergent Matters

(COUNCILLORS may MAKE MOTIONS on any topic address throughout the course of the meeting.)

15. By-Laws
   a. By-Law 2020-21; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.

16. Adjournment
TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council
Monday June 22nd, 2020 6:30 pm
Electronic Meeting

Mayor: Ray Durocher
Deputy Mayor: Dave Dawson
Councillors: Dayne Malloch
            Dave DeLellis
            Sherri Smith Ouellette

Staff: Janice Hensel, CAO/Clerk
       Michelle Feltz, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
       Kristine Horst, Administrative Assistant

Other: Mike Cowan, BDO Canada
       Members of the Public

1. Call to Order
   Meeting called to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
      Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
      Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
      i. With requested amendment from Councillor DeLellis to resolution 2020-59:
         All plans and costs to be approved by council prior to undertaking the work.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
   None

4. Delegations
   a. Mike Cowan, BDO Canada – Presentation of 2019 Draft Financial Statements
      i. Explanation and breakdown of Draft Financial Statement presented to council.

Resolution 2020–62 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby
receive the Draft Financial Statements from BDO Canada as presented.”

5. Reports

6. Action Reports
   a. Deputy Mayor Dawson & Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk—(Verbal)
      i. Transportation Report

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1. Proposed revised Ferry schedule pre-covid-19 still under discussion with MTO, however response time is slower than expected;
2. MTO West Shore Road Report determined no structural problems or safety risks with the closed section of road, therefore CAO will be working with staff to open the roadway further;
3. Day-tripping remains restricted on the ferry at this time as Pelee Island is still in Stage One;
4. Pelee Islander 2 will replace Pelee Islander and begin sailing June 26th, with a limited capacity and additional restrictions in place

b. Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk – (Verbal)
   i. Recommendation to extend the COVID-19 municipal financial support program to July 31st, 2020 which:
      1. Extends existing parking passes; and
      2. Suspends penalties and interest on unpaid property taxes, water and transfer station fees until July 31st;


7. Consent Reports
   a. Treasurer –
         1. Presentation of 2020 Draft Capital Budget;

8. Recognitions
   a. Mayor Ray Durocher recognized the Westview Tavern and Filling Station for their efforts in reopening their businesses while following restrictions.

9. Communications and Petitions
   a. Windsor Essex County Health Unit - COVID-19 – Guidelines for Re-Opening of Recreational Water Facilities and Beaches in Windsor and Essex County
      i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from Windsor Essex County Health Unit.

   b. Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge – Requesting support of resolution regarding the establishment of a Municipal Financial Assistance Program to offset the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
      i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge.

   c. Corporation of the County of Grey – Requesting support for resolution requesting Premier Ford; Minister of Infrastructure, Minister Scott; Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Minister Ernie Hardeman and Associate Minister of Energy & MPP Walker to champion the implementation of broadband in the un-serviced and under-serviced areas of Ontario.
      i. Resolution 2020 – 63 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby receives the communication from the Corporation of the County of Grey and will send a letter of support regarding the implementation of broadband in the un-serviced and under-serviced areas of Ontario.”

d. Corporation of the Municipality of Grey Highlands – Requesting support of request that the Ontario Provincial government pursue a partnership with the Federal government to investigate the feasibility of implementing a universal basic income;
   i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

e. Corporation of the Town of Orangeville – Requesting support for resolution encouraging the Solicitor General implement common training requirements for all members of Police Services in Ontario as it relates to diversity, empathy and use of force.
   i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville.

   i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.
   ii. Noted by CAO that council can put forth a delegation with any ministry without registration.

g. Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Requesting support of the Province’s commission on long-term care and acknowledging the current and long-term issues being faced by Long Term Care sector.
   i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.

h. Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Requesting support of resolution encouraging the Province to review and act on recommendations relating to the psychosocial and emotional well-being of all long-term care and retirement home residents.
   i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.

i. Minister Clark, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Advising of intention to end temporary suspension of the Planning Act timelines as of June 22nd, 2020.
   i. Communication received by the Council of the Township of Pelee from the Minister Clark, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
10. Scheduled Motions

Action Motions

a. Resolution 2020 – 64 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councilor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

   “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby receives the report from Deputy Mayor Dawson and the CAO on Transportation Updates as presented.”

b. Resolution 2020 – 65 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councilor Dave DeLellis
   Seconded By: Councilor Sherri Smith Ouellette

   “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby receives the report from the CAO and accept the recommendation to extend the COVID-19 municipal financial support program to July 31st, 2020 which:
   a. Extends existing parking passes; and
   b. Suspends penalties and interest on unpaid property taxes, water and transfer station fees until July 31st”

c. Resolution 2020 – 66 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councilor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

   “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby receives the report from the CAO and adopt the Schedule of Regular Council meeting dates for the months of July – December, 2020, as recommended.”

Consent Motions

a. Resolution 2020 – 67 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councilor Dayne Malloch
   Seconded By: Councilor Sherri Smith Ouellette

   “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby consents to the following item:
   i. Disbursements as at June 19, 2020 in the amount of $130,366.92.”

b. Resolution 2020 – 68 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councilor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

   “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby consents to the following item:
11. **Deferred Matters**
None

12. **Enquires**
   a. **Councillor Dayne Malloch** – Requesting a letter be sent to the Federal Government to allow American citizens to access their properties on Pelee Island, as Windsor-Essex has stated property maintenance is essential.

   Resolution 2020 – 69 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
   Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

   “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby resolves a letter be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada expressing concern over the on-going closure of the Canada – United States of America border and its effects on American citizens that own property in Canada.

   WHEREAS the Township of Pelee formally requests the Prime Minister to consider amending “Essential Travel” as it pertains to the Canada – USA border closure to include travel purposes related to the care and maintenance of property in Canada that is owned by American citizens.

   AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Member of Parliament, the Member of Provincial Parliament and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.”

   b. **Mayor Ray Durocher** – Inquiry regarding a flag be placed on municipal property near the Township Office
      i. Council in favour, further details will be provided at a later council meeting included suggested location.

13. **Emergent Matters**
   a. **Councillor Dave DeLellis** – requesting further detail on West Shore Road and shoreline repair and improvements
      i. **Shoreline**
         1. CAO stated Landmark Engineering Inc. has been informed council is ready to move forward after final costing and is currently working on needed permits to begin work.
         2. CAO stated current By-Laws in place allows to soul-source in emergencies.
         3. Engineering report estimated to be completed a couple weeks following the June 8th council meeting.
      
      ii. **Roads**
         1. It has been determined the substructure of the West Shore Road does not hold any safety issues, therefore the road will be widened and the barricades will be removed later in the week.
14. By-Laws

a. Resolution 2020 – 70 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
   Seconded By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

   "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2020-17; Being a By-Law for establishing tax ratios."

b. Resolution 2020 – 71 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

   "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2020-18; Being a By-Law to set and levy tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payments thereof for 2020."

c. Resolution 2020 – 72 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

   "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2020-19; Being a By-Law to adopt the 2020 Budget Estimates."

d. Resolution 2020 – 73 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

   "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2020-20; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings."

15. Adjournment

Raymond Durocher,
Mayor

Janice Hensel,
CAO/Clerk
From: Gordon Pow  
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 4:59 PM  
To: info  
Cc: Janice Hensel; Ray Durocher; Dave DeLellis; Dave Dawson; Dayne Malloch; Sherri Smith  

Subject: Starlink: Hi-Speed Internet for Pelee Island  

To: Mayor and Council of the Township of Pelee  

Elon Musk has indicated that Canada is a priority for his Starlink high speed internet project:  https://mobilesyrup.com/2020/06/24/elon-musk-canada-priority-starlink-internet/ . He has reported that SpaceX applied for a Canadian telecom licence as a step towards providing satellite internet in rural America and eventually all of Canada. The SpaceX service has the potential to be a huge boon for members of our community - provided, of course, that the CRTC approves the company 92s Basic International Telecommunications Services (BITS) licence.  

I think that it is extremely important that the Township of Pelee register its strong support for SpaceX’s licence application. It would be a travesty if this service were not made available to Islanders.
From: Gordon Pow

Subject: Small Modular Reactors

sent me this article, which sums up my thinking on Small Modular Reactors very well:


I'm hoping that you are leveraging your contacts with politicians and others in the senior levels of government to see if there is an opportunity for Pelee Island here. We are the most accessible remote community in Ontario and would be an ideal site for a showpiece demonstration of this technology as a followup to the test plant that is being planned for Chalk River.

Gord
Report No: 2020-14 DD  
Date: July 13th, 2020  
Submitted By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson  
Subject: Southwestern Ontario Shoreline Roundtable

I filled in for Council Malloch, Wednesday June 24th, on the Southwestern Ontario Shoreline Webinar. This 2 hour webinar was eye opening, focusing mainly on Chatham-Kent, but also gave a peek at the forthcoming Leamington Shoreline Study

A couple key takeaways

- Coastal Hazards don’t go away, they just get worse over time
- Effective hazard management/planning requires strong partnerships between Municipalities, Conservation Authorities and land owners.
- All communities should have updated vulnerability and risk assessments
- Shoreline management and restoration priorities supported by a strong Shoreline Management Plan developed by a broad government/stakeholder collaboration

I would recommend that Council and staff take some time to review the Zuzek Study for a better understanding of what Pelee might be facing.

http://www.zuzekinc.ca/roundtable
Lessons Learned

- Coastal hazards don’t go away, they just get worse over time
- Climate change will increase the frequency and severity of storm damage
- Effective hazard management/planning requires strong partnerships between Municipalities, Conservation Authorities, and land owners
- Implementation of climate change adaptation strategies will require participation from all levels of government, private land owners, ENGOs, and stakeholders
- All communities should have updated vulnerability and risk assessments
- ‘Avoid’ should be the first risk reduction priority
- Shoreline management and restoration priorities supported by a strong Shoreline Management Plan developed by a broad government/stakeholder collaboration
- Need to focus on resilience and nature-based solutions. There are simply some places where development is not appropriate (and can’t be reasonable saved)
# Agenda

**Township of Pelee**

**List of Accounts for Approval**

As of 7/10/2020

Batch: 2020-00072 to 2020-00080

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Certified Correct This July 10, 2020

Mayor, Raymond Durocher  
Treasurer
Date: July 13, 2020

"Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby consents to the following item:

i. Disbursements as at July 10, 2020 in the amount of $89,908.75."

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MAYOR-Raymond Durocher       CAO/Clerk-Janice Hensel

The above is a certified to be true copy of resolution number 2020 –

Janice Hensel
CAO/Clerk
On behalf of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, I would like to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence.

Thank you for writing. You may be assured that your comments, offered on behalf of the Township of Pelee, have been carefully reviewed. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your email to the Honourable Patricia A. Hajdu, Minister of Health, and the Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, for information and consideration.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

C. Chaar
Executive Correspondence Officer
Agent de correspondance
de la haute direction
July 8, 2020

Dear Head of Council:

The COVID-19 outbreak has touched everyone in the province, creating personal and financial hardship, and resulting in losses far greater than anyone could have imagined. We are making steady progress in the safe reopening of the province, and we acknowledge and celebrate those who went above and beyond through this crisis.

I am writing to inform you that on July 8, 2020, our government introduced the COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020, to help get Ontario back on track. Our proposed bill will address three critical needs Ontario faces: restarting jobs and development; strengthening communities; and creating opportunity for people.

Our government recognizes the key role that municipalities play in restarting the economy, and that their efficient functioning and economic sustainability is critical to Ontario’s future success. We are also continuing to negotiate with our federal partners to ensure communities across Ontario receive the urgent financial support they need. We know that municipalities require fair and flexible investment to protect front line services and help restart the economy.

This bill includes proposals that will enable municipal councils and local boards to meet electronically on a permanent basis and allow municipal councils to decide if they wish to have proxy voting for their members. Our government also proposes to finalize the community benefits charges framework; enhance the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing’s existing zoning order authority to provide more certainty when fast tracking the development of transit oriented communities; make it faster to update and harmonize the Building Code so that we can break down interprovincial trade barriers, and permanently establish the office of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator to help solve complex land use issues. We are also working on optimizing provincial lands and other key provincial strategic development projects that will help facilitate economic recovery efforts.

My ministry will be hosting a technical information briefing on the proposed community benefits charges framework, including proposed changes to development charges and parkland dedication, so that municipal staff can gain a better understanding of the proposal. The technical briefing will take place in the near future and invitations from the Assistant Deputy Minister of Local Government and Planning Policy Division to municipal Chief Administrative Officers, Treasurers and Chief Planners will be forthcoming.
In addition to initiatives that I have outlined above from my ministry, there are several other proposals included in our proposed legislation that will support your communities. Changes proposed will modernize our outdated environmental assessment framework, provide more local say on future landfill sites, and ensure strong environmental oversight, while supporting faster build-out of vital transport and transit infrastructure projects to support our economy. Municipally-run courts will be able to use technology to deliver services remotely and we are also moving to fill justice of the peace vacancies faster and more transparently.

We will be extending the validity period of unused marriage licences and protecting the province’s most vulnerable consumers who rely on payday loans, by proposing limits on related interest rates and fees.

Also proposed is the reduction of regulatory burdens on farming while preserving the environmental rules that will support this vital part of our economy. Businesses will be able to count on clear, focused and effective rules that do not compromise people’s health, safety or the environment through our changes that continue to focus on cutting red tape. At the same time, our changes will allow health and safety standards to be updated more quickly to ensure worker safety in a changing economy.

As the province continues to reopen and the economy recovers, it’s more critical than ever to position Ontario as a top-tier destination for investment, domestic growth, and job creation. A key measure to support this objective is the creation of a new investment attraction agency, Invest Ontario, that will promote the province as a key investment destination and work closely with regional partners to coordinate business development activities.

Our proposed changes will also help our communities respond in part to the challenges that this outbreak has brought to our education system. Changes proposed would allow school boards to select the best candidates for director of education for their respective communities. We will also reduce red tape that is preventing access to school for some First Nation students and by limiting unproductive suspensions for our very youngest students. Students with severe learning disabilities will have an opportunity to complete their studies in the upcoming school year and by broadening the mandates of TVO and TFO, our broadcasters will be able to support students’ learning needs better during these challenging times.

Through this proposed legislation, we will take the first step towards a strong restart and recovery. More information on our proposals can be found on the Legislative Assembly of Ontario’s website.

Our greatest challenges lie ahead of us, and we know we cannot overcome them alone. It’s time for everyone to play a role in rebuilding Ontario together. We will ensure no community or region is left behind. Every community must recover if all of Ontario is to grow and prosper again.
Municipalities are encouraged to continue to review our Government's Emergency Information webpage at: Ontario.ca/alert. I thank you for your continued support and collaboration in these challenging times.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c: Chief Administrative Officers
   Municipal Clerks
   Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
   Brian Rosborough, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario
From: MNRF Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch (MNRF) [MNRF-FishandWildlifePolicyBranch@ontario.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 10:40 AM
Cc: Wildlife Policy (MNRF)
Subject: Memorandum: Proposal to open fall wild turkey hunting seasons in Wildlife Management Units 72 and 95 beginning in 2020

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

June 24, 2020

SUBJECT: Proposal to open fall wild turkey hunting seasons in Wildlife Management Units 72 and 95 beginning in 2020

Greetings,

I am writing to share information about a regulation proposal that was posted today on the Environmental Registry.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is proposing an amendment to the Open Season regulation (Ontario Regulation 670/98) under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997 (FWCA) to create a fall turkey hunting season in Wildlife Management Units 72 (Northumberland County) and 95 (Pelee Island) beginning this fall (2020).

Beginning with efforts in the mid-1980s, Ontario has created a very successful wild turkey management program that has resulted in a rapid expansion of the number and range of the birds. Based on criteria outlined in Ontario’s Wild Turkey Management Plan, turkey populations in WMUs 72 (Northumberland County) and 95 (Pelee Island) are robust and can support a fall turkey season. These open seasons would include bow hunting from October 1-31, and a shotgun and muzzle-loading shotgun season from the Tuesday after Thanksgiving Monday to the second following Sunday.

The proposed changes would help mitigate some of the COVID-19 impacts on local communities, such as the cancellation of the
Pelee Island 2020 municipal pheasant hunt, provide hunters with additional fall hunting opportunities, and support local businesses.

The proposal has been posted today on the Environmental Registry at https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-1985, for 45-day public review and comment.

If you have any questions related to these proposals, please contact wildlifepolicy@ontario.ca.<mailto:wildlifepolicy@ontario.ca>.

Sincerely,

Christie Curley
A/Director, Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch

Please Note: As part of providing accessible customer service<https://www.ontario.ca/page/accessible-customer-service-policy>, please let me know if you have any accommodation needs or require communication supports or alternate formats.
Email to all Clerks of Municipalities of Ontario

Date: July 6, 2020

To: All Municipalities of Ontario

From: Jeffrey W. Lem, Director of Titles for the Province of Ontario

Subject: Moving Towards a More digital-focused Service Model for Land Registration Services

I am pleased to share information about how ServiceOntario's land registration services will be delivered effective October 13, 2020, in keeping with our government’s approach to move towards digital online services for Ontarians. Effective October 13, 2020, the Ontario government will be discontinuing land registration counter services currently delivered at all 54 Land Registry Offices (LROs).

Land registration is a segment of government services where many of our customers have already adopted the digital channel as its preference. Our data shows that 99% of land registration documents are registered online, 87% of searches are conducted online and 98% of surveyors submit plans for pre-approval via email. Ontario’s land registration system was established in 1795 and has undergone several transformations in its 225 years of existence.

Moving toward a more digital-focused service model is part of the evolution of this sector, which is timely and will benefit all customers. For most services, it will no longer be necessary to visit a local LRO. In some cases, where customers need hard copies, ServiceOntario will have processes in place until longer term solutions are developed. Our goal is to ensure that we maintain a modern and efficient organization, focused on the needs and expectations of our staff and customers, while ensuring the integrity of the land registration system.

For many Municipalities this will be a seamless change, as Teraview is already being used to both file documents and search title. For those Municipalities that file documents in paper, both Teraview and OnLand will be improved to accept digital versions of paper documents.

Please feel free to contact me at director_of_titles@ontario.ca should you have any questions regarding this communication.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
Jeffrey W. Lem
Director of Titles for the Province of Ontario

Note: Please contact me if you need this communication in another format.

Peter Hinton
Manager (A), Electronic Land Registration
Regulatory Services Branch | Central Services Division | ServiceOntario
Ministry of Government and Consumer Services
Atrium on Bay 4th Flr, 20 Dundas St W, Toronto, ON M5G 2C2
CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RENFREW

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 06 - 44

Moved By: Reeve Emon
Seconded By: Councillor Jamieson

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic crisis has had a catastrophic affect on employment and small business survival rates, with over 11.3% jobless rate in Ontario in April 2020 alone with only a few signs of a change over the next several fiscal periods;

AND WHEREAS the Renfrew County region is already at a distinct economic disadvantage due to a shorter infrastructure construction season and the lack of essential services, like effective and available broadband across its vast and rural area that would allow for greater flexibility to work from home, or telecommute;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew and the other 19 municipalities and first nations reserves within the geographical borders have an incredible influence on the economy through investments in infrastructure spending, with over $70 million being invested in 2020 in municipal projects, but will now have to evaluate and adjust the way they safely operate and offer community services and modes of transportation;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew and the other 19 municipalities and first nations reserves have submitted over $73.5 million worth of applications to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Community, Culture and Recreation Stream, with all considered shovel ready and shovel worthy;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew and the other 19 municipalities and first nations reserves have submitted previously over $25 million in the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Green Stream and Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Rural & Northern Stream;

AND WHEREAS both large and small infrastructure projects have the immediate effect on local small and medium businesses in our region with consideration of the multiplier ratio on every $1 million invested having the ability to create 7.6 jobs in the local marketplace, meaning that approval of these projects would create over 1,200 jobs across Renfrew County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Renfrew calls upon the Governments of Ontario and Canada to fast track the review of current and previous Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program grant applications in order to provide much needed employment and investment into rural Ontario to provide sustainable infrastructure that will be safe and suitable in a post-pandemic setting;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada; the Honourable Premier of Ontario; MP Cheryl Gallant, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; the Minister of Infrastructure; the Association of Municipalities Ontario; Rural Ontario Municipalities Association and all Municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

CARRIED

I, Jennifer Charkavi, Deputy Clerk of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew, do hereby certify this to be a true and complete copy of Resolution No. 2020 - 06 - 44, passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew at its meeting held the 23rd day of June 2020.

DATED at Renfrew, Ontario this 24th day of June 2020.

Jennifer Charkavi

Jennifer Charkavi

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on June 17, 2020 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2020-166:** Moved by Councillor Bulmer and Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Intergovernmental Affairs correspondence item 4 listed for JUNE 17, 2020 Council meeting be received; and

WHEREAS previous assessment methodologies for aggregate resource properties valued areas that were used for aggregate resources or gravel pits at industrial land rates on a per acre basis of the total site and such properties were formally classified and taxed as industrial lands;

WHEREAS the Council of Puslinch supports a fair and equitable assessment system for all aggregate resource properties;

WHEREAS the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation determined, with the participation only of the Ontario Sand, Stone and Gravel Association, revised criteria for assessing aggregate resource properties;

AND WHEREAS the Council of Puslinch has concerns that the revised criteria does not fairly assess the current value of the aggregate resource properties;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That the Council of Puslinch does not consider the revised criteria for assessment of aggregate resource properties as a fair method of valuation for these properties; and

(b) The Council of Puslinch believes there is a need to review the current
assessment scheme for aggregate resource properties to address the inequity of property values;

(c) The Council of Puslinch hereby calls upon the Province to work with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to address the assessment issue so that aggregate resource properties are assessed for their industrial value; and

(d) The Council of Puslinch directs the Clerk to provide a copy of this motion to the Minister of Finance, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, AMO, ROMA, and all Ontario municipalities and {the local MPP(s)}

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,
Courtenay Hoytfox
Deputy Clerk
June 29, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford (premier@ontario.ca)
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen’s Park
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

-and to-

The Honourable Rod Phillips (rod.phillips@pc.ola.org)
Minister of Finance
Frost Building South; 7th Floor
7 Queen’s Park Crescent
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1Y7

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Phillips:

RE: Kingsville Council request that the Rent Assistance Program to include all businesses in a lease agreement within all “residential-above-commercial” properties without a cap on commercial/residential ratio

At its Regular Meeting of June 22, 2020, Kingsville Council resolved the following:

391-2020
Moved By Councillor Kimberly DeYong
Seconded By Councillor Larry Patterson

Whereas the COVID-19 Pandemic has greatly impacted the business community in the Town of Kingsville;

And Whereas the Province of Ontario has provided financial assistance including a multi-level Rent Assistance program to the business community impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic;

And Whereas the Rent Assistance program offered by the Province of Ontario established an arbitrary cap on multi-use properties where it is common for “residential-above-commercial” developments, especially in downtown and Main Street corridors;
And Whereas Kingsville, particularly in our downtown business centres, has several properties with residential-above-commercial where the ratio of commercial storefront businesses represents less than 30 per cent of the entire building, thus leaving a gap where local business owners cannot qualify for rent relief with their willing landlords;

And Whereas the Town of Kingsville's newly adopted Business Retention and Expansion Project Report identified that Kingsville businesses would benefit from the Province expanding the Rent Assistance program to include all commercial lease properties regardless of overall footprint.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Town of Kingsville requests that the Province of Ontario expand their Rent Assistance program to include all businesses in a lease agreement within all "residential-above-commercial" properties without a cap on commercial/residential ratio;

And Finally, That this Resolution be circulated to the Premier, Doug Ford, the Minister of Finance, Rod Phillips, our local MPP Taras Natyshak, and all Ontario municipalities requesting their support.

CARRIED

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Astrologo, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk
Corporate Services Department
jastrologo@kingsville.ca

/sjk
CC: Taras Natyshak, MPP (tnatyshakqp@ndp.on.ca)
CC: All Ontario Municipalities
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PELEE


"CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS"

(July 13th, 2020)

A by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council

WHEREAS the Municipal Act 2001, as amended, states that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Pelee wishes to confirm the proceedings and business conducted by Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Pelee does hereby enact as follows:

1. That the action of the Council at its Council meeting held on the 13th day of July, 2020 in respect to each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by Council is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; save and except resolutions resulting from closed meetings.

2. That the Mayor and the proper Officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents as may be necessary and the Clerk is authorized and directed to affix the Corporate Seal to all such documents.

3. That this by-law shall be cited as the "Confirmation of Proceedings By-law" (July 13th, 2020)

4. That this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of passing thereof.


MAYOR, Raymond Durocher

CAO/Clerk, Janice Hensel