

TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council
Monday July 13th, 2020 8:00 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: Eric Chamberlain, Drainage Superintendent
Gordon Pow, Registered Delegate
Members of the Public

1. **Call to Order**
Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m.
2. **Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - a. Regular Meeting of Council, June 22nd, 2020.
Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
 - a. **Councillor Dave DeLellis –**
 - i. Able to supply concrete for cement pad at Scudder Marina if a potable water tank is installed.
4. **Delegations**
 - a. **Gordon Pow -**
 1. **Small Modular Reactors -** Potential Source of electricity, and employment for Pelee Island;
 - a. Recommendations from Gordon Pow: to inform residence of Pelee Island about SMR technology, and to lobby provincial government to choose Pelee Island for a test location for this technology.
 - b. Council in favour of support and instructed administration to look into details on this potential source of electricity.
 2. **Starlink: High Speed Internet for Pelee Island:** Requesting the Council of the Township of Pelee register its strong support for SpaceX's licence application;
 - a. Recommendations from Gordon Pow: the Township of Pelee should take a proactive approach in communicating with SpaceX as well as residences on this potential opportunity.

- b. Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson made a motion to put forth a resolution in support of Starlink.

Resolution 2020 – 75 was CARRIED

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

“WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Pelee does not currently have access to affordable broadband internet services.

AND WHEREAS StarLink is a satellite constellation being constructed by SpaceX to provide satellite internet access. The constellation will consist of thousands of small, mass-produced satellites in low Earth orbit. Product development began in 2015, with the first two prototype satellites launched in February 2018. As of June, 2020, SpaceX has launched 540 satellites of the 1,584 initially planned for global coverage. Future plans call for up to 42,000 satellites.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Township of Pelee is in support for SpaceX's licence application and hereby:

Requests the provincial and federal governments to expedite the regulatory process to ensure that SpaceX is able to offer its StarLink services to Canadians; and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our MPs and MPPs describing the lack of affordable broadband internet in our community.”

5. Reports

6. Action Reports

a. Deputy Mayor David Dawson:

i. Report 2020 -14 DD: Southwestern Ontario Shoreline Roundtable;

1. Recommends council and staff review the Zuzek study for a better understanding of what Pelee Island might be facing.

b. Councillor Dave DeLellis:

i. Report from the Drainage Committee;

1. Henderson Drainage project is wrapping up until fall.
2. Stoltz Drain, Drain No. 4, and Hamel Drain Extension improvements are in the engineering report stage.
3. Rivard Excavating is scheduled to start on Drain No. 2 and West Branch Drain No. 1 in mid-August.
4. Spraying for phragmites will occur end of August.
5. Next Drainage Committee meeting scheduled for September 9th,

2020.

ii. Report from the Tourism, Economic Development Advisory and Hunt Committee;

1. Hydro One inspection has occurred for the West Shore Washrooms and the washroom will be hooked up to power and opened as soon as possible.

a. Marina – Potable Water

i. There is an opportunity to purchase a 27,000 litre stainless steel tank from Pelee Island Winery in order to provide the marina with potable water. This tank would cost \$10,000 and would require added installation expenses such as a cement pad, UV and connection costs.

ii. As this was not included in the final 2020 budget – but was brought forward at this time due to significant savings – council has requested administration look into cost savings within the budget, and further information on operational costs for the potable water system to be brought to the next scheduled council meeting on July 27.

c. Councillor Dayne Malloch:

i. Update: West Shore Road Shoreline Protection and Improvements;

1. Emergency repairs have started along West Shore Road in front of the Stonehouse and will extend down to the water plant, repairs may take up to a couple of weeks to finish.

d. Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk:

i. Update on Municipal Facilities

1. East Park Campground will be opening July 15th with some changes including the implementation of an online reservation system.

2. COVID-19 restrictions are still in place and have led to the following changes at the campground:

a. There is no group camping at this time which is defined as 6 or more non-related persons on the same site;

b. There is no equipment loans at this time;

c. No visitors or guests on campsites;

d. Washrooms are open and cleaned during store hours only, however showers are closed until further notice;

e. New hours at the campground are Thursday to Monday 11am to 5pm, and Tuesday to Wednesday 11am to 2pm.

7. Consent Reports

a. Treasurer –

i. Disbursements Report as at July 10th, 2020.

8. Recognitions

- a. Mayor Ray Durocher recognized the work of the roads department in re-opening sections of West Shore Road.

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.
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Office of the Prime Minister.

- 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;
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
 - ii. CAO to forward Pelee specific details to council for review.

- 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 (Peele Island) beginning this fall (2020).
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Christie Curley, A/Director, Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.
 - ii. Councillor Dave DeLellis brought forward the motion to write a letter to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry strongly stating the council of the Township of Pelee is not in favour of a fall turkey hunt on Pelee.

Resolution 2020 – 76 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby request a letter be sent to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry advising the council is not in favour of a fall turkey hunt on Pelee Island as it will directly conflict with its Annual Pheasant Hunt”

- d. **Jeffrey W. Lem, Director of Titles for the Province of Ontario** - Moving towards a more digital-focused service model for land registration services.
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Jeffrey W. Lem, Director of Titles for the Province of Ontario.

- 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;
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew.
 - ii. Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson put forward a motion to write a letter of support.

Resolution 2020 – 77 was CARRIED
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby support the resolution of the Town of Renfrew 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.”

- 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;
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch.
- 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;
 - i. Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Kingsville.

10. Scheduled Motions

Action Motions

- a. Resolution 2020 – 78 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receives report 2020 – 14 from Deputy Mayor David Dawson on the Southwestern Ontario Shoreline Roundtable.”

- b. Resolution 2020 – 79 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 receives the Report of Councillor Dave DeLellis from the Drainage Committee.”

c. Resolution 2020 – 80 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receives the Report of Councillor Dave DeLellis from the Tourism, economic Development Advisory and Hunt Committee.”

d. Resolution 2020 – 81 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 receives the Report of Councillor Dayne Malloch on the West Shore Road Shoreline Protection Project.”

e. Resolution 2020 – 82 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 receives the report from the Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk on Municipal Facilities.”

Consent Motions

a. Resolution 2020 – 83 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

“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.”

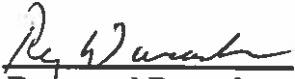
11. **Deferred Matters**
None
12. **Enquires**
None
13. **Emergent Matters**
None

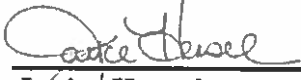
14. By-Laws

- a. Resolution 2020 – 84 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2020-21; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.”

15. Adjournment


Raymond Durocher,
Mayor


Janice Hensel,
CAO/Clerk

