

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.
CLOSED SESSION TO FOLLOW OPEN SESSION
VIA WEB CONFERENCING <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LehSXibpYHY>**

Members Present:

Mayor:	Andrew Lennox
Councillors:	Sherry Burke
	Lisa Hern
	Steve McCabe
	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
Human Resources Manager:	Chanda Riggi

CALLING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: 2020-279

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Agenda for the September 28, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

No pecuniary interest declared.

PRESENTATIONS

1. The People and Information Network (pin)
 - Volunteer Engagement

Mandy Jones, Community Recreation Coordinator, provided information regarding the process taken to give consideration of a volunteer recognition program, costing and ideas of how the Township could support a recruiting process. Council entered into an agreement with The People and Information Network of Guelph on November 4, 2019 for the purpose of completing a volunteer engagement project to provide a better understanding of the volunteer dynamic in our community, and determine the level of support our service clubs and organization required. The three main pillars of the project were volunteer engagement, recruitment and retention; volunteer management and succession planning initiatives; and a volunteer recognition program.

Emily Vincent, Program Coordinator, and Kim Cusimano, Interim Executive Director, presented the results of a survey regarding volunteering in Wellington North. 134 individuals confirmed they volunteered and/or worked in Wellington North with 86%

of respondents volunteering in the past 12 months. People volunteer with social service organizations, non-profit agencies or charities; sports or other community organizations; churches and service clubs. People find out about volunteering through word or mouth; community groups such as schools, library, or church; and the internet or online. People volunteer to contribute to their community, so they can use their skills and experience, and to network or meet people. The reasons people do not volunteer are they do not have enough time, don't know how to become involved, cannot make a long-term commitment, they give instead of volunteering, or because no one asked them. Barriers to volunteering include feeling unwelcome, not enough time, money, and not knowing how to become involved. Ways to facilitate volunteerism include hosting an annual event, annual awards program and training opportunities. Awareness or coordination of volunteer needs include a centralized repository listing organizations that work with volunteers, volunteer opportunities and training tools and resources for both volunteers and leaders. A more organized approach to recruitment would attract more people to volunteer representing a greater diversity of citizens. Offering volunteer support, networking and training would increase involvement of community members and result in stronger and more dedicated volunteers. Hosting events and offering awards help volunteers to feel appreciated and valued. Volunteers that support the growth and development of groups, organizations and projects benefit and add value to the community.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND PUBLIC MEETING

1. Regular Meeting of Council, September 14, 2020

RESOLUTION: 2020-280

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 14, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

No business arising from previous meetings.

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

4b, 5a

ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION: 2020-281

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT all items listed under Items for Consideration on the September 28, 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 Safe Communities Wellington County Leadership Table Meeting held on June 17, 2020.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Arthur Chamber of Commerce Directors Meeting held on September 9, 2020.

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report DC 2020-027 being a report on Kings Court Apartments Inc., Draft Site Plan Agreement – 187 King Street East, Mount Forest;
AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign the By-law to enter into a Site Plan Agreement with Kings Court Apartments Inc.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report EDO 2020-023 Community Improvement Program;
AND FURTHER THAT Council approve grants as follows:*

- \$2,500.00 Façade Improvement Grant to support improvements to the exterior façade at 222 George Street in Arthur.*
- Up to \$2,500.00 Façade Improvement Grant for new signage at 7999 Wellington Road 109, Unit 2 in Arthur, new home to Futuristic Fitness.*

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Cheque Distribution Report dated September 21, 2020.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Press Release, dated September 21, 2020, The North Wellington partnership Township of Mapleton, Wellington North and the Minto Chamber of Commerce, receives \$26,695 Digital Main Street Grant to help main street businesses use digital tools more effectively.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region DWSP Newsletter, Issue #11 – September, 2020.

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Guelph Wellington Crime Stoppers Newsletter, The Informant, Fall 2020, 3rd Quarter.

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION

RESOLUTION: 2020-282

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Administration, Finance and Human Resources Committee Report from Ken DeHart, County Treasurer, dated September 15, 2020, regarding Aggregate Resource Property Valuation and Advocacy Report.

CARRIED

Council directed staff to bring a resolution of support to the October 13, 2020 Regular Council Meeting regarding endorsement of the County of Wellington Aggregate Resource Property Valuation and Advocacy Report.

RESOLUTION: 2020-283

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report HR 2020-002 being a report on staff working from home;

AND FURTHER THAT Council endorse the Working from Home Policy.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Yake brought forward the following:

1. Request for staff to bring forward a financial report regarding phase one of the Arthur Waste Water Treatment Plant. Direction was given to staff to tie this information in with the Quarterly report from CIMA.
2. Request for a report outlining what will happen if residents are not buying into the communications for the County yard waste and leaf pickup program. Staff indicated that the intent is that we transition to the County program and to observe the effectiveness of the program. Township road staff will monitor catch basins to ensure that they are not blocked. The Township could allocate funds to coordinate communications with the County to educate residents about the new program.
3. Request a report related to issues, current and future, regarding dust suppression, speed of traffic passing people walking along the road and stones flying from passing traffic on the northern section of London Road.

COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Councillor Hern (Ward 3):

- Arthur BIA met September 16. Letters were sent to the BIA members to inform them who the directors are. The large decorative snowflakes obtained through the RED grant arrived, noting storage will need to be determined and storage for benches and other items will also be considered. The next meeting will be held on October 7 and it is expected that the Connecting Link enhancements will be voted on. The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for November 21.
- Cultural roundtable was cancelled in September. The next meeting will be held on October 15th.
- The Metz Pumpkin Contest was held on Saturday, September 26. Centre Wellington Mayor Kelly Linton won first place, Michael Chong, MP for Wellington Halton Hills, won second place. Councillor Hern's pumpkin weighed 70 pounds and won the smallest pumpkin award. The Metz group thanked Wellington North for sponsoring the event.

Councillor McCabe (Ward 4):

- Trail subcommittee met in Arthur. Trail usage has increased the past few months. Through Councillor Hern's involvement with the Wellington Federation of Agriculture there will be information signs regarding points of interest such as crops that are being grown. Mount Forest trail group is looking for volunteers. Councillor McCabe thanked the volunteers that clean and maintain the trails.
- Recreation, Parks and Leisure meeting will be held on October 6 at 8:30 am
- Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority will hold a budget meeting this Thursday at 10 am.

- Councillor McCabe attended the virtual Physician Recruitment meeting this afternoon. The Rural Skills Day has been postponed until next year. Dr. Paul Jones has two doctors assisting him. He is hoping one of them will stay on.

BY-LAWS

- a. By-law Number 078-20 being a Provisional Drain By-law to provide for the repair of the Vos Drainage Works

RESOLUTION: 2020-284

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT By-law Number 078-20 being a Provisional Drain By-law to provide for the repair of the Vos Drainage Works be read a First, Second time and provisionally enacted.

CARRIED

- b. By-law Number 079-20 being a by-law to amend By-law Number 060-15, being a by-law to prescribe speed limits for various highways under the jurisdiction of The Corporation of the Township of Wellington North
- c. By-law Number 080-20 being a by-law to authorize a Site Plan Agreement with King's Court Apartments Inc.
- d. By-law Number 081-20 being a by-law to amend By-law 053-07 being a by-law to appoint a Livestock Valuator
- e. By-law Number 082-20 being a by-law to amend By-law 99-10 being a by-law to appoint Fence Viewers and fix their remuneration
- f. By-law Number 083-20 being a by-law to appoint a Poundkeeper for the Township of Wellington North and to establish the duties of the Poundkeeper and repeal By-law 068-16

RESOLUTION: 2020-285

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT By-law Number 079-20, 080-20, 081-20, 082-20 and 083-20 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:

- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

RESOLUTION: 2020-286

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North go into a meeting at 8:23 p.m. that is closed to the public under subsection 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, specifically:

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED

1. REPORTS

a. Report EDO 2020-022 Wellington North Industrial Land

b. Report CAO 2020-007 We the North Fire Service – Status Update 1

2. REVIEW OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

a. August 24, 2020

3. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING SESSION

RESOLUTION: 2020-287

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 9:16 p.m.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-288

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report EDO 2020-022 Wellington North Industrial Land;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the confidential direction given in closed session.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-289

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CAO 2020-007 We the North Fire Service – Status Update 1;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the confidential direction given in closed session.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2020-290

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the Closed Meeting Minutes of the August 24, 2020 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION: 2020-291

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT By-law Number 084-20 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 September 28, 2020 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION: 2020-292

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Regular Council meeting of September 28, 2020 be adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

CARRIED

CLERK

MAYOR