

**Regular Meeting of Council Minutes**  
**Monday November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 8:00 pm**  
**Electronic Meeting**

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

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

Other: Members of the Public

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**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 8:03 p.m.

- a. Regular Meeting of Council Agenda, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

**2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- a. Regular Meeting of Council, **October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None

**4. Delegations**

None

**5. Reports**

- a. Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk – Janice Hensel:

i) Report No. 2020 – 30 DD, JH: Steering Committee Update on Tourism Destination Plan.

i. Kick-off meeting was held on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to review the project plan

ii. A report was provided including the project work plan, projected timelines and to discuss

- ii) Report No. 2020 – 31 JH: To establish Regular Council Meeting Dates for the months of January – April 2021.
  - i. Council agreed to the Regular Council Meeting Dates as proposed with the following amendment: April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting instead of the noted April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- iii) Report No. 2020 – 32 JH: Municipal Modernization Fund – Intake 1: Service Delivery Review.
  - i. CAO recommends staff proceed with the Service Delivery Review and approve the proposal submitted by StrategyCrop Inc.
- iv) Report No. 2020 – 33 JH: Great Lakes Local Action Fund.
  - i. The Township has submitted an application in partnership with the Nature Conservancy of Canada to restore roadside sections of lakeshore where improvements to shoreline protection works, undertaken in 2020, resulted in the removal of vegetation. The project will naturalize the shoreline, provide resilience to climate change and erosion control, safeguard wildlife and the habitat and provide a necessary natural vegetative barrier to reduce the use of excessive road salt during winter months when high water, winds and waves create ice accretion on roadways. Approximately 2755 feet of roadside shoreline will be restored along West Shore Road and McCormick Road.
  - ii. Requesting Council hereby support the application submitted by Nature Conservancy of Canada to the Great Lakes Local Action Fund to construct an elevated boardwalk, install bird blinds, education signage and revegetate the area around a 25-hectare wetland that is being created at the NCC Florian Diamante Nature Reserve located on Pelee Island in Lake Erie.
- v) Update – Shoreline Protection
  - i. CAO stated that recent high winds and water have further deteriorated approximately 300 feet of the shoreline protection on McCormick Road.
  - ii. This area was previously identified in the engineers report, but was not part of the scope of the 2020 West Shore shoreline project.
  - iii. There are concerns with the stability of McCormick Road over the winter as erosion is already occurring.
  - iv. Approximately \$70,000 has been redirected from the Roads Department Budget to McCormick Road shoreline repairs to be completed November 15-20, 2020.

## **6. Consent Reports**

- a. Treasurer and Deputy Clerk – Michelle Feltz:
  - i) Report No. 2020 – 34 MF: Forecasting Report for Safe Restart Program.

- i. The Treasurer presented revenue and expense forecasting to December 31, 2020 as per the requirements of the Safe Restart Agreement – Municipal Operating Funding and to provide additional year end forecasting to Council.
- ii) Report No. 2020 – 35 MF: Budget to Actual Report as at October 31, 2020.
- iii) Disbursements Report as at November 4, 2020 in the amount of \$52,575.14.

**7. Recognitions**

- a. Mayor Ray Durocher recognized:
  - i) Tom and Mary Schweiger for organizing a beach clean-up.
  - ii) Bernie Vandonk for organizing the cleaning of the Legion.
  - iii) Mack Feltz for his dedication and kindness in taking Herby fishing.

**8. Communications and Petitions**

- a. **Ministry of Finance** – 2021 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Allocation.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee by the Ministry of Finance.
- b. **Rural Ontario Municipal Association** – 2021 Virtual Conference: Connecting Rural Ontario |January 25 - 26, 2021 and Virtual Delegations with Provincial Ministries.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Rural Ontario Municipal Association.
  - ii) Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette and Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson have asked administration to register them for this event.
  - iii) Deputy Mayor has requested, if possible, the CAO also be in attendance for delegations with Ministries.
- c. **Corporation of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming** – Expressing support for resolution from Loyalist Township requesting senior government funding for charities, community groups and service clubs affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming.
- d. **Corporation of the Township of Lincoln** – Expressing support for resolution from the Municipality of Tweed regarding Cannabis Production facilities, the Cannabis Act and Health Canada Guidelines.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Lincoln.
- e. **Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles** – Expressing support for resolution from the County of Grey requesting the premier and the Ontario Government champion the implementation of broadband in underserved areas of the province.

- i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles.
  
- f. **Corporation of the County of Prince Edward** – Recommending the Government of Ontario support the freedom of municipalities to run democratic elections with the existing framework of the *Ontario Elections Act*.
  - i) Communication received from the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward.
  
- g. **Corporation of the City of Belleville** – Requesting the Government of Ontario consider providing funding support and training resources to municipalities to meet the requirements of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act respecting conforming to WCAG 2.0 Level AA by January 1, 2021.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of Belleville.
  - ii) Noted by CAO that the Township of Pelee website is already compliant to the WCAG 2.0 Level AA and recognizes the administrative staff for accomplishing this in a timely matter.
  
- h. **Corporation of the City of Oakville** – Requesting the Premier adopt a targeted COVID-19 restriction on specific sectors that are seeing increased infection rates as an alternative to ordering the full closure of an entire municipality or region as has most recently been the case in York Region and its eight municipalities and asking municipalities to petition the Province to by endorsing a letter to Premier Ford and Health Minister Christine Elliott.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of Oakville.
  
- i. **Northumberland County** – Expressing support for resolution of Town of Wasaga Beach and concerns about an unauthorized car rally recently held.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Northumberland County.
  
- j. **Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss** – Expressing support for resolution by the Town of Amherstburg requesting an amendment to Schedule 11, *More Homes, More Choice Act*, to return the authority for final decisions for certain appeals by the Conservation Review Board be returned to municipal councils where the features of cultural heritage value exist.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss.
  
- k. **Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss** – Expressing support for resolution by the Township of Wollaston requesting the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to review the *Municipal Elections Act* and provide for amendments to a) ensure valid eligibility of resident electors; b) to provide Clerks with clear direction when adding names to the voter’s list; and c) to ensure rules in the *Municipal Elections Act* are enforceable.

- i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss.

**9. Scheduled Motions**

**Action Motions**

- a. Resolution 2020 – 144 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 No. 2020 – 30 DD, JH: Steering Committee Update on Tourism Destination Plan.”

- b. Resolution 2020 – 145 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 approve the Annual schedule of Regular Council Meeting Dates for January – April, 2021 as follows:

January 11, 2021  
February 8, 2021 and February 22, 2021  
March 22, 2021  
April 6, 2021 and April 19, 2021

Regular Meetings from January - April shall be held at 5:30 PM with closed meetings at 4:30 PM.

All regular meetings will continue to be held electronically under section 8A of the Township Procedural By-law 2019-12, as amended until such time as COVID-19 restrictions are removed.”

- c. Resolution 2020 – 146 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 receive Report No. 2020 – 32 JH and direct staff to proceed with the Service Delivery Review.

**AND FURTHER** that the proposal, as submitted by **StrategyCorp Inc.** in the amount of \$90,400.00 including HST to conduct the review be accepted.

The proposal is hereto attached.”

- d. Resolution 2020 – 147 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby Support the submission of an application by the Township of Pelee to the Lake Erie Local Action Fund in partnership with the Nature Conservancy of Canada to restore roadside sections of lake shore where improvements to shoreline protection works, undertaken in 2020 resulted in the removal of vegetation. The project will naturalize the shoreline, provide resilience to climate change and erosion control, safeguard wildlife and habitat and provide a necessary natural vegetative barrier to reduce the use of excessive road salt during winter months when high water, winds and waves create ice accretion on roadways.”

- e. Resolution 2020 – 148 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby support the application submitted by Nature Conservancy of Canada to the Lake Erie Local Action Fund to construct an elevated boardwalk, install bird blinds, education signage and revegetate the area around a 25-hectare wetland that is being created at the NCC Florian Diamante Nature Reserve located on Pelee Island in Lake Erie.”

**Consent Motions**

- a. Resolution 2020 – 149 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette  
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

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

- i) Receive Report No. 2020 – 34 MF: Forecasting Report for Safe Restart Program.
- ii) Receive Report No. 2020 - 35 MF: Budget to Actual Report as at October 31, 2020.”

- b. Resolution 2020 – 150 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis  
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 November 4, 2020 in the amount of \$52,575.14.”

**10. Deferred Matters**

None

**11. Enquires**

None

**12. Emergent Matters**

- a. Resolution 2020 – 151 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 proceed with emergency additional shoreline repairs, as identified in the landmark engineering report, to repair, improve and/or replace deteriorated shoreline protection along McCormick Road in the amount of \$70,000.00.”


**13. By-Laws**


- a. Resolution 2020 – 152 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 adopts By-Law 2020 – 35; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.”

**14. Adjournment**

Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

  
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**Raymond Durocher,**  
**Mayor**

  
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**Janice Hensel,**  
**CAO/Clerk**