



the partnership will draft a Memorandum of Understanding for final approval. Also present were Manny Barron, CAO and Aly Cripps, Executive Assistant, from Township of Mapleton; and Derrick Thompson, CAO, Belinda Wick-Graham, Economic Development Manager and Taylor Keunen, Marketing & Community Development Coordinator from Town of Minto.

A background of the three Northern Wellington municipal Economic Development Departments partnering on programs and initiatives over the past eight years, meetings, speakers and discussion/education topics was provided. Programs partnered on include Business Retention & Expansion (BR+E), Youth Programs, and other programs (2009 - Women of Wellington Saugeen Area; 2016 - Manufacturers of Northern Wellington Showcase at IPM; 2015 Butter Tarts & Buggies Tourism initiative with Mapleton partnering in 2017; and 2018 – Northern Wellington Young Professionals “re-launch”).

The 2020 Enhanced Partnership Programs include:

- Cross Sector Business Retention & Expansion Program that can be the trigger to focus our future regional requirements.
- Recruitment of a Municipal Youth Engagement Coordinator
- Focus on Newcomer Attraction and Housing Programs
- Expansion of Launchit Services to Mapleton and Wellington North
- Targeted Marketing & Promotion initiatives
- Benefits to Wellington North

A Few Items of Note:

- Only the programs previously mentioned are part of the 2020 enhanced partnership and resources will continue to report and be funded by the partner municipalities
- All other Economic Development programs in place in the three municipalities will continue to be the responsibility of the local municipality.
- No additional funding is required as all initiatives are funded in the 2020 Wellington North Economic Development budget.
- We believe this enhanced partnership will benefit all municipalities and we look forward to working together even more than we have in the past.

## **RECESS TO MOVE INTO PUBLIC MEETING**

RESOLUTION: 2020-019

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North recess the Regular Council Meeting of January 27, 2020 at 7:17 p.m. for the purpose of holding a Public Meeting under the Planning Act:*

- 2574574 Ontario Inc. (Brad Wilson) – Minor Variance

CARRIED

## **RESUME REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION: 2020-020

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North resume the January 27, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council at 7:29 p.m.*

CARRIED

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

- Regular Meeting of Council, January 13, 2020

RESOLUTION: 2020-021

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 13, 2020 be adopted as circulated.*

CARRIED

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

### COUNCIL OPEN FORUM

Mental Health... what role can we play in keeping our community members healthy?

Councillor McCabe stating he found it would be hard to believe that anyone has not been touched by mental health and suicide in one way or another. Mental Health affects everyone differently. Hopefully talking about mental health can take away the stigma. The Here 4 Hope presentation on January 13th was an eyeopener. It's a great way for outreach but is there a way we can reach more people. Our community rallies around events related to mental health, and their organizers. It is important for Council to support these functions and be involved and participate.

Consideration needs to be given to first responders and how they deal with tragic situations. Many employers have programs and train staff to notice the signs, but how do we get to the people that we are missing. Our community has a lot of retired people, self employed and farmers whose mental health could suffer as a result of isolation. Many agricultural associations are promoting mental well being. Council could show their commitment, support and willingness to learn what they can do through training for Council and staff, encouraging other employers and open training to our community through a partnership with Here 4 Hope. By building awareness, we stand a better chance of connecting people to the right service. Our website and social media could be used to get the message out. Youth also need to be included.

Council invited Pastor Harry, Victory Church, a member of the gallery, to share his views. In his response he stated everyone is genuinely concerned and he sees how stress has increased at a younger age. There are lots of concerned groups and programs out there; but programs don't work if people are not engaged. The Victory Church runs a teen drop at which they can play pool, basket ball, etc. There are three trained adults on site for the teens to talk to without sermonizing The teens feel safe and talk about serious issues. People are so into the use of the cyber technology that they have lost touch with others. We need to ask what is the hope in you and what is the hope in life. Programs are okay but ultimately, they need you. People need hope. That is the answer.

Council concluded the discussion with "The more people involved the more hope we can give".

## IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

1a, 1b, 2a, 3b, 6c, 7a, 7c.

**ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

RESOLUTION: 2020-022

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT all items listed under Items for Consideration on the January 27, 2020 Council agenda, with the exception of those items identified for separate discussion, be approved and the recommendations therein be adopted.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Mount Forest District Chamber of Commerce meeting held on December 3, 2019.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Arthur & District Chamber of Commerce meeting held on December 10, 2019.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Mount Forest Business Improvement Association meeting held on January 14, 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the Planning Report prepared by Michelle Innocente, Senior Planner, dated January 22, 2020, regarding Proposed Part Lot Control Exemption for 579575 Ontario Ltd., Part Lot 3, South of Miller Street, Parts 1 and 3, Reference Plan 61-21724, 170 Miller Street, Township of Wellington North (Mount Forest), Part Lot Control Exemption Application.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2020-01 being the Building Permit Review for the period ending November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2020-02 being the Building Permit Review for the period ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019.*

*THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Economic Development Officer Community Improvement Program report EDO 2020-001;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council approve a Downtown Revitalization Blade Signage Grant:*

- *\$1,184 grant to Colors from Afar @ 103 Main Street North in Mount Forest.*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council approve Façade Improvement Grants:*

- *\$2,500 grant to Ideal Ladies Wear @ 237 Main Street South in Mount Forest*
- *\$1,848 grant to Mountain Hydroponics @ 144 Main Street South in Mount Forest*
- *\$1,848 grant to Hair on Main @ 146 Main Street South in Mount Forest*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the Cheque Distribution Report dated January 20, 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive Report TR2020-02 being a report on the external auditor's (RLB LLP) audit plan for the 2019 calendar year;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North direct staff to execute the agreement (engagement letter) to confirm the mutual understanding of the terms of the engagement with RLB for the purposes of auditing the consolidated statements of the Township of Wellington North.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North authorize staff to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for the Damascus Community Hall.*

CARRIED

**CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS IDENTIFIED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION**

RESOLUTION: 2020-023

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT Council of the Corporation of Wellington North receive Report CLK 2020-003 being a report to consider the final engineer's report for the proposed drainage works for Arthur Drain 2 (Martin) Drain;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council hereby approves the final Engineer's report December 20, 2019, prepared by K. Smart Associates Limited File No. 18-221;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council give first and second reading to a provisional by-law to adopt the final engineers report;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council set the date for the Court of Revision as February 24, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. to hear any appeals filed in this matter.*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Township of Wellington North hereby appoint the following individuals to sit on the Court of Revision*

- *Councillor McCabe,*
- *Councillor Hern and*
- *Councillor Yake*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law to appoint those members to the Court of revision.*

CARRIED

Neal Morris, Drainage Engineer, explained that the purpose of this meeting serves as the Public Meeting for the proposed drainage works for Arthur Drain 2 (Martin) Drain. The work will fill in 230m of existing ditch and grading it as an overflow swale, and 683m of closed drain. The estimated cost of this project is \$127,615. The watershed served is approximately 84.7 hectares (209.2 acres). Township of Wellington North assessment is \$175. County of Wellington assessment is \$3,136. The 1/3 grant is \$19,371. A Court of Revision will be held to deal with assessments on February 24, 2020.

Marco Feletto, Lot 1, Concession 13, questioned the inclusion of his untiled land in this drainage watershed. Mr. Morris explained that the watershed is based on historic watershed. There are existing drains around this drain. A portion of costs as outlet gives Mr. Feletto the right to drain into the drainage system.

Galen Martin, Concession 1, Part Lot S ½ 3, inquired how drainage will be done through the bush. Mr. Morris stated that plastic tile will be used in the area through the forest

Paul Brophy and Joanne Kursky, 27 Wood Street, Conn, asked if drains on the Conn properties are being replaced and how assessments are decided. Mr. Morris confirmed that work will not take place on the Conn properties. A portion of those properties are within the watershed of the drain and are included in the assessment.

Mr. Morris advised that Notices of Court of Revision will be sent out and will include information if anyone wants to appeal their assessment. The amount of total assessment cannot change. Anyone wanting to appeal their assessment needs to provide information regarding how the assessment to others should be changed.

Mayor Lennox asked if there was anyone who wished to add or withdraw their name from the petition. No one added or withdrew their name.

RESOLUTION: 2020-024

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT Council of the Corporation of Wellington North receive Report CLK 2020-004 being a report to consider the final engineer's report for the proposed drainage works for Murphy Drain;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council hereby approves the final Engineer's report December 19, 2019, prepared by K. Smart Associates Limited File No. 19-067;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council give first and second reading to a provisional by-law to adopt the final engineers report;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council set the date for the Court of Revision as February 24, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. to hear any appeals filed in this matter.*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Township of Wellington North hereby appoint the following individuals to sit on the Court of Revision*

- *Councillor Hern,*
- *Councillor Yake, and*
- *A Council member from the Town of Minto;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law to appoint those members to the Court of revision.*

CARRIED

Neal Morris, Drainage Engineer, explained that the purpose of this meeting serves as the Public Meeting for the proposed drainage works for the Murphy Drain. The work will incorporate 601m of closed drain, already installed, with the addition of one more catch basin to be installed. The drain runs from the corner of the Township of Wellington North and crosses Wellington Road 6 into the Town of Minto, crossing 2 gas lines and outlets into an existing private ditch. The estimated cost of the project is \$58,467. The watershed served is approximately 11.4 hectares (28.2 acres). The assessments include Township of Wellington North at zero, cost to the two property owners, County of Wellington, MTO and Enbridge (Union) Gas.

John and Betty Murphy, Concession 12, Part Lot 1, inquired where the second catch basin will be located and expressed concern that it will be in the field and subject to potential damage from farm equipment. The Murphy's have paid for the work that has taken place so far. Mr. Morris explained that the catch basin will be approximately one metre from the gas lines. A buried junction box can be used instead of a catch basin. This cost will go to the watershed and will be paid for by the gas company. The Murphy's will get a credit for the work already completed.

Mr. Morris advised that a member of the Town of Minto Council needs to be appointed to the Court of Revision. Notices of Court of Revision will be sent out and will include information if anyone wants to appeal their assessment. The amount of total assessment cannot change. Anyone wanting to appeal their assessment needs to provide information regarding how the assessment to others should be changed.

Mayor Lennox asked if there was anyone who wished to add or withdraw their name from the petition. No one added or withdrew their name.

RESOLUTION: 2020-025

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the County of Wellington Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on December 5, 2019.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-026

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive correspondence dated January 22, 2020, from Frank Vanderloo, P. Eng., B.M. Ross and Associated Limited regarding Lucas Subdivision, Mount Forest (Reeves Construction Limited), Draft Plan 23T-79087, Preliminary Acceptance of Stage 4, Phase 1 (Lots 8 to 20), Final Acceptance of Stages 1 & 2, Phase 1 (Lots 8 to 20), Securities Reduction, Phase 1;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North grant Reeves Construction Limited, for the Lucas Subdivision (Draft Plan 23T79087) in the community of Mount Forest:*

- 1. Preliminary Acceptance for Stage 4 of Phase 1 (Lots 8 to 20), with a preliminary acceptance date of October 5, 2019;*
- 2. Final Acceptance for Stage 1 and for Stage 2 of Phase 1 (Lots 8 to 20), and*
- 3. A reduction in the Phase 1 securities, to the amount of \$60,000.00.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-027

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive the Fourth Quarter 2019 Council Variance Report.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-028

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of Wellington North receive Report OPS 2020-003 being a report on a procurement waiver on some of the Township's 2020 capital program;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the minimum forty-day tendering period detailed within the Purchasing and Procurement Policy (Policy # 003-18) be reduced for a portion of the Township's 2020 capital program, mainly:*

- 1. Full reconstruction of Fergus Street South between King and Wellington Streets;*
- 2. Full reconstruction of Georgina Street between Charles and Frederick Streets;*
- 3. Watermain replacement project on Domville Street between Tucker and Clarke Streets;*
- 4. Sidewalk installation on Eastview Drive;*
- 5. Sidewalk installation on King Street East between 440 King Street East and London Road; and*
- 6. Right-turn lane installation on Mount Forest Drive and Highway 6.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-029

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North appoint the following members of Council to the Recreation, Parks & Leisure Committee:*

- *Councillor Steve McCabe*
- *Councillor Dan Yake*

CARRIED

## NOTICE OF MOTION

## COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Councillor Yake (Ward 1):

- Blacksmith Shop – He and Kate will be meeting with Darren Jones, CBO, to discuss upcoming plans and what the Committee is looking to in the future.

Councillor Hern (Ward 3):

- Cultural Roundtable - The January 16<sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled due to weather
- Arthur & District Chamber of Commerce is working on an Easter egg hunt event
- The publication of the Wellington North Guide has previously been funded equally by the Mount Forest and Arthur Chambers of Commerce. This year Arthur has a vision of moving to an electronic version and Mount Forest wants to continue with a print version. The Mount Forest Chamber is slimming down the guide and looking to rebrand and coordinate with the BIA.

Councillor McCabe (Ward 4):

- Rural skills day cancelled because of weather and has been postponed to a future date to be determined. Councillor McCabe thanked Dale Small, EDO, for putting together some promotional items for those who will be attending.

Mayor Lennox

- The Province is organizing consultations on conservation authorities. Councillor McCabe will attend a consultation in Barrie on Friday morning. Mayor Lennox indicated there will be webinars on drainage that he may participate in. Some conservation authorities across the province have taken on roles outside of their scope and there is a feeling that there is a disconnect of services offered and accountability.
- Thank you to Adam McNabb and the team for their work on the county wide IT process.
- Press Release regarding Wellington North Launches Digital Main Street Squad.
- Council will participate in Bowl for Big Brothers Big Sisters on February 23.



## BY-LAWS

- a. By-law Number 007-20 being a Provisional Drain By-law to provide for the construction of Arthur Drain 2 (Martin) Drainage Works
- b. By-law Number 008-20 being a by-law to amend By-law 122-19 being a by-law to establish a Board of Directors and Membership for the Business Improvement Area within Arthur, Wellington North
- c. By-law Number 009-20 being a by-law to amend By-law 116-19 being a by-law to establish a Board of Directors and Membership for the Business Improvement Area within Mount Forest, Wellington North
- d. By-law Number 010-20 being a by-law to amend By-law 120-19 a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings of the Business Improvement Areas in Wellington North
- e. By-law Number 011-20 being a Provisional Drain By-law to provide for the construction of Murphy Drainage Works
- f. By-law Number 012-20 being a by-law to exempt lands from Part Lot Control (170 Miller St.)
- g. By-law Number 013-20 being a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings of the Recreation, Parks and Leisure Committee of Council for Wellington North
- h. By-law Number 014-20 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Southgate and the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North

RESOLUTION: 2020-030

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT By-law Number 008-20, 009-20, 010-20, 012-20, 013-20 and 014-20 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted*

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION: 2020-031

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT By-law Number 007-20 and 011-20 be read a First, Second time and provisionally adopted.*

CARRIED.

## CONFIRMING BY-LAW NUMBER 015-20

RESOLUTION: 2020-032

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT By-law Number 015-20 being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North at its Regular Meeting held on January 27, 2020 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.*

CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION: 2020-033

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Regular Council meeting of January 27, 2020 be adjourned at 8:53 p.m.*

CARRIED

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CLERK

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MAYOR