

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**
 - a. **Regular Meeting of Council, June 8th, 2020.**
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

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;
- c. Report No. 2020 – 12 JH - To Schedule regular Council meeting dates from July 1, 2020 to December 31st, 2020.

7. Consent Reports

a. Treasurer –

- i. Report 2020 – 13 MF, 2020 Operations Budget and Proposed Capital Budget
 1. Presentation of 2020 Draft Capital Budget;
- ii. Disbursements Report as at June 19, 2020.

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.
- f. **Association of Municipalities of Ontario** – Virtual 2020 Conference, August 17th – 20th, 2020 and Requests for Delegations.
 - 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: Councillor 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: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor 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: Councillor 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: Councillor Dayne Malloch
Seconded By: Councillor 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: Councillor 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:

- i. Report 2020 – 13 MF, 2020 Operations Budget and Proposed Capital Budget”

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 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