

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 17, 2022 AT 2:00 P.M.
VIA WEB CONFERENCING <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y9GW9beHKR0>

Members Present:

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

Staff Present:

Interim Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Building Official: Darren Jones
Interim Chief Administrative Officer/Director of Operations: Matthew Aston
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk: Karren Wallace
Deputy Clerk: Catherine Conrad
Director of Finance/Treasurer: Farhad Hossain
Deputy Treasurer: Mary Jo Marshall
Community Recreation Coordinator: Mandy Jones
Manager of Recreation Services: Tom Bowden
Human Resources Manager: Amy Tollefson

CALLING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: 2022-214

Moved: Councillor McCabe

Seconded: Councillor Burke

THAT the Agenda for the June 17, 2022 Special Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Hern declared a pecuniary interest with the transportation item in the report as her spouse is employed with one of the transportation options.

ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION

1. OPERATIONS

- a. Report RPL 2022-012 Mount Forest Lion Roy Grant Pool

RESOLUTION: 2022-215

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North receive Report RPL 2022-012 being a report on the Mount Forest Lion Roy Grant Pool;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff not to pursue the pool liner repair at the Roy Grant Pool in Mount Forest;

AND FURTHER THAT Council acknowledges without completing repairs, the Roy Grant Pool will not be able to be open for the 2022 season;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to allocate \$200,000 in a reserve to the new Mount Forest Outdoor Pool and Aquatics Centre project, funded by the Township's Capital Reinvestment Reserve Fund;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to split the two-hour afternoon public swim to two one-hour sessions in Arthur to allow more users to access the pool.

CARRIED

Councillor Hern removed herself from the meeting by shutting off her camera and microphone prior to the discussion regarding transportation. She had previously declared a conflict with the transportation item as her spouse is employed with one of the transportation options. Due to technical issues Council Hern's image appeared to be frozen in the meeting video, however it is confirmed by the Clerk that she was not part of the discussion.

Council discussed the need to subsidize transportation for patrons from Mount Forest to the Arthur pool. Options considered included busing, Guelph Owen Sound Transit service and Wellington County Ride Well transit service. Concern was expressed regarding youth using any of the transportation options regarding liability. Permission slips would be required to use the transportation model without supervision. The question was raised as to what to do in a situation should a youth use transit to go visit friends in Arthur and don't return to the bus. A passport system for private transport was discussed. Mount Forest residents would have the passport stamped when they enter the Arthur Pool and at the end of the season, they would submit their passport and the municipality subsidize them a predetermined amount for their travel.

Council agreed that a subsidized transportation option is needed and directed staff to bring a report regarding transportation options to the June 27, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

Councillor Hern returned to the meeting.

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION: 2022-216

Moved: Councillor Burke

Seconded: Councillor McCabe

THAT By-law Number 067-22 being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North at its Special Meeting held on June 17, 2022 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION: 2022-217

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Special Council meeting of June 17, 2022 be adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK