TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
Monday February 22, 2021 5:30 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: Eric Chamberlain, Drainage Superintendent
Members of the Public

1. Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

   a. Regular Meeting of Council Agenda, February 22, 2021
      Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
      Seconded By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
      Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
None

4. Delegations
None

5. Reports
   a. Drainage Superintendent – Eric Chamberlain:
      i) Report 2021 – 04: Big Marsh Drain No. 4 – New Maintenance Schedule
         and Final Report.
         1. Public meeting regarding Drain No. 4 to be held March 22 during
            the Regular Meeting of Council.

6. Consent Reports
   a. Treasurer – Michelle Feltz:
i) Disbursements Report as at February 18, 2021 in the amount of $29,877.94.

7. **Recognitions**
   a. Mayor Ray Durocher recognized the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON) for providing meals to seniors in our community.

8. **Communications and Petitions**
   a. **Association of Municipal Clerks Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)** – Recognizing the challenges municipalities have faced with COVID-19 and encouraging councils to continue to invest in staff training.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario.
   
   b. **Corporation of the Township of Perth South** - Asking the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for clarity on the mandate of the new working group established to better focus Conservation Authorities.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Perth South.
   
   c. **Ian Sinclair, Sinclair Honeybees** – Expressing concern over suggestion during the Ontario Nature-Pelee Island Research recent webinar that beekeeping be restricted on the island.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Ian Sinclair, Sinclair Honeybees.
      ii) Council expressed their support for small businesses like Sinclair Honeybees, and Mayor Durocher and Deputy Mayor Dawson shared an update regarding the initial concern stating that Mr. Sinclair is currently working with the researchers to develop a positive relationship.
   
   d. **Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs** – Announcing changes to regulations under the Health Protection and Promotion Act to permit independent businesses to sell home-prepared foods from their homes, or at special events like farmers’ markets, festivals and fairs.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.
   
   e. **Corporation of the City of St. Catherines** – Resolution and supporting documentation requesting amendments to Bill 197 as it pertains to landfill sites.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of St. Catherines.
      ii) Motion made by Councillor Dave DeLellis in support of the City of St. Catherines.

Resolution 2021 – 19 was CARRIED
Moved By:  Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
“Be it Resolved that on February 22, the Corporation of the Township of Pelee Council met for their Regular Council Meeting at which they considered a letter and resolution from the City of St. Catherine’s regarding the Ontario Bill 197 (attached hereto).

As a result, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee resolved the following:

That the Corporation of the Township of Pelee Council support the resolution from the City of St. Catharine’s, requesting an amendment to Schedule 6 of Bill 197 (Environmental Assessment Act), eliminating the adjacent municipality overreach powers and

That Administration be directed to send correspondence in support of the City of St. Catharines request to amend Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020 to all parties referenced in the City of St. Catharines resolution.”

f. Corporation of the City of St. Catharines – Endorsing legislated sick leave and asking the government of Ontario to permanently legislate universal paid sick days for all workers in Ontario during the pandemic and beyond, regardless of workplace size, type of work or immigration status.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of St. Catharines.

g. Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ontario – To request a one-year extension of all upcoming deadlines in O. Reg. 588/17: Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure under the Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ontario.

h. Conmee Township – Requesting the Provincial Government to amend The Municipal Act and Municipal Elections Act, to prevent people with a criminal record who have not had their record cleared from the RCMP Data Base by order of the Governor General of Canada, from becoming a candidate in municipal elections.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Conmee Township.
   ii) Motion made by Councillor Dave DeLellis to send a letter of support.

Resolution 2021 – 20 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 support Conmee Township, requesting the Provincial Government to amend The Municipal Act and Municipal Elections Act, to prevent people with a
criminal record who have not had their record cleared from the RCMP Data Base by order of the Governor General of Canada, from becoming a candidate in municipal elections.”

9. **Scheduled Motions**

**Action Motions**

a. Resolution 2021 – 21 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 Report No 2021 – 04 EC from the Drainage Superintendent dated February 18, 2021 regarding the New Maintenance Schedule for the Big Marsh Drain No. 4 and direct administration to schedule the Meeting to Consider the Big Marsh Drain No. 4 at the March 22, 2021 Pelee Council Meeting.”

**Consent Motions**

b. Resolution 2021 – 22 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
   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 February 18, 2021 in the amount of $29,877.94.”

10. **Deferred Matters**
    None

11. **Enquires**
    None

12. **Emergent Matters**
    None

13. **By-Laws**

a. Resolution 2021 – 23 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 adopts By-Law 2021 - 05; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.”

14. **Adjournment**
    Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 5:46 p.m.