



TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
Tuesday May 25, 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, May 25, 2021
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

2. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes

- a. Regular Meeting of Council, **May 10, 2021**
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Delegations

None

5. Reports

- a. Mayor Ray Durocher
 - i) Report: OPP Detachment Board – Requesting a resolution to support two boards for the County of Essex and Pelee Island.
- b. Deputy Mayor David Dawson
 - i) Transportation Teams Report: Ferry Service
- c. Councillor Dayne Malloch
 - i) Resolution to support the immediate re-opening of Ontario with

consideration to regional circumstances.

- d. Drainage Superintendent: Eric Chamberlain
 - i) Report No. 2021 – 13 EC: To gain approval to enter into an agreement with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to obtain funding in the amount of \$10,000 including applicable taxes for the completion of Municipal Drain Classification.
- e. Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Michelle Feltz
 - i) 2021 Budget Presentation
- f. Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk: Janice Hensel
 - i) Resolution for final extension of existing parking permits to June 30, 2021.

6. Consent Reports

- a. Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Michelle Feltz
 - i) Report No. 2021 – 14 MF Financial Summary at April 30, 2021 and Budget to Actual Report at May 20, 2021
- b. Treasurer/Deputy Clerk – Michelle Feltz
 - i) Disbursements Report as at May 20, 2021 in the amount of \$13,084.67.

7. Recognitions

None

8. Communications and Petitions

- a. **Dave Epp, Member of Parliament, Chatham-Kent Leamington** – Requesting municipalities pass a resolution to support a national 3-digit suicide prevention hotline line to Canada.
 - i) Communication received by the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Dave Epp, Member of Parliament, Chatham-Kent Leamington.
 - ii) Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson made a motion to support this request.

Resolution 2021 – 54 was CARRIED
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson
Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

“BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby support the 988 Crisis Line;

WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 per cent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Pelee recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Pelee endorses this 988 crisis line initiative;

And that Staff be directed to send a letter indicating such support to the local MP, MPP, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities to indicate our support.”

- b. **Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent and the Township of Terrace Bay** – Requesting the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services review and update the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
 - i) Communication received by the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent and the Township of Terrace Bay.
- c. **Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin** – Requesting the Province of Ontario, Ministry of Transportation map, treat, monitor and irradiate the re-growth of phragmites along provincial highways.
 - i) Communication received by the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from the Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin.
- d. **Southwest Outdoors Club** – Expressing support for and requesting the Township consider creating a Hungarian Partridge Hunt or expanding the Pheasant Hunt to include additional species.
 - i) Communication received by the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Southwest Outdoors Club.
 - ii) Council has deferred this item to the Tourism, Hunting and Fishing & Economic Development Committee for further investigation and recommendations.
- e. **Dean Ware** - Expressing support for and requesting the Township expanding the Pheasant Hunt to include additional species, specifically the Hungarian Partridge.
 - i) Communication received by the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Dean Ware.
 - ii) Council has deferred this item to the Tourism, Hunting and Fishing & Economic Development Committee for further investigation and recommendations.
- f. **Gravel Watch Ontario** – Response to request for feedback on recent consultation on Growing the Size of the Greenbelt and recognizing the need to preserve agricultural lands, water resources and the natural environment.
 - i) Communication received by the Corporation of the Township of Pelee from Gravel Watch Ontario.

9. Scheduled Motions

Action Motions

- a. Resolution 2021 – 55 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 receives Report No. 2021 – 13 EC regarding DFO Drain Classification be received,

AND WHEREAS, the Council of the Township of Pelee agrees to revise the scope of work to include a minimum of 20 drains for a contract value of \$14,300 (plus HST);

AND FURTHER, that administration be directed to enter into the necessary agreements with Natural Resource Solutions Inc and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans in order to obtain \$10,000 including applicable taxes to complete municipal drain classification.”

- b. Resolution 2021 – 56 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Dayne Malloch

“BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby recognizes the importance of recent provincial wide actions to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 and acknowledges and respects the severity of the COVID-19 pandemic and the importance of keeping Ontarians safe and healthy.

AND WHEREAS, due to its geographical location, the viability of business and the community of Pelee Island is dependent on seasonal activities such as construction, servicing and the execution of municipal contracts occurring between April and November.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township request the Premier of Ontario to consider an immediate approach to re-opening the Province in areas where seasonal business operation is critical to economic recovery and the sustainability of the municipality.

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 the Member of Parliament and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.”

- c. Resolution 2021 – 57 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dayne Malloch
Seconded By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette

“BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Pelee recognizes the impact of COVID-19 travel restrictions and hereby extends the current parking permits to June 30, 2021.”

- d. Resolution 2021 – 58 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 accepts the 2021 budget plan by resolution allowing staff to proceed with capital projects and pass the 2021 budget estimates by-law once financial statements are reviewed as the annual surplus will affect the budget estimate amount.”

Consent Motions

- e. Resolution 2021 – 59 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 consents to the following items:

- i. To receive Report No: 2021 – 14 MF: Financial Summary at April 30, 2021. Budget to Actual Report: 2020 Unaudited/ 2021 at May 20, 2021
- ii. Disbursements as at May 20, 2021 in the amount of \$13,084.67.”

10. Deferred Matters

None

11. Enquires

None

12. Emergent Matters

None

13. By-Laws

- a. Resolution 2021 – 60 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

“**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Pelee adopts By-Law 2021 – 16; Being a By-Law to Establish 2021 Tax Ratios.”

- b. Resolution 2021 – 61 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Sherri Smith Ouellette
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

“**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Pelee adopts By-Law 2021 – 17; Being a By-Law to Set and Levy Tax Rates and further to provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2021.”

- c. Resolution 2021 – 62 was CARRIED
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dave Dawson

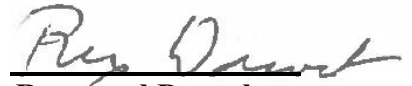
“BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Pelee adopts By-Law 2021 – 18; Being a By-Law to provide for the 2020 maintenance of the following municipal drains: Big Marsh and Curry Marsh.”

- d. Resolution 2021 – 63 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 - 19; Being a By-Law to Confirm Proceedings.”

14. Adjournment

Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 6:34 p.m.



**Raymond Durocher,
Mayor**



**Janice Hensel,
CAO/Clerk**