



**TOWNSHIP OF PELEE**  
**Regular Meeting of Council Minutes**  
**Monday June 28, 2021 5:30 pm**  
**Electronic Meeting**

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

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

Other: Eric Chamberlain, Drainage Superintendent  
          Members of the Public

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**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m.

- a. Regular Meeting of Council Agenda, June 28, 2021

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

**2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- a. Regular Meeting of Council, **June 14, 2021**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None

**4. Delegations**

None

**5. Reports**

- a. Deputy Mayor David Dawson

i) Transportation Teams Report: Ferry Service

- i. Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson stated there was nothing new to report on the township's three main requests/issues with the ferry at this time. These requests being:

1. Place the PI2 into full service as soon as possible
  2. While in COVID, establish passenger count at the 2020 COVID level minimum
  3. Accommodate the lack of service between USA Mainland by adding that service capacity to/from the Canadian mainland
- ii. Deputy Mayor also stated the island's next immediate concern is that wheat, barley and canola harvest is imminent. These crops are perishable in hot, humid conditions and need to get to market, clean and cool. There are an estimated 80-90 – 1,350 bus semis that need to move to market in July. There is not a large ferry scheduled for July 12 -18th – the potential middle of harvest. This Ag issue just adds to the tourism, construction and the basic needs of an Island community.
- b. Eric Chamberlain, Drainage Superintendent
- i) Update on Drainage Projects
    - i. Brush spraying on the island will include the following projects which are planned for late July to mid-August with costs divided by these five projects:
      1. Pelee Airport – West Shore Road
      2. Drain Projects – Big Marsh West Branch Drain No. 1, Hooper Drain, Henderson Drain, and Irwin Parson Drain North and South.
    - ii. Rivard Excavating is scheduled for July 14 on the ferry to complete levelling and grading sediment piles, grouting the bridge located on Pelee Island Winery property, and the creation of four habitat piles. These projects should take approximately 3-4 days.
    - iii. Drain Maintenance Project: Hooper/Henderson/Irwin Parson Drains
      1. Barrett Excavating is working on ferry scheduling, once a date is provided Council will be informed.
    - iv. Drain Classification Project
      1. Administration has secured funding from Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Administration has signed the agreement with Natural Resource Solutions to complete the drain classifications. This project is scheduled to be completed between July and September.
    - v. Big Marsh Drain No. 4
      1. This project is proceeding through Department of Fisheries and Ocean review. There is no time line for this project at this time.

- vi. Gardner/Huffman Drains – Maintenance Project
  - 1. Need to schedule an onsite meeting for this project, aiming for meeting notices to go out next week.

**6. Consent Reports**

- a. Administration – Report No. 2021 – 15 ADMIN
  - i) Update on Administrative Activities and Council Priorities.
- b. Treasurer – Michelle Feltz:
  - i) To extend existing parking permits to July 31, 2021;
    - i. Councillor Dayne Malloch made the motion to amend the draft resolution to extend existing parking permits to March 2022, rather than the proposed July 31, 2021.

Resolution 2021 – 69 was CARRIED

Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby recognizes the impact of COVID-19 travel restrictions and hereby extends existing parking permits to March, 2022.”

- ii) To rescind Resolution No. 2021-64 and extend relief of interest and penalty charges on property tax and accounts receivable until August 1, 2021.
- iii) Report No. 2021 – 16 MF Financial Summary and Capital Project Progress Report
- iv) Disbursements as at June 24, 2021 in the amount of \$ 229,992.02.

**7. Recognitions**

Mayor Ray Durocher:

- i) To recognize the community contributions of the Canada Day Committee;
- ii) To recognize the “Friends of Pelee Flower Committee” for their beautification efforts at the memorial garden on West Pump Road.

**8. Communications and Petitions**

- a. **Lisa Kolody, Canada Healthy Communities Initiative** – Announcing successful application under the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative Grant for the “*Pelee Island East Park Picnic Shelter and Playground Project*” to create safe and vibrant public spaces.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Lisa Kolody, Canada Healthy Communities Initiative.

- b. **Corporation of the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen and Municipality of Chatham-Kent** – Expressing support for resolution of the Township of Southwest Middlesex regarding drainage matters on Canadian National Railway lands.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen and the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.
  
- c. **Corporation of the Municipality Chatham-Kent** – Expressing support for resolution by the Town of Fort Erie regarding capital gains tax on primary residences.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.
  
- d. **Corporation of the Municipality Chatham-Kent** – Expressing support for resolution by the Township of Archipelago regarding the banning of encapsulated polystyrene foam and Bill 279: proposed changes to the Environmental Protection Amendment Act, 2021 (Microplastics filters for Washing Machines)
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.
  
- e. **Corporation of the City of Welland** – Expressing support for the creation of a national 988 suicide and crisis hotline.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of Welland.
  
- f. **Corporation of the City of St. Catherines** – Calling on the Ontario government to expand testing to all strains of lyme disease and to improve the level of treatment and care for those affected.
  - i) Communication received by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the City of St. Catherines.

## 9. **Scheduled Motions**

### **Action Motions**

- a. Resolution 2021 – 70 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby resolves that no late payment charges on property tax accounts and accounts receivable in either form, penalty and/or interest, through the period ending July 31, 2021. In the absence of additional financial relief measures, interest and penalties will be calculated on all past due balances as of August 1, 2021 and the first of every month thereafter. Resolution 2021-64 is rescinded.”

**Consent Motions**

- b. Resolution 2021 – 71 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 receive Report No: 2021 – 15 ADMIN: Update on Administration Activities and Council Priorities.”

- c. Resolution 2021 – 72 was CARRIED

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

Seconded By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive Report No: 2021 – 16 MF: Financial Summary at May 31, 2021 and Capital Projects Progress Report at June 24, 2021.”

- d. Resolution 2021 – 73 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 24, 2021 in the amount of \$229,992.02.”

**10. Deferred Matters**

- a. By-Law 2021 – 21; Being a By-Law to regulate golf cars in the Township of Pelee.

- i) This matter has been deferred until such time as legal can review and compile comments.

**11. Enquires**

None

**12. Emergent Matters**

None

**13. By-Laws**

- a. Resolution 2021 – 74 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 adopts By-Law 2021 – 22; Being a By-Law to authorize the execution of an agreement with the Nature Conservancy of Canada to provide for trail maintenance.”

- b. Resolution 2021 – 75 was CARRIED  
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette  
Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

“Be it Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby adopts By-Law 2021 – 23; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.”


**14. Adjournment**

Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

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

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**Michelle Feltz,**  
**Treasurer/Deputy**  
**Clerk**