TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, April 26, 2021, 5:30 pm
Electronic Meeting

1. 5:30 PM - Regular Meeting - Call to Order

2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
   a. Regular Meeting of Council, April 12, 2021
   b. Court of Revision – Drainage Act, April 19, 2021

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations
   a. Strategy Corp Inc.
      i) Presentation of Draft Final Report – Township Of Pelee - Service Delivery Review

5. Reports
   a. Councillor David DeLellis:
      i) Pheasant Farm Updates – (Verbal Report)
   b. Treasurer and Tax Collector – Michelle Feltz:
      i) Proposed 2021 Capital Budget with Funding Sources (Verbal Status Update)

6. Consent Reports
   a. Treasurer – Michelle Feltz:
      i) Disbursements Report as at April 23, 2021 in the amount of $43,651.75.

7. Recognitions
   From Mayor Durocher:
   a. To recognize efforts of Township staff and our community partners in a successful COVID-19 vaccination clinic.

8. Communications and Petitions
   a. Corporation of the City of Cambridge – Requesting the Province of Ontario amend the Employment Standards Act to provide for minimum sick leave entitlements.
   b. Point Pelee National Park – Notice of Middle Island Conservation Management Activities
   c. County of Norfolk – Advising of support of resolution from the Municipality of Calvin regarding the application of carbon taxes on primary agriculture producers.
   d. Corporation of the Township of Springwater – Concerning the new Clean Fuels Standard and its impact on the Canadian farmer.
   e. Rob Tymstra – Request Council to consider Proposal for Island market location.

9. Scheduled Motions

   Action Motions:

   Consent Motions:
   a. Township of Pelee consents to pass the following:
      i) Disbursements Report as at April 23, 2021 in the amount of $43,651.75.

10. Deferred Matters

11. Enquires
12. Emergent Matters

13. By-Laws

14. Adjournment
TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
Monday April 12, 2021 5:30 pm
Electronic Meeting

1. 4:30 PM - Closed Meeting – Not open to the Public
   (i)  Education and Training per Section 239(3.1) the Municipal Act, 2001 c.25.
   (ii) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or
        local board employees, Section 239(2)(b), Municipal Act.

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

2. Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 5:34 p.m.
   a.  Regular Meeting of Council Agenda, April 12, 2021
      Moved By:  Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
      Seconded By:  Councillor Dayne Malloch

3. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
      Moved By:  Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
      Seconded By:  Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
None

5. Delegations
None

6. Reports
   a.  Mayor Ray Durocher:
      i)  Pelee Island Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic Update
1. Eligible individuals are currently being contacted by township staff for booking of appointments on April 19th and 20th, 2021.
2. Bookings are going smoothly and on schedule.

b. Councillor David DeLellis:
   i) 2021 Pheasant Hunt Update
      1. Registration for the 2021 Pelee Island Pheasant Hunts closed on April 1st, 2021.
      2. The current numbers are approximately 726 main hunt licences sold, as well as 188 clean up licences.
   ii) Pelee Island Tourism Map for Pelee Islander II.
      1. The intention of this map is to have it displayed on the ferries as well as in the terminals for tourists to view and will include business names and locations.

c. Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk:
   i) Parking Pass Extension to May 31, 2021

7. **Consent Reports**
   a. Treasurer – Michelle Feltz:
      i) Report No: 2021 – 09 MF: Financial Summary and Budget to Actual Report:
      iii) Disbursements Report as at April 8, 2021 in the amount of $ 99,143.15.

8. **Recognitions**
   From Mayor Durocher:
   i) To recognize all our community partners for working together to bring a Covid-19 vaccination clinic to the island.
   ii) To congratulate the Pelee Island community for its teamwork and proactive approach to managing the Covid 19 pandemic over the past year.
   iii) To Karen and Roger Foster for their nine years of dedication and hard work with the Friends of Pelee Beautification Group.
   iv) Thank you to Kathy Long and Kristine Horst for their flexibility and hard work assisting hunters with professionalism through this year’s Pheasant Hunt changes.

9. **Communications and Petitions**
   a. Tourism Windsor Essex Pelee Island – Congratulating the East Park Campground for being a top five finalist in its Best of Windsor Essex award for Best Campground or Cottage.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Tourism Windsor Essex Pelee Island.

   b. Corporation of the City of Kitchener – Urging the Province of Ontario to review and reconsider the current timelines established under the Planning Act respecting appeals.
      i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of Kitchener.
c. **Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake** – Requesting amendments to the Municipal Elections Act.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake.

d. **Melissa Wiper, Pelee Island Adventures** – Advising of intent to operate a golf cart rental business that will respect the environment and safeguard the values of the community.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Melissa Wiper, Pelee Island Adventures.
   ii) Council directed Administration to send a letter of appreciation to Melissa Wiper regarding the intent to operate a golf cart rental business on Pelee Island.

e. **Derek Richmond, Canadian Union of Postal Workers** - Requesting support for its Delivering Community Power Initiatives.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Derek Richmond, Canadian Union of Postal Workers.

f. **Corporation of the City of Owen Sound** – Supporting the Municipality of West Grey resolution respecting issues related to municipal insurance rates.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of Owen Sound.

g. **Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie** – Expressing support for resolution by the City of Sarnia asking the province to adjust the capacity limits for small business as part of the Covid-19 Colour coded system.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie.

h. **Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie** – Expressing support for resolution by the Township of Brock respecting cannabis licencing and Enforcement.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie.

i. **Corporation of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal** – Addressing the issue of the proposed closure of the Ontario Fire College.
   i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal.

10. **Scheduled Motions**

    **Action Motions**
    a. Resolution 2021 – 33 was CARRIED
       Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
       Seconded By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
“Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby accept the recommendation of Administration and extends that the requirement for parking passes on municipal parking lots be suspended until May 31, 2021.”

**Consent Motions**

b. Resolution 2021 – 34 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson  
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis


c. Resolution 2021 – 35 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 Receive Report No: 2021 - 10 MF.  
AND FURTHER THAT the amounts as noted in the discussion section of this report be transferred to the appropriate reserve or reserve fund.”

The reserve and reserve fund balances as at December 31, 2020 will be as follows:

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Capital Reserve Balance at December 31, 2020 **$562,333.57**
d. Resolution 2021 – 36 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 April 8, 2021 in the amount of $99,143.15.”

11. Deferred Matters
   None

12. Enquires
   None

13. Emergent Matters
   a. Resolution 2021 – 37 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 acknowledges that there is an increasing incidence of environmental research occurring on the island related to Species at Risk and other natural, biological studies.

      AND WHEREAS the Council would like to ensure it is made aware of all potential projects and their benefit and impact to the community. This action will ensure a co-ordinated approach to the effective management of all projects.

      THEREFORE, the Council requires that all special interest and research groups or individuals register their project, the intended scope of the work with the Township of Pelee prior to the commencement of any work.

      AND FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be posted to the municipal website and on all social media feeds, as well as emailed to all environmental agencies currently working on the island.

      Amended to include the additional requirement for current and existing studies to register their project, and the intended scope of the work with the Township of Pelee.”

14. By-Laws
   a. Resolution 2021 – 38 was CARRIED
      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
      Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

      “Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-Law 2021 – 08; Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement with the Office of the Fire Marshal.”
b. Resolution 2021 – 39 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
   “Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-Law
   2021 – 09; Being a By-Law to confirm the donation of land from Peter and Erika
   Braithwaite (Sportsman Club – Monument).”
   i) In addition, council directed Administration to write a letter of thanks to
   Peter and Erika Braithwaite for their donation.

c. Resolution 2021 – 40 was CARRIED
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
   “Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-Law
   2021 – 10; Being a By-Law to amend Schedule A of By-Law 2019-11 to establish Fees
   and Charges effective January 1, 2021.”

d. Resolution 2021 – 41 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 - 11; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.”

15. Adjournment
    Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

    Raymond Durocher,
    Mayor

    Janice Hensel,
    CAO/Clerk
1. **Call to Order**
   Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.
   
   i. Court of Revision Agenda, April 19, 2021
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
   None

3. **Open Court of Revision**
   i. Motion made to open Court of Revision
   Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

4. **Oaths of Members**
   i. Mayor Ray Durocher
   ii. Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
   iii. Councillor Dayne Malloch

5. **Order of Appeals**
   i. There have been no written appeals submitted.
   ii. There was no verbal appeals from audience in attendance online.

6. **Decision of the Court of Revision**
   i. Report No. 2021 – 11 EC: Big Marsh Drain No. 4 – First Sitting of Court of Revision.
ii. Resolution 2021 – 42 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Pelee receives Report No. 2021 – 11 EC from the Drainage Superintendent dated April 16, 2021 regarding Big Marsh Drain No. 4 – New Maintenance Schedule;

AND FURTHER THAT:

1. The Court consider any assessment appeals raised by the landowners for the Big March Drain No. 4; and,
2. The Court adopt the schedule of assessment subject to any alterations by the Court provided by the appointed engineer for the Big Marsh Drain No. 4 prepared by Rood Engineering Inc. dated January 28th, 2021."

7. Close Court of Revision
   i. Motion made to close Court of Revision  
      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson  
      Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

8. Adjournment
   Court of Revision Meeting of Council adjourned at 5:44 p.m.  
   Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch  
   Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

__________________________________________
Raymond Durocher,  
Mayor

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Janice Hensel,  
CAO/Clerk
**List of Accounts for Approval**

As of 2021-04-23

**Batch: 2021-00016**

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### General - General Bank Account

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**As of 2021-04-23**

**Batch: 2021-00016**

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**Total for General:** 43,651.75

Certified Correct This April 23, 2021

______________________________  ______________________________
Mayor, Raymond Durocher             Treasurer
April 21, 2021

Re: Resolution - City of Cambridge Council – Request for Paid Sick Leave

At the Special Council Meeting of April 20, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following motion:

Mover: Councillor Wolf
Second: Councillor Reid

WHEREAS as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the increase in cases in Ontario, our hospitals and Intensive Care Units are overrun with people sick with the virus;

AND WHEREAS according to the Provincial Science Advisory Table on COVID-19 we need to protect essential workers and support them with paid sick leave;

AND WHEREAS it is being reported that the drivers of transmission are indoor workplaces, particularly industrial workplaces, warehouses, and distribution centres;

AND WHEREAS the COVID-19 crisis has unmasked the inequalities in our Province as most of the people now getting sick are the most vulnerable in our society and are those who cannot afford to stay home and often live and work in crowded conditions;

AND WHEREAS Workers who are denied paid sick days do not avoid illness, they bring the infections to work with them, and they transmit them to their coworkers, employees without paid sick leave;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Cambridge Council urge the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier to require Ontario employers to provide no less than five paid sick days annually to workers — after three months of employment — by amending the
Employment Standards Act, 2000, or through a different mechanism and to provide necessary funding, fiscal relief and/or support to employers so that all workers in Ontario have access to no less than 10 paid sick days annually in the event of a declared infectious disease emergency, such as the COVID-19 pandemic and ensure all Ontario workers have access to protected and paid emergency leave so care can be provided to children, parents, and/or other family members who may become ill and that all workers may receive paid time off to enable them to receive the COVID-19 Vaccine.

AND FURTHER that upon Council’s approval of this motion that it be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Provincial Minister of Labour, the Premier, and each Ontario municipality.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours truly,

Danielle Manton
City Clerk
Point Pelee National Park - Notice of Middle Island Conservation Management Activities

Parks Canada is responsible for maintaining and restoring ecological integrity in National Parks and is working to ensure the long term health of Point Pelee National Park’s sensitive ecosystems, including Middle Island. We have embarked on a multi-year program to improve the ecological health of the island’s Carolinian ecosystem, which includes improving habitat for species at risk, controlling invasive species, and protecting native vegetation communities by reducing the number of double-crested cormorants nesting on Middle Island.

From 2008 to 2019, Point Pelee National Park has improved the health of Middle Island’s fragile ecosystem and protected native vegetation communities by reducing the number of nesting double-crested cormorants on the island by 65%. An independent study and Parks Canada's monitoring efforts suggest that the previous rapid decline of healthy Carolinian forest cover had stopped, and that the remaining forest cover had not only stabilized but had started to increase in some areas. Although real conservation gains are being made, the current population of nesting double-crested cormorants on Middle Island is still unsustainable and poses a serious threat to the island's fragile Carolinian ecosystem and species at risk.

After Parks Canada deferred the cormorant population reduction in 2020 due to COVID-19, nest numbers rebounded significantly, demonstrating that it is critical to continue consistent management actions on Middle Island. Management activities to reduce the number of nesting double-crested cormorants on Middle Island are scheduled from April 29 to mid-May, 2021.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this or any other aspect of the resource conservation program at Point Pelee National Park, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Maria Papoulias
Superintendent | Directrice
Point Pelee National Park | Parc national de la Pointe Pelée
Parks Canada | Parcs Canada

maria.papoulias@canada.ca
Tel: 519-322-2365 x 2217
CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

Resolution

DATE: April 13, 2021

MOVED BY Heather Olmstead

SECONDED BY Sandy Cross

“THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin supports the Norfolk County Agricultural Advisor Board’s letter dated December 20, 2020 regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers, and;

THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the Honourable Vic Fedeli, MPP and circulated to all municipalities in Ontario.”

CARRIED

DIVISION VOTE

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February 23, 2021

The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson  
Minister of Environment and Climate Change  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau  
Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Ministers,

I am writing to advise that Norfolk County Council supports the attached Norfolk County Agricultural Advisory Board’s letter regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers. It is the recommendation of Norfolk County Council that the Federal Government consider the concerns of the agricultural community and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes. Please find attached the full recommendation.

Thank you for your attention,

Yours truly,

Kristal Chopp  
Mayor, Norfolk County

P.c.  Norfolk County Council  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
Ontario Municipalities
Dec 7, 2020

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, MP
Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Bibeau

Our agricultural advisory board (AAB) who represents the agricultural sector in Norfolk County, Ontario is very concerned about the federal government’s current carbon pricing policies. It is our hope that you consider our concerns and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes.

Carbon tax remains as a major cost of production for producers in Norfolk County. Although some farm fuel purchases are exempt, it is selective and does not meet the needs of the entire agriculture industry. Currently crop drying, heating/cooling of livestock barns and cooling of perishable commodities are still subject to full carbon taxes.

Currently there are no replacements for fossil fuels in agricultural production. As a result, carbon tax policies are not appropriate for the agricultural sector and only decrease farm margins.

Norfolk County which is known as Ontario’s garden is home to one of the country’s largest diversity of crop production. In addition to the extensive vegetable, fruit and grain production it boasts some of the highest ecological diverse natural habitats, plants and animals in Canada. There is approximately 25% tree cover in the county which is the highest percentage of forested land in Southwestern Ontario. Norfolk County It is also home to over 10,000 acres of woodlots and wetlands protected under Long Point Conservation Authority. In addition to the natural woodlots and wetlands there is also extensive fruit production with 2000 acres of apples and 1000 acres of sour cherries. A mature orchard can fix upwards of 18 mt of CO2 annually.

The adoption of production practices to protect the soil and environment are advanced in Norfolk County. There has been a wide implementation of cover cropping, planting green and reduced tillage practices all of which sequester carbon. Additional farming practices of 4R nutrient management coupled with precision technology ensure that appropriate nutrients are applied at the right time, place and rate. In many cases sensitive water sources around ponds and wetlands are planted with buffer strips and soil erosion control measures of grassed waterways and windbreaks are also common practices. ALUS (alternative land use) programs have been embraced across the county, taking unproductive land out of production, and returning it to natural native grass plantings, trees and constructed wetlands. Currently there are 1148 active projects with 189 producers covering 1573 acres in Norfolk County managed under the ALUS program.
The agriculture industry has made great strides to protect the environment and will continue to improve production practices that reduces the carbon footprint in food production.

The AAB board believes that all on farm fuels used in agricultural production should be exempt from carbon tax. This should include natural gas, propane, gas, and diesel. We strongly urge the government to be consistent with a sector wide exemption to current carbon tax policies.

Sincerely,

Dustin Zamecnik  
Chair of Norfolk County Agriculture Advisory Board
April 16, 2021

To: MP Shipley,  
48 Alliance Blvd Suite 104 
Barrie, Ontario 

RE: Clean Fuel Standard

Good day,

At its regular meeting on April 7, 2021, Council of the Township of Springwater passed resolution C146C-2021 endorsing the following letter presented by the Township of Springwater’s Agricultural Advisory Committee regarding the Clean Fuels Standard:

Dear Mr. Shipley,

The purpose of this letter is to discuss the Proposed Clean Fuels Standard that is being considered for legislation. As members of the Springwater Township Agricultural Advisory Committee, we have serious concerns with this proposal. This proposal in its current form, has the potential to be catastrophic to the Canadian farmer. The proposed rules and regulations for restrictions on land use are detrimental to the long-term viability of Canadian agriculture.

If this proposal goes ahead, Canadian farmers will be unable to make improvements to their land to make it more efficient for the use of crop production, thus making them unable to meet the needs of food supply needed for the ever-growing population. Making improvements to land for crop production is essential to the growing demand in food supply for our country and should not have restrictions placed upon it. Instilling restrictions in this manner is no different than telling a homeowner that any renovations made after a specific date disqualifies any future renovations.

The restrictions being imposed through the Clean Fuels Standard will make it so Canadian farmers are unable to recoup costs that they are spending in order to meet the needs of the growing population in Canada. Having these restrictions in place, will have buyers seeking products elsewhere, out of country. What will this do to Canada’s economy?

The ideas proposed, ‘setbacks from watercourses and woodlands,’ would come at a tremendous cost to the Canadian farmers who have purchased, paid taxes, and cared for, for generations, are suddenly unable to use the land for renewable fuel purposes.
How will these costs be recovered if the farmer is unable to utilize this land for crop production? Is a farmer going to have to build separate grain storage to store products that are ineligible for renewable energy at a cost of hundreds of thousands of dollars? Isn't it important that the Canadian Government work with Canadian farmers, not impose unworkable rules and regulations that hinder crop production and create a competitive disadvantage with other countries?

The Canadian Government has shown little regard for Canadian farmers in some of their policies and proposed legislation in recent years. The Clean Fuels Standard combined with the recent Carbon Tax, has the potential to put many Canadian farmers out of business. We need our governments to work with Canadian farmers in order to provide for the growing need of food supply in our country.

Please contact Chair David Spring to discuss this further at (705) 730-4033. We look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Don Allen
Mayor, Township of Springwater

David S. Spring
Chairperson of the Springwater Township Agricultural Advisory Committee

Cc:
Hon., Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change;
MPP Doug Downey,
Hon., Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
All Ontario Municipalities
To: Pelee Island Township Office

Re: Proposal for a new Saturday Island Market location

We would like to inquire about the possibility of using the gazebo area to the south of the township office this summer for an Island Market. Previously, we’ve had Markets at the quarry on East-West road but due to the Covid-19 situation, we were encouraged to find a new area last year. Bernie Van Donk kindly offered his yard for several Markets last summer but this year he’s too busy to host us again. We found the West Shore area was very good for hosting a Market, partly due to increased drive-by traffic and visibility, as well as a pleasant lakeside view and cooling breezes.

It was suggested that the gazebo area would be a perfect spot for hosting an Island Market. Normally, we have roughly half a dozen vendors, sometimes one or two more. Proposed dates and times are beginning on Saturday, May 22nd (the May 24 weekend), from 10am until 1pm (with possible extension to 3pm), and running until no later than Thanksgiving weekend.

We are aware of the importance of keeping the emergency driveway open and would put up additional signage if required to remind people to keep that essential pathway clear. All COVID rules will be followed as well as any additional regional guidelines that may be mandated. We successfully followed all guidelines (social distancing, wearing of masks, and provision of hand sanitizers) in the 2020 summer Markets with no problems encountered.

We believe the Market is a popular event and benefits the island greatly a number of ways. It enables local artists, growers, and makers to sell their crafts (such as gourds, baskets, soaps, balms, etc.) and fresh produce such as locally grown vegetables, fruits, and herbs. The Market is, in some cases, the only venue available to sell some of these wares. We have always encouraged locals to join us and set up vending tables, free of charge. This can be a real advantage for those who don’t sell a lot but simply come up to offer some handicrafts and socialize with other locals and visitors.

Past Markets have been very well received, especially in these trying times where much of the island has been closed and there has not been a lot to see or do. The Market gives island vendors as well as residents and visitors a chance to interact in a fun and safe manner. The social aspects we believe are invaluable as vendors are able to answer any questions new visitors might have, such as information on where to eat, stay, and play.

Last year, daily visitor counts ranged from about 40 up to 90 people. This would be a steady stream of visitors with no more than a half dozen or so people at any one time.

The gazebo location is perfect for visitors coming off the boat as it is high visibility and is easily accessible to ‘walk-ons.’ Parking should be sufficient with numerous spaces available nearby at the ferry dock, behind the Heritage Centre, etc. Public washrooms are also conveniently located a short distance away.

We would ensure that the grounds would be completely cleaned up and left as found or better.
The gazebo itself would be a wonderful place for light entertainment. Local musicians would be encouraged to perform, busker style.

We would welcome your comments and suggestions for making our island Market a smooth, trouble-free operation. If the location is not suitable, perhaps you could suggest alternative locations.

Respectfully, Rob Tymstra
The Corporation of the Township of Pelee
Regular Meeting of Council
COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Date: April 26, 2021

Resolution 2021 –
Moved by: Seconded by:

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

i. Disbursements as at April 23, 2021 in the amount of $43,651.75.”

RESOLUTION RESULT          RECORDED VOTE
CARRIED                      YES  NO
DEFEATED                     
DEFERRED                     
REFERRED                    
PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED  
RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)    
WITHDRAWN                    

MAYOR-Raymond Durocher       CAO/Clerk-Janice Hensel

The above is a certified to be true copy of resolution number 2021 –

Janice Hensel
CAO/Clerk
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PELEE

BY-LAW: 2021 – 12

"CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS"

(April 26th, 2021)

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 26th day of April, 2021 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" (April 26th, 2021)

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

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 26th day of April, 2021.

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MAYOR, Raymond Durocher

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CAO/Clerk, Janice Hensel