

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH  
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 24, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.  
CLOSED SESSION TO FOLLOW OPEN SESSION

VIA WEB CONFERENCING <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKey1k8bh9Q&feature=youtu.be>

**Members Present:**

**Mayor:** Andrew Lennox  
**Councillors:** Sherry Burke  
Lisa Hern  
Steve McCabe

**Member Absent:**

Dan Yake

**Staff Present:**

**Chief Administrative Officer:** Michael Givens  
**Director of Legislative Services/Clerk:** Karren Wallace  
**Deputy Clerk:** Catherine Conrad  
**Director of Finance:** Adam McNabb  
**Economic Development Officer:** Dale Small  
**Chief Building Official:** Darren Jones  
**Director of Operations:** Matthew Aston  
**Community Recreation Coordinator:** Mandy Jones  
**Recreation Services Manager:** Tom Bowden  
**Director of Fire Services:** Chris Harrow  
**Fire Prevention Officer:** Marco Guidotti

**CALLING TO ORDER**

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

RESOLUTION: 2020-251

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Agenda for the August 24, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.*

CARRIED

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

No pecuniary interest declared.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND PUBLIC MEETING**

1. Regular Meeting of Council, August 10, 2020

2. Public Meeting, August 10, 2020

RESOLUTION: 2020-252

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council and the Public Meeting held on August 10, 2020 be adopted as circulated.*

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL**

No business arising from previous meetings.

## DEPUTATIONS

1. Sameer Mohyyudin

- Request to waive water and sewage fees for 125 Berkshire Drive, Arthur for the period February 25, 2019 to July 31, 2020

Mr. Mohyyudin appeared via video conferencing to request that Council waive water and sewer fees for the month of March 2020 to July 31, 2020 as his tenants left on February 25 and due to Covid 19 he was unable to find another tenant; making it financially difficult for him to pay the bill.

Council did not grant Mr. Mohiuddin's request; stating that the majority of the water and sewer charges are related to the infrastructure and continues whether the water moves through the pipes to his house or not. The services were not disconnected during that time and continued to be available. Council suggested that payment plan options could be set up.

## IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

3a, 4a, 6b, 7a

## ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION: 2020-253

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT all items listed under Items For Consideration on the August 24, 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 the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Mount Forest District Chamber of Commerce Meeting held on July 14, 2020 and the July 2020 Financials.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the correspondence dated August 12, 2020 from Triton Engineering Services Limited regarding Maple Ridge Subdivision;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Preliminary Acceptance be granted for Stage I and II municipal services for the Maple Ridge Subdivision, with the guarantee and maintenance period commencing as of July 31, 2020.*

*AND FURTHER THAT the current securities be reduced to \$445,000.00, reflecting 100% of the remaining works and 20% of the completed works as per the Subdivision Agreement, subject to confirmation that all outstanding accounts with respect to the development have been paid in full and that the Developer is not in default of its obligations pursuant to its agreement(s) with the municipality.*

*THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Report EDO 2020-019 Community Improvement Program;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council approve grants as follows:*

- \$ 975.00 Façade Improvement Grant for new signage at 183 George Street in Arthur, home of The Lost Tattoo.
- \$1,148.00 Façade Improvement Grant for new signage at 360 Main Street North in Mount Forest, home of Wrap Stars

*THAT Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive correspondence dated August 24, 2020 from the Mount Forest Business Improvement Association (BIA);*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council supports in principle the display of gold bikes in downtown Mount Forest to support childhood cancer awareness for the month of September 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Cheque Distribution Report dated August 17, 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report TR 2020-14 being a report on the Federal / Provincial Safe Restart Agreement for information.*

*FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North endorse the staff recommendation to deposit funds, once received, into the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve account until full-year of COVID-19 related costs and pressures have been realized.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report DFC 2020-003 Establishing and Regulating Fire Service By-law;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North approve the updated Establishing and Regulating By-Law for the Wellington North Fire Services.*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the By-law;*

*AND FURTHER THAT By-law 034-018 be repealed.*

CARRIED

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

RESOLUTION: 2020-254

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2020-09 being the Building Permit Review for the period ending July 31, 2020.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-255

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT Council of the Corporation of Township of Wellington North receive for information Report EDO 2020-018 being a report on the Owen Sound to Guelph Voyago inter-community Bus Service*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the licensing agreements with the City of Owen Sound allowing the bus service to utilize Municipal Parking Lots in Arthur & Mount Forest as pick-up and drop-off points.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-256

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report DFC 2020-004 being a report on the Simplified Risk Assessment.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-257

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information the Wellington North Power Inc., Quarterly Newsletter – Quarter 2: April 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> 2020.*  
CARRIED

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

No notice of motion was tabled.

#### COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Councillor Hern (Ward 3):

- Mount Forest Chamber of Commerce has hired Stacey Stevenson as their new administrator.

Councillor McCabe (Ward 4):

- The Shop Local street sale held on Saturday; August 22 in Mount Forest was incredible. Thanks to the BIA, Chamber of Commerce and EDO Dale Small. He is looking forward to the August 29 event to be held in Arthur.

Mayor Lennox:

- The Shop Local events have been well attended. Many people have commented that they are social events.
- The Arthur Agricultural Society is considering holding a parade on the weekend that the fall fair would normally be held and asked if Council would participate. He will verify the status of the orders regarding Covid related to parades.

#### BY-LAWS

- a. By-law Number 069-20 being a by-law to establish and regulate a program in the municipality which must include public education with respect to fire safety and certain components of fire prevention and to provide such other fire protection services as it determines may be necessary in accordance with its needs and circumstances and to repeal By-law Number 037-18
- b. By-law Number 070-20 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Licensing Agreement between The Corporation of the Township of Wellington North and the City of Owen Sound (bus stops 140 Elgin Street, Mount Forest and 156 George Street, Arthur)
- c. By-law Number 071-20 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Winter Maintenance Agreement between Integrated Maintenance and Operations Service Inc. operating under the name of "Owen Sound Highway Maintenance Limited" (IMOS) and the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North

RESOLUTION: 2020-258

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT By-law Number 069-20, 070-20 and 071-20 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.  
CARRIED

## CLOSED MEETING SESSION

The meeting is closed pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, specifically:

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

RESOLUTION: 2020-259

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North go into a meeting at 7:41 p.m. that is closed to the public under subsection 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, specifically:*

*(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.*

CARRIED

### 1. REPORTS

- RPL 2020-014 being a report on negotiations by the municipality with a local board

### 2. REVIEW OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

- June 22, 2020
- June 29, 2020

### 3. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING SESSION

RESOLUTION: 2020-260

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North rise from a closed meeting session at 8:24 p.m.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-261

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report RPL 2020-014 being a report on negotiations by the municipality with a local board.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-262

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the Closed Meeting Minutes of the June 22, 2020 and June 29, 2020 Council Meetings.*

CARRIED

**CONFIRMING BY-LAW NUMBER 072-20**

RESOLUTION: 2020-263

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT By-law Number 072-20 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 August 24, 2020 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.*

CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION: 2020-264

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT the Regular Council meeting of August 24, 2020 be adjourned at 8:25 p.m.*

CARRIED

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CLERK

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MAYOR