



THE CORPORATION OF THE
Township Of Pelee
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MINUTES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024
6:00 PM

**Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 403
1169 West Shore Road
Pelee Island, ON, N0R 1M0**

Members of Council: Mayor Cathy Miller
Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch
Councillor Dave DeLellis
Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford
Councillor Michelle Taylor

Members of Administration: Township Administrator & Clerk Kristine Horst
Treasurer Michelle Feltz

Staff Present: Community Services Manager Danielle Truax
Operations Manager Rob Arsenault

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cathy Miller called the Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – July 23, 2024

Resolution 2024-136

Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded By: Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford

That the July 23, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council Minutes be adopted.

CARRIED

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Katie Stammler– Essex Region Conservation Authority

- i. 2023 Annual Progress Reports on the implementation of the Essex Region Source Protection Plan

Dr. Katie Stammler presented the 2023 Annual Progress on the implementation of the Essex Region Source Protection Plan.

6. DELEGATIONS

A. John Clark – Spatial Engage

John Clark presented the Spatial Engage digital mapping software to Council.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. **Disbursements** – July 17th to August 21st, 2024
- B. **MTO OSTC Minutes** – Wednesday August 21st, 2024
- C. **Committee of Adjustment Minutes** – Wednesday September 20th, 2023
- D. **Hunting & Fishing Committee Minutes** – Tuesday June 18th, 2024

Resolution 2024 – 137

Moved By: Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford

Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That Council hereby receive Consent Agenda items A. – D.

CARRIED

8. REPORTS

A. Community Services Manager Danielle Truax

- i. Report No. 2024 – 43 DT: Interim Control By-Law, Additional Dwelling Units and Sleeping Cabins.

The Community Services Manager presented the report to Council.

Council asked questions for clarification to the Community Services Manager.

No motion was made to move forward with an Interim Control By-Law. The following motion was passed:

Resolution 2024 – 138

Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded By: Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford

That Council receive the report from the Community Services Manager dated July 25, 2024, regarding the consideration and enactment of an Interim Control By-law to prohibit the use of land, building and structures for additional dwelling units, accessory dwelling units, secondary or second dwelling units, sleeping cabins or bunkies on lands located within the Township of Pelee, including the submission of applications received under the provisions of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990 c.P13.

CARRIED

B. Township Administrator & Clerk Kristine Horst

- i. Report No. 2024 – 44 KH: Distemper on Pelee Island – Update

The Township Administrator & Clerk presented the report to Council.

Resolution 2024 – 139

Moved by: Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford

Seconded by: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the report from the Township Administrator & Clerk regarding Distemper on Pelee Island be received as information.

CARRIED

- ii. **Report No. 2024 – 45 KH: 2024 Pheasant Hunt Surveys – Hunter & Property Owner**

The Township Administrator & Clerk presented the report to Council.

Resolution 2024 – 140

Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

That the report from the Township Administrator & Clerk regarding the 2024 Pheasant Hunt Surveys – Hunter & Property Owner;

AND THAT the recommendation from the Hunting and Fishing Committee be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT Administration be directed to develop and provide a survey to hunters of the 2024 Pheasant Hunts to obtain new and additional feedback

since the last survey in 2022, and further that a property owner survey be drafted to gain feedback from Pelee Island property owners as it relates to the annual Pheasant Hunts using suggestions from the Hunting and Fishing Committee.

CARRIED

iii. **Report No. 2024 – 46 KH: 2024 Pheasant Hunt Information Sessions**

The Township Administrator & Clerk presented the report to Council.

Resolution 2024 – 140

Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

That the report from the Township Administrator & Clerk regarding the 2024 Pheasant Hunt Information Sessions;

AND FURTHER THAT three 2025 main Pheasant Hunt licences be granted by Council for door prizes at the Information Sessions to encourage hunter attendance.

CARRIED

C. Drainage Superintendent Eric Chamberlain

i. **Report No. 2024 – 48 EC: 2024 Phragmites Control Program**

The Township Administrator & Clerk presented the report to Council in the absence of the Drainage Superintendent.

Resolution 2024 – 141

Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That Council hereby receive the report from the Drainage Superintendent regarding 2024 Phragmites Control Program and direct Administration to provide Nature Conservancy of Canada with a letter of support for the 2024 Phragmites Control Program.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Huron County – Letter of Support Township of Pelee

B. Huron County – Letter of Support Township of Pelee

C. Municipality of West Nipissing – Letter of Support Township of Pelee

- D. Town of Tecumseh** – Letter of Support Township of Pelee
- E. Town of Plympton-Wyoming** – Underserviced Cellular Communication Services in Rural and Urban Centres
- F. Municipality of Wawa** – Letter of Support Re: request for the government to implement sustainable funding for small rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force

Council passed the following motion relating item 9. E. from Correspondence:

Resolution 2024 – 143

Moved by: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded by: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby support the resolution from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, and further that a letter of support be sent, copied to MP Dave Epp.

CARRIED

Resolution 2024 – 129

Moved by: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded by: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby support the City of Pickering, Township of Amaranth, Township of Tecumseth, Town of Petrolia, Municipality of Central Manitoulin, and Township of Archipelago’s request to the Province of Ontario to reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing out of free private drinking water testing services.

AND FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to all Ontario municipalities, the Minister of Health, Chatham-Kent-Leamington MPP, and the Windsor Essex County Health Unit. In addition to the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health, Anthony Leardi MPP

CARRIED

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

- A. Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch may move or cause to have moved:**

That the Discharge of Firearms By-Law 2018 – 36 be amended to remove the portion of the by-law restricting discharge of firearms outside of the Pheasant hunts, in order to allow for trap shooting and additional hunting opportunities outside of the Pheasant Hunt permitted hours and dates.

The following motion was passed:

Resolution 2024 – 144

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

Seconded by: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That Council hereby request Administration amend the Discharge of Firearms By-Law 2018 – 36 to remove restrictions in place regarding discharging firearms, outside of the Pheasant Hunt permitted hours and dates during the three week window indicated in section 1 of the By-Law, to allow for trap shooting and additional hunting opportunities outside of the Pheasant Hunt.

CARRIED

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

12. RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Mayor Miller recognized Jay Nageleisen’s retirement from the Township of Pelee.

13. BY-LAWS

A. **By-Law 2024 – 38;** Being a By-Law to impose Interim Control under the provisions of Section 38 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P13

No motion made.

B. **By-Law 2024 – 39;** Being a By-Law of the Township of Pelee to provide for the maintenance of the following municipal drains: Victoria Road Drain to raise the sum of \$27,302.00 to pay therefore.

Resolution 2024 – 145

Moved By: Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford

Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

C. **That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby give three readings to By-Law 2024 – 39; Being a By-Law of the Township of Pelee to provide for the maintenance of the following municipal drains: Victoria Road Drain to raise the sum of \$27,302.00 to pay therefore.**

CARRIED

D. By-Law 2024 – 40; Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council for August 27th, 2024.

Resolution 2024 – 146

Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

That By-Law 2024 – 40; Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council for August 27, 2024 be read a first, second and third time and finally adopted this 27th day of August, 2024.

CARRIED

A brief recess was called at 7:38pm, prior to entering the closed session.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Council passed the following motion and moved into a closed session at 7:47pm.

Resolution 2024 – 147

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

That the Council of the Township of Pelee enter into Closed Session at 7:47pm in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001*, to address the following items: 1. Subsection 239 (2) (c) – acquisition or disposition of land; and 2. Subsection 239 (2) (k) – plans and instructions for negotiations.

CARRIED

- A. Council moved into closed session in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001 section 239 (2): (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; and (k) plans and instructions for negotiations.*

The following items were addressed:

- North Wharf Divestiture
- Ground Lease Agreement negotiations

Council rose from Closed Session at 8:35pm.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Original Signed By:

**MAYOR,
CATHERINE MILLER**

Original Signed By:

**TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR & CLERK,
KRISTINE HORST**