

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH  
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – NOVEMBER 23, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.  
VIA WEB CONFERENCING <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pTp6y1cd-Xw>

**Members Present:**

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

**Staff Present:**

<b>Chief Administrative Officer:</b>	<b>Michael Givens</b>
<b>Director of Legislative Services/Clerk:</b>	<b>Karren Wallace</b>
<b>Deputy Clerk:</b>	<b>Catherine Conrad</b>
<b>Director of Finance:</b>	<b>Adam McNabb</b>
<b>Economic Development Officer:</b>	<b>Dale Small</b>
<b>Chief Building Official:</b>	<b>Darren Jones</b>
<b>Human Resources Manager:</b>	<b>Chanda Riggi</b>
<b>Director of Fire Services:</b>	<b>Chris Harrow</b>
<b>Director of Operations:</b>	<b>Matthew Aston</b>
<b>Community Recreation Coordinator:</b>	<b>Mandy Jones</b>
<b>Manager, Environmental and Developmental Services:</b>	<b>Corey Schmidt</b>
<b>Manager of Planning and Environment:</b>	<b>Linda Redmond</b>
<b>Planner:</b>	<b>Matthieu Daoust</b>

Prior to calling the meeting to order Mayor Lennox provided a statement and update on Covid-19 in our community.

**CALLING TO ORDER**

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

RESOLUTION: 2020-359

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Agenda for the November 23, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.*

CARRIED

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

No pecuniary interest disclosed.

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Adam McNabb, Director of Finance
  - 2021 Budget Presentation

The presentation reviewed the Draft 2021 Capital Program previous summary discussed at the Council Meeting held on November 9, 2020 along with the projects that will be deferred based on those discussions. Projects included in the Draft 2021 Capital Program included Council directed projects, 20 in 20 initiatives, development driven projects, and the various department projects. Project costs, funding models and the impact on the levy were considered. Council direction regarding the Arthur Community Centre icemaking piping rehabilitation was requested.

Council directed that the Arthur Community Centre icemaking piping rehabilitation project proceed using the tax stabilization reserve.

A budget public meeting will be held during the December 14, 2020 Regular Council Meeting with the budget by-law being adopted at the first Regular Council meeting held in January.

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

RESOLUTION: 2020-360

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North recess the November 23, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council for the purpose of holding a Public Meeting under the Planning Act:*

- *Public Meeting, Cachet Developments (Arthur) Inc.*

CARRIED

#### **RESUME REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION: 2020-361

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North resume the November 23, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council at 8:26 p.m.*

CARRIED

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

1. Public Meeting, November 9, 2020
2. Regular Meeting of Council, November 9, 2020

RESOLUTION: 2020-362

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the minutes of the Public Meeting and the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 9, 2020 be adopted as amended.*

*County Council Update – reference to cell two at Riverstown Landfill be changed from:*

*“Cell two is basically ready to go. It has been excavated to fifteen feet below grade, which is well below the water table.”*

*to*

*“Cell two is basically ready to go. It has been excavated to fifteen feet down, which is well above the water table.”*

CARRIED

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL**

No business arising from previous meetings of Council.

#### **IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

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

RESOLUTION: 2020-363

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT all items listed under Items for Consideration on the November 23, 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 October 14, 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Safe Communities Wellington County Leadership Table meeting held on September 16, 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Cheque Distribution Report dated November 13, 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report TR 2020-17 being a report on Development Charge Interest Rate application;*

*FURTHER THAT Council adopt a new Council Policy entitled "Development Charge Interest Rate Policy" to establish a framework for determining the interest rate that can be applied to Development Charges for certain development types;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council approve and authorize a Development Charges Alternative Payment Agreement template to provide for the alternative payment of Development Charges for developments that qualify for deferred Development Charge payments to be made under Section 27 of the Development Charges Act, 1997 S.O. 1997, c. 27, as amended; and to delegate the authority to enter into such Agreements to the Township Treasurer or delegate.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report TR 2020-18 being a report on the external auditor's (RLB LLP) audit plan for the 2020 calendar year;*

*FURTHER THAT Council 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.*

CARRIED

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

RESOLUTION: 2020-364

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the revised O.Reg 453/07 Water System Financial Plan No.113-301A (2021-2026) and Wastewater Financial Plan prepared by DFA Infrastructure International Inc. dated November 13, 2020;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the 2020 Water and Wastewater Rate Study prepared by DFA Infrastructure International Inc. dated November 13, 2020;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to post a copy of the revised O.Reg 453/07 Water System Financial Plan No.113-301A (2021-2026) and Wastewater System Financial Plan dated November 13, 2020, on the Township website;*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to submit a copy of the revised O.Reg 453/07 Water System Financial Plan No. 113-301A (2021-2026) and Wastewater System Financial Plan dated November 13, 2020 to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the resolution of Council approving the revised O.Reg 453/07 Water System Financial Plan No. 113-301A (2021-2026) and Wastewater System Financial Plan dated November 13, 2020, be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, as required, as part of the municipal drinking water licence renewal application.*

CARRIED

## NOTICE OF MOTION

None

## COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Councillor Hern (Ward 3):

- New Christmas lights have been installed in Arthur and look amazing.
- Arthur BIA held their first General Meeting virtually with many members attending
- Arthur Chamber of Commerce is considering welcome packages for new residents and a Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds contest.
- Mount Forest Chamber of Commerce is doing a big media push.
- The Chambers of Commerce held their awards events. Both received a record number of nominations.
- The Shop Wellington North portal has not been getting a lot of action and they are trying to do a social media push to promote it.

Councillor McCabe (Ward 4):

- A special meeting of the Saugeen Conservation Authority was held November 19, 2020 to discuss Bill 229 being enacted regarding the future of conservation authorities at stake.
- The Nuclear Waste Management Organization, in conjunction with SVCA, is offering grants to private property owners for water well upgrading and decommissioning within the watershed area. He requested that these items be posted to the website and sent to the Town of Minto.
- Arthur Opti-Mrs did a great job with the “Stuff The Bus” event. Collected items will be distributed through Arthur Lions Club Christmas Hampers program.

Mayor Lennox:

- Mayor Lennox sat in on a conference call with Dr. Mercer, Medical Officer of Health, Mayors and CAOs of the municipalities within the County. The numbers in Wellington County are rising quickly with the virus being transmitted in our community. They are looking for support to promote changing behaviour and moving from a state of complacency to make sure everyone is doing what is required to help slow the spread. One of the actions coming out to the meeting is the County funding an advertising campaign through radio. Mayor Lennox will be recording an ad to run on The River and trying to take on further communications related to getting the message out to reinforce the behaviour that will keep everybody safe. Mayor Lennox asked Councillors to share ideas to help us stay in the orange zone and not move to a red zone with further restriction. The Province has announced more fines around public health restrictions.

**CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

RESOLUTION: 2020-365

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT By-law Number 099-20 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 November 23, 2020 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.*

CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION: 2020-366

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Regular Council meeting of November 23, 2020 be adjourned at 9:38 p.m.*

CARRIED

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CLERK

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MAYOR