

TOWNSHIP OF HARLEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of July 14th, 2020
Held at the Harley Community Hall

Present: **Reeve:** Pauline Archambault
 Councillors: Auldin Bilow, Richard McNaughton, Clifford Fielder, Marc Gosselin
 Clerk-Treasurer: Jordan Kemp
 Road Superintendent: Guy Godmaire

Others: Steve Acland, Kemp Elliot & Blair LLP
 Earl Reid, Reeve of Village of Thornloe

Regrets: **Fire Chief:** Todd Maguire

Meeting started at 7:30 p.m.

1. Open Regular Meeting of Council

2020-111 **Moved:** Auldin Bilow **Seconded:** Clifford Fielder
That we the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby; open the Regular Meeting of Council of July 14th, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.
“CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Agenda

2020-112 **Moved:** Clifford Fielder **Seconded:** Marc Gosselin
That we the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby accept the agenda as amended.

5. b. Earl Read – Village of Thornloe Presentation
11. b. By-Law No. 2020-13 Transfer Payment Agreement Roy’s Bridge
“CARRIED”

3. Adoption of Minutes

2020-113 **Moved:** Marc Gosselin **Seconded:** Richard McNaughton
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 9th, 2020, as presented.
“CARRIED”

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

a. None

5. Delegations/Presentations

a. Steve Acland, Kemp Elliott & Blair – 2019 Audited Financial Statement

2020-114 **Moved:** Richard McNaughton **Seconded:** Auldin Bilow
That we the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge receipt of the Township of Harley’s audited financial statements for the 2019 fiscal year as presented by Steven Acland of Kemp Elliot & Blair LLP.; and,

Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer and/or Reeve to sign any such required documents to finalize the 2019 audit.
“CARRIED”

b. Earl Reid – Reeve of Village of Thornloe

Earl Reid, Reeve of the Village of Thornloe inquired as to whether the Council of the Township of Harley was open to sharing any services with the Village of Thornloe, such as administration and road services. Council informed Mr. Reid that the Township of Harley was open to the idea, however requested more information would be necessary to make a decision. Council requested the Village

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of Thornloe provide a formal proposal along with further information such as 2019 audited financial statements. Mr. Reid informed council that the Village of Thornloe would provide such information prior to the next regular meeting.

6. Payments of Accounts: Vouchers 2020-06

2020-115 **Moved: Clifford Fielder** **Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, approve the Payment of Accounts as presented:

Roads	\$ 55,600.81
Fire	\$ 3,347.94
Recreation	\$ 1,945.73
Admin	<u>\$ 133,804.14</u>
Total Voucher 2020-06	\$ 194,698.62

“CARRIED”

7. Reports from Staff and Others:

a- Roads

The Road Superintendent reported that they will be replacing culverts on North Quarry Road next week. Road side grass has been cut. Recreation Hall Roof is leaking; will be patching this week. Quotes for hauling gravel have been obtained to haul 2” minus on Sales Barn Road and Highland Road.

1. Lathem \$6.95/tonne;
2. Pederson \$6.95/tonne;
3. Caldwell no price provided.

b- Fire Department

No report from the Fire Department for the month of June.

c- Others

- i. Treasurer’s Report as of June 30th, 2020
- ii. Staff Report as of June 30th, 2020

2020-116 **Moved: Clifford Fielder** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**

That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge receipt and accept the following reports/minutes, and that it be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting:

- a. Road Department Report
- b. Others:

- iii. Treasurer’s report as of June 30th, 2020
- iv. Staff Report as of June 30th, 2020

“CARRIED”

8. Correspondence for Council Consideration:

- a. Municipality of McDougall– DSSAB replacing OPP Detachment Boards

2020-117 **Moved: Marc Gosselin** **Seconded: Auldin Bilow**

That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, support the Town of McDougall’s resolution No.:2020-64 opposing the District Social Services Administration Boards replacing current OPP Detachment Boards; and,

That a letter of support be forwarded to the Municipality of McDougall.

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b. Grey County – Implementation of Broadband in underserved and non-served areas

2020-118 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That we the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, support Grey County's Resolution CW93-20 requesting the government improve the level of service for broadband internet in unserved and underserved rural municipalities; and

That a letter of support be forwarded to Grey County.
"CARRIED"

c. Township of Harley – Blue Box Program

2020-119 **Moved: Auldin Bilow Seconded: Clifford Fielder**
WHEREAS the amount of single-use plastic leaking into our lakes, rivers, waterways in Northeastern Ontario is a growing area of public concern;

WHEREAS reducing the waste we generate and reincorporating valuable resources from our waste stream into new goods can reduce GHG's significantly;

WHEREAS the transition to full producer responsibility for packaging, paper and paper products is a critical to reducing waste, improving recycling and driving better economic and environmental outcome;

WHEREAS the move to a circular economy is a global movement, and that the transition of Blue Box programs would go a long way toward this outcome;

WHEREAS the Township of Harley is concerned about recent proposal by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks that could jeopardize over 135 small rural, remote, and Northern community Blue Box programs across the Province as well as servicing to schools and public spaces;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has requested municipal governments with Blue Box programs to provide an indication of the best date to transition our Blue Box program to full producer responsibility;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Harley strongly advocates for language to be included in the regulation that ensures municipalities under 5,000 continue to receive Blue Box servicing as was agreed as part of the Provincial government's Blue Box mediation as well as schools and public spaces.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Harley forward this resolution to the Honorable Jeff Yurek Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northeastern Ontario Municipalities and the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association.

"CARRIED"

d. Municipality of Grey Highlands – Universal Basic Income

2020-120 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Auldin Bilow**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, support the Municipality of Grey Highlands resolution 2020-438 urging the Ontario Federal government work together to investigate the feasibility of implementing a universal basic income program; and,

That a letter of support be forwarded to the Municipality of Grey Highlands.
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e. Township of Puslinch – Aggregate Assessments

- 2020-121 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Auldin Bilow**
That we the Township of Harley do Hereby support the Townships of Puslinch`s resolution No. 2020-166 requesting the Province work with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to address the assessment value of aggregate resource properties so that such properties are assessed for their industrial value; and,

That a letter of support be forwarded to the Township of Puslinch.
“CARRIED”

f. Town of Renfrew – Fastrack ICIP Applications for Economic Stimulus

- 2020-122 **Moved: Marc Gosselin Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That we the Township of Harley do hereby, support the Town of Renfrew`s resolution No. 2020-06-44 requesting the Governments of Ontario and Canada fast track the review of current and previous Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program grant applications in order to provide much needed employment and investment into rural Ontario to provide sustainable infrastructure that will be safe and suitable in a post-pandemic setting; and,

That a letter of support be forwarded to the Town of Renfrew.
“CARRIED”

g. City of Sarnia – Long Term Care Home Improvements

- 2020-123 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Auldin Bilow**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, support the City of Sarnia`s resolution requesting Premier Ford implement the following;
1. Increase the hours for all part-time and casual labour;
 2. Inspect privately-operated homes;
 3. End the neglect and unacceptable conditions of vulnerable seniors; and,
- That a letter of support be forwarded to the City of Sarnia and Premiere of Ontario.
“CARRIED”

h. Kingsville – Rent Assistance Program Revision

- 2020-124 **Moved: Clifford Fielder Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, support Kingsville`s Resolution no. 391-2020 requesting the Province of Ontario expand their Rent Assistance Program to include all businesses in a lease agreement within all “residential-above-commercial” properties without a cap on commercial/residential ratio; and,

That a letter of support be forwarded to Kingsville.
“CARRIED”

9. Correspondence for Council’s Information:

- a- Timiskaming Health Unit – Meeting Minutes June 4th, 2020
- b- Timiskaming Health Unit – Meeting Minutes June 11th, 2020
- c- Timiskaming Health Unit – Meeting Minutes June 18th, 2020
- d- Ministry of Government and Consumer Services – Land Registration Changes

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- e- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Broadband and Cellular Infrastructure
- f- Solicitor General – OPP Billing Disruption

10. Other Business:

- a- Letter from Resident RE: Interest

The Clerk-Treasurer presented a letter from a resident responding to Council's decision to their earlier request in waiving interest on their account which was presented at the previous Regular Meeting held on June 9th. Council's decision from June 9th remains unchanged and interest will not be waived for the individual account.

- b- Appointment of the Financial Auditor for 2020

2020-125 **Moved: Marc Gosselin** **Seconded: Clifford Fielder**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, appoint Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP as financial auditors for the fiscal year 2020; and,

Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer and/or Reeve to execute any such required documents pertaining to the audit.
"CARRIED"

11. By-Laws

- a- By law No. 2020-12 Being a by-law to repeal by-law 2020-10 to exit the tax capping program for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes for the year 2020 and for subsequent taxation years
[three readings]

2020-126 **Moved: Richard McNaughton** **Seconded: Auldin Bilow**
That **By-Law No. 2020-12**, being a by-law to exit the tax capping program for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes for the year 2020 and for subsequent taxation years, be received and read a first and second time.
"CARRIED"

2020-127 **Moved: Clifford Fielder** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That **By-Law No. 2020-12**, being a by-law to exit the tax capping program for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes for the years and for subsequent taxation years, be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
"CARRIED"

- b- By law No. 2020-13 Being a by-law to authorize a transfer payment agreement for an Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Rural and Northern Stream Project *[three readings]*

2020-128 **Moved: Clifford Fielder** **Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That By-Law No. 2020-13, being a by-law to authorize a transfer payment agreement for an Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Rural and Northern Stream Project between her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of Ontario, represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and the Corporation of the Township of Harley, be received and read a first and second time.
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2020-129 **Moved: Marc Gosselin** **Seconded: Auldin Bilow**
That By-Law No. 2020-13, being a by-law to authorize a transfer payment agreement for an Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Rural and Northern Stream Project between her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of Ontario, represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and the Corporation of the Township of Harley, be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

12. Resolution to move to closed session:

a- None

13. Adjournment:

2020-130 **Moved: Clifford Fielder** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, adjourn at 9:21 p.m. and will meet again on August 11th, 2020 or at the call of the Reeve.
“CARRIED”

Pauline Archambault, Reeve

Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer