

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH  
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 22, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.  
VIA WEB CONFERENCING <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QTCoQV5nwd0>

**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  
**Community Recreation Coordinator:** Mandy Jones  
**Manager of Recreation Services:** Tom Bowden  
**Chief Building Official:** Darren Jones  
**Director of Fire Services/Fire Chief:** Chris Harrow  
**Human Resources Manager:** Chanda Riggi  
**Manager, Environment and Development Services:** Corey Schmidt  
**Manager of Planning and Environment:** Linda Redmond  
**Planner:** Matthieu Daoust

**CALLING TO ORDER**

Mayor Lennox Called the meeting to order.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

RESOLUTION: 2021-082

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Agenda for the March 22, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.*

CARRIED

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

No pecuniary interest disclosed.

**COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE**

Steve O'Neill, Wellington County Councillor, Ward 4

With two years left in the term of County Council, Councillor O'Neill advised he will continue with the Solid Waste Committee and also has been appointed to the Social Services Committee. Leaf and yard waste pick up will begin in April throughout the County with monthly pickups April through November. Recycle Coach App for your phone or tablet will help you with your solid waste scheduling questions and will remind you when organics, recyclables and garbage pickups are due and will have leaf and yard waste pickups as well.

The Province has initiated a Provincial day of action on litter on the second Tuesday of May. This year that is May 11. The County is supporting individuals and groups that participate in spring roadside clean up events by waiving tipping, empty waste containers will be provided,

events will be promoted, and information resources will be provided. Wellington County's blue box contamination rate is between 3 and 5%, which is extremely low when compared to most municipalities that often run up to 30%. Our residents are to be congratulated on their excellent recycling efforts.

The county has seconded 15 employees to Public Health to help with the Covid vaccine inoculation clinics. They are mostly doing data entry during checking in and out at the clinics. Another 10 employees are available on evenings and weekends. Library staff have been assisting residents with preregistering for a vaccine appointment. The next pop-up clinics will be held at the Mount Forest Sportsplex will be held on Thursday, April 1st and at the Arthur Community Centre on Tuesday, April 13th. Those clinics are set up to administer 250 to 300 vaccines. The first clinics held vaccinated between 130 and 140 people each. The main health clinics are being held at the Fergus Sportsplex, West End Arena in Guelph and the Alder arena in Orangeville. Other pop-up clinics that County employees have been working at include Drayton and Palmerston. As vaccines become more readily available larger clinics will be held.

Roads and bridges will be under construction throughout the road construction season. The four bridges east of Arthur on 109 are at the EA process. There will be work completed on two bridges west of Arthur on 109 that border Wellington North.

A Take-Out Food in Wellington County map has been created through Economic Development. Many local restaurants are participating. Any restaurant wanting to be added can submit their information on the website.

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-083

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North recess the March 22, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council for the purpose of holding a Public Meeting under the Planning Act:*

- *Garrid and Eden Schlueter, Minor Variance*
- *Kings Court Apartments Inc., Minor Variance*
- *CCR Holdings Wells St Inc., Zoning By-law Amendment*
- *Karen and Michael Drabyk, Zoning By-law Amendment*
- *David, Margaret and Roger McAlister, Zoning By-law Amendment*

CARRIED

Mayor Lennox lost connection 7:12 p.m. and rejoined the Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-084

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North resume the March 22, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council at 8:28 p.m.*

CARRIED

## PASSAGE OF BY-LAWS ARISING FROM PUBLIC MEETING

- a. By-law Number 033-21 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North. (Part Lot 33, EOSR, Division 3 & 4 with a civic address of 8593 Highway 6)

RESOLUTION: 2021-085

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT By-law Number 033-21 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted. (Part Lot 33, EOSR, Division 3 & 4 with a civic address of 8593 Highway 6 – Karen and Michael Drabyk)*

CARRIED

- b. By-law Number 034-21 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North. (Part Lot 18, Concession 2 with civic address 8737 Line 2, Arthur - David, Margaret and Roger McAlister)

RESOLUTION: 2021-086

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT By-law Number 034-21 being a by-law to amend By-law 66-01, being a Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted. (Part Lot 18, Concession 2 with civic address 8737 Line 2, Arthur - David, Margaret and Roger McAlister)*

CARRIED

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND PUBLIC MEETING

1. Regular Meeting of Council, March 8, 2021
2. Public Meeting, March 8, 2021

RESOLUTION: 2021-087

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council and Public Meeting held on March 8, 2021 be adopted as circulated.*

CARRIED

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

No business arising from previous meetings.

## DEPUTATIONS

- a. Axy Leigh
  - Coyote Cull

Mr. Leigh disclosed that he is a resident of West Grey, but he spends a lot of time in Mount Forest. He provided some information on coyotes statistics, a Chicago study, ramifications with culling coyotes on other vermin and animals and he urged Council to consider options other than a cull, such as an information strategy to the public on how to co-exist with coyotes.

**IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

4d, 5a, 6a

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-088

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT all items listed under Items For Consideration on the March 22, 2021 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 Regular Meeting held on February 9, 2021 and the February 28, 2021 Financials.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Mount Forest Business Improvement Area Meeting held on March 9, 2021.*

*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 March 10, 2021.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2021-03 being the Building Permit Review for the period ending February 28th, 2021.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report EDO 2021-009 being a report on the Wellington North Electronic Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCO);*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the extension of the current EVCO partnership agreement with Arntjen Solar for one more year.*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign the By-law to enter into the extension agreement.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report EDO 2021-010 The Saugeen Economy 2nd Half 2020.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Cheque Distribution Report dated March 12, 2021.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report TR 2021-007 being a report on the purchase of a new office equipment appliance and office space redesign;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North approve the purchase of a mail folding / stuffing machine, and office redesign works detailed in this report utilizing Municipal Modernization funds held in reserve to facilitate the purchase.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report TR 2021-008 being an update report on 2020 Council Remuneration.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Randy Pettapiece, MPP, Perth-Wellington, News Release, Perth-Wellington municipalities to receive nearly \$3 million in additional support.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the County of Wellington Planning Committee Report, dated March 11, 2021, regarding Comment's the Government's Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt.*

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the PIN - The People and Information Network, Media Release dated March 17, 2021, 'Board Leadership – Community Gain' Local nonprofits and charities welcoming new Board Members.*

CARRIED

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-089

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report TR 2021-002 being a report on the 2021 Municipal Insurance Renewal*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council endorses the staff recommendation to entertain insurance deductible increases, seek a marketing of the Township's insurance portfolio for the 2022 calendar year, and direct staff to advise the Township's insurance broker of proposed direction for 2021.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2021-090

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report OPS 2021-015 being a report on the Township's sewage allocation policy;*

*AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law for the sewage allocation policy at a future meeting of Council.*

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 2021-091

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

*THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information CLK Report 2021-010 being a report on nuisance coyotes.*

CARRIED

Staff were directed to post Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry information regarding nuisance coyotes to the Township website and on social media. Once the Ontario Federation of Agricultural has provided their position, staff will bring the matter back to Council for further discussion.

#### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

No notice of motion tabled.

#### **COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT**

Councillor Burke (Ward 2):

- Mount Forest Fireworks Festival Committee has decided not to hold their festival in 2021 and will be considering holding media events.
- Mount Forest Business Improvement Area met last week.
- Mount Forest Aquatics Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee will meet next week.

Councillor Hern (Ward 3):

- Arthur Business Improvement Area is officially a member of the Ontario Business Improvement Area Association. This will provide them some support.
- The Arthur Connecting Link Project is going to tender.
- Cultural Roundtable meeting was held. They are updating their Cultural Plan.

#### **BY-LAWS**

- a. By-law Number 029-21 being a by-law to authorize the sale of real property being Part Lot 32, Conc 1, being Parts 1 and 2, 61R-21920 Township of Wellington North (Arbro Excavating 2001 Ltd., Parcel 1)
- b. By-law Number 030-21 being a by-law to authorize the sale of real property being Part Lot 32, Conc 1, being Parts 3 and 4, 61R-21920 Township of Wellington North (Arbro Excavating 2001 Ltd., Parcel 2)
- c. By-law Number 031-21 being a by-law to authorize a Sewer Allocation Agreement with 2073022 Ontario Inc.
- d. By-law Number 032-21 being a by-law to authorize the extension of an agreement between Arntjen Solar North America Inc. and The Corporation of the Township of Wellington North

RESOLUTION: 2021-092

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

*THAT By-law Number 029-21, 030-21, 031-21 and 032-21 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.*

CARRIED

#### **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

RESOLUTION: 2021-093

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

*THAT By-law Number 035-21 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 March 22, 2021 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.*

CARRIED

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION: 2021-094

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

*THAT the Regular Council meeting of March 22, 2021 be adjourned at 9:32 p.m.*

CARRIED

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CLERK

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MAYOR