

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
JANUARY 25, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was held in the Municipal Office Council Chambers, Kenilworth.

Members Present:

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

Staff Present:

**CAO/Deputy Clerk: Michael Givens
Clerk: Karren Wallace
Executive Assistant: Cathy Conrad
Director of Public Works: Matthew Aston**

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order.

SINGING OF O' CANADA

PASSING AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION 2016-031

Moved by: Councillor Burke

Seconded by: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Agenda for the January 25, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST(S) AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

No pecuniary interest declared.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

RESOLUTION 2016-032

Moved by: Councillor McCabe

Seconded by: Councillor Burke

THAT the minutes of the Court of Revision and the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 11, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Resolution for support of Bill 36 being an Act to Amend the Trespass to Property Act

RESOLUTION 2016-033

Moved by: Councillor Burke

Seconded by: Councillor McCabe

WHEREAS the Township of Wellington North recently passed a resolution to permit Sunday Gun Hunting in Wellington North be effective April 1, 2016;

AND WHEREAS in the process of public consultation on permitting Sunday Gun Hunting in the municipality, the issue of trespassing on private property by the general public and hunters was raised;

AND WHEREAS a private member's Bill 36, being an Act to amend the Trespass to Property Act has received first and second reading in the legislature and has now been referred to the Standing Committee on Justice Policy;

AND WHEREAS the amendments to the Act in Bill 36 include amending fines ranging from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 under Section 2(1) b) and increasing fines to \$25,000.00 under Section 12 (1) of the Act;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Wellington North hereby requests that the Minister of the Attorney General support the provisions in Bill 36 to discourage trespassing on private property;

And FURTHER THAT copies of this resolution be sent to the Standing Committee on Justice Policy, the Minister of the Attorney General, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, all municipalities in Ontario, MPP Sylvia Jones, Dufferin-Caledon, MPP Randy Pettapiece Perth- Wellington, MPP Ted Arnott Wellington-Halton Hills, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture and the Ontario Federation of Angler's and Hunters.

CARRIED

Draft letter to Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters requesting education on better behaviour of members

RESOLUTION 2016-034

Moved by: Councillor McCabe

Seconded by: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the draft letter to the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters requesting education on better behaviour of members with regard to trespassing on private property.

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DELEGATIONS

Lynda White, V.P., Alt Treat Farms Limited
Paul Smith, General Manager, All Treat Farms Limited
- Business update for All Treat Farms Limited

Lynda White, V.P, All Treat Farms Limited appeared before Council to announce that as of January 25, 2016 All Treat Farms is now owned by Walker Environmental Group. Paul Smith will remain as General Manager. Ms. White introduced Mike Watt, Executive Vice-President of Walker Environmental Group. Mr. Watt provided background information about Walker Environmental Group and Walker Industries Inc. Mr. Watt explained that they feel there is a good fit between the two companies. There will be no major changes to the operation.

Tom Sullivan, Mount Forest Group Sponsoring Syrian Refugee Family
- Inform Council on progress and request support

Mr. Sullivan appeared before Council on behalf of a group of churches, service clubs and individuals in Mount Forest that are working to host a refugee family through the Mennonite Central Committee. The group needs to raise 75% of the \$28,000 required to support a family for one year before they can start working with the Mennonite Central Committee. The group is about \$5,000 short of the \$21,000 required and is requesting a loan from the Township of Wellington North.

RESOLUTION 2016-035

Moved by: Councillor Yake

Seconded by: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North hereby authorizes a loan of \$5,000.00 to Mount Forest St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to support the relocation of a refugee family to Wellington North;

AND FURTHER THAT the terms and conditions of the loan are to be determined.

CARRIED

STANDING COMMITTEE, STAFF REPORTS, MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Report from Karren Wallace, Clerk

- CLK 2016-008 being a report regarding Notice of Default *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*

RESOLUTION 2016-036

Moved by: Councillor Burke

Seconded by: Councillor McCabe

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THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report CLK 2016-008 being a report regarding a Notice of Default under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.

CARRIED

Report from Darren Jones, Chief Building Official

- CBO 2016-01 Building Permit review period ending December 31, 2015

RESOLUTION 2016-037

Moved by: Councillor McCabe

Seconded by: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CBO 2016-01 being the Building Permit Review for the period ending December 31, 2015.

CARRIED

Report from Matthew Aston, Director of Public Works

- PW 2016-003 being a report on the Township's Connecting Link Funding Application

RESOLUTION 2016-038

Moved by: Councillor Burke

Seconded by: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report PW 2016-003 being a report on the Township's connecting link funding application;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North direct staff to apply for connecting link funding for the Queen Street West (Highway 89) full depth asphalt resurfacing project between Sligo Rd W and 100m east of Durham St W;

AND FURTHER THAT Resolution 2015-514 passed at the November 23, 2015 meeting of Council to direct staff to apply for connecting link funding for the Queen Street East (Highway 89) project between the west-side of Bridge 516 and Egremont Street be repealed.

CARRIED

Report from Matthew Aston, Director of Public Works

- PW 2016-005 being a report on an update to the Township's Bridge Load Limit By-law

RESOLUTION 2016-039

Moved by: Councillor McCabe

Seconded by: Councillor Burke

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THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report PW 2016-005 being a report on an update to the Township's bridge load limit by-law;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a by-law regarding the Township of Wellington North's bridge load limit.

CARRIED

Report from Matthew Aston, Director of Public Works and
Melissa Irvine, Drinking Water Compliance Analyst

- PW 2016-007 being a report on the Township's Drinking Water System Financial Plan (2016-2021)

RESOLUTION 2016-040

Moved by: Councillor Burke

Seconded by: Councillor McCabe

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report PW 2016-007 being a report on the Township's drinking water system financial plan 2016-2021;

AND FURTHER THAT the Township of Wellington North financial plan (2016-2021) prepared by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. dated January 15, 2016 be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North direct staff to publish on the Township website the "Water and Wastewater Rate Study" dated December 2, 2015 and "Water Ontario Regulation 453/07 Financial Plan" dated January 15, 2016.

CARRIED

Report from Matthew Aston, Director of Public Works

- PW 2016-008 being a report on audible pedestrian signals in Wellington North

RESOLUTION 2016-041

Moved by: Councillor McCabe

Seconded by: Councillor Burke

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report PW 2016-008 being a report on audible pedestrian signals in Wellington North;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North request Wellington County share costs for the installation of audible pedestrian signals at intersections George St and Charles St in Arthur and Main St N and Sligo Rd in Mount Forest.

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Administration/Finance Committee
- Minutes, January 18, 2016

RESOLUTION 2016-042

Moved by: Councillor Yake

Seconded by: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee meeting held on January 18, 2016.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2016-043

Moved by: Councillor Yake

Seconded by: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North direct staff to proceed with preparation of the required tender documents for the below projects:

- *Rick Hopkins Bridge repairs*
- *Structure 2028 replacement*
- *Structure 2058 replacement*
- *Arthur Village Eliza Street reconstruction*

in advance of full budget approval to take advantage of early tender pricing, as recommended by the Administration and Finance Committee at the Committee meeting held on January 18, 2016.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2016-044

Moved by: Councillor Hern

Seconded by: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the following 2016 Grants/Donations/Waiver of Fees, as recommended by the Administration and Finance Committee at the Committee meeting held on January 18, 2016:

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

GROUP	FUNDS APPROVED
<i>Arthur Agricultural Society</i>	500.00
<i>Arthur & District Horticultural Society</i>	600.00
<i>Arthur and Area Horticultural Youth Society</i>	200.00
<i>Arthur Opti-Mrs. Club</i>	300.00
<i>Mount Forest Agricultural Society</i>	500.00
<i>Mount Forest & District Arts Council</i>	250.00
<i>Mount Forest District Chamber of Commerce - Mount Forest Fireworks Festival</i>	2,500.00

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GROUP	FUNDS APPROVED
<i>Mount Forest - Community Pantry</i>	800.00
<i>Mount Forest Homecoming Committee</i>	500.00
<i>Mount Forest Horticultural Society</i>	600.00
<i>Mount Forest Lions Club</i>	300.00
<i>Scholarships – Wellington Heights Secondary School</i>	900.00
<i>Wellington County Farm and Home Safety</i>	250.00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	600.00

WAIVER OF FEES

GROUP	FUNDS APPROVED
<i>Arthur Terry Fox Organization</i>	105.09
<i>Little Black Dress Affair</i>	500.00

CARRIED

Cheque Distribution Report dated January 21, 2016

RESOLUTION 2016-045

Moved by: Councillor Hern

Seconded by: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Cheque Distribution Report dated January 21, 2016.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL'S REVIEW AND DIRECTION

Cynthia Baltoumas

- Resolution regarding wind power generation

RESOLUTION 2016-046

Moved by: Councillor Hern

Seconded by: Councillor Yake

Whereas the Independent Electrical System Operator, under Ministerial Directive, issued an RFP for additional renewable energy generation including 300 MW of wind generation and is considering issuing further RFPs for 2016; and,

Whereas the December 2015 Auditor General's report confirmed that Ontario is generating surplus electricity with capacity increasing by 19% in the last 8 years while demand fell by 7.5% in the same period. Additional capacity is not required at this time; and,

Whereas the Auditor General also reported that the existing Feed In Tariff (FIT) contracts mean that Ontario power consumers will pay a premium of \$9.2 billion

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for renewable power with wind power pricing that is double the prices paid in other jurisdictions; and,

Whereas the Ontario Chamber of Commerce reports that the escalating price of electricity is undermining their members' capacity to grow, hire new workers, and attract investment, and that Ontario's electricity costs are among the highest in North America, making the province uncompetitive for business growth; and,

Whereas adding wind to Ontario's grid drives CO₂ emissions higher. The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers estimated that wind and solar, with natural gas backup produces electricity at about 200 grams of CO₂ emissions/kWh compared with the current system average level of 40 grams CO₂ emissions/kWh ; and,

Whereas Nature Canada reports that wind power facilities have a substantial negative impact on endangered species including migrating bats and birds as well as destroying habitat for species at risk; and,

Whereas wind power is an intermittent source of electricity generation meaning that it cannot be used to replace generating capacity lost when nuclear plants are removed from the system for retrofitting; and,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Wellington North requests:

- 1. That the Province of Ontario exercise its rights in Section 4.13 (12) of the current LRP I RFP to 'cancel the process at any stage and for any reason' and not issue any new wind generation contracts;*
- 2. That the Province of Ontario hold off any further renewable procurement process until the capacity is actually required and focus on sources that will actually reduce carbon emissions;*
- 3. That the IESO review the outstanding FIT contracts that have not achieved 'Commercial Operation', and vigorously enforce the terms of the FIT contract with a view to eliminating further expensive wind generation capacity being added to the grid.*

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff be directed to send copies of this resolution for information purposes to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario; Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Energy; Randy Pettapiece, MPP Perth-Wellington; and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Policy Services and Government Relations.

DEFEATED

Council directed staff to work with MPP's Randy Pettapiece, Perth-Wellington, and Ted Arnott, Wellington-Halton Hills, to be most effective in expressing local concerns regarding the high cost of electricity. It was noted that the Township of Wellington North formerly declared itself an unwilling host.

BY-LAWS

RESOLUTION 2016-047

Moved by: Councillor Yake

Seconded by: Councillor Hern

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THAT By-law Number 006-16 being a by-law to repeal the appointment of a Treasurer for The Corporation of the Township of Wellington North be read a First, Second and Third time and finally passed.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2016-048

Moved by: Councillor Yake

Seconded by: Councillor Hern

THAT By-law Number 007-16 being a by-law restricting the weight of vehicles passing over bridges be read a First, Second and Third time and finally passed be read a First, Second and Third time and finally passed.

AND FURTHER THAT by-laws 93-07, 15-14 and 60-14 be repealed.

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL'S INFORMATION

AMO Watchfile

- January 7, 2016
- January 14, 2016

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority

- Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, December 10, 2015

Randy Pettapiece, MPP, Perth-Wellington

- News Release, Province shortchanging area municipalities: MPP Pettapiece

Resolutions received regarding physician recruitment

- Township of Carling
- Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

RESOLUTION 2016-049

Moved by: Councillor Hern

Seconded by: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive the Items for Council's Information as listed in the January 25, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

No notice of motion tabled.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice of 2016 Budget Open House, February 18, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Kenilworth Municipal Office – Council Chambers

Mayor Lennox informed member of the Recreation and Culture Committee that the committee meeting has been changed from February 2 at 8:30 a.m. to February 5 at 8:30 in the meeting room at the Mount Forest Sports Complex

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION 2016-050

Moved by: Councillor Hern

Seconded by: Councillor Yake

THAT By-law Number 008-15 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 January 25, 2016 be read a First, Second and Third time and finally passed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 2016-051

Moved by: Councillor Hern

Seconded by: Councillor Yake

THAT the Regular Council meeting of January 25, 2016 be adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK