

Wednesday, May 6, 2020
via teleconference and online
Youtube Channel for listening in: Blandford-Blenheim Township
<https://youtube.com/channel/UCdKRV0GAEuFaGbWHRPzoEXA>
4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Council met at 4:00 p.m via teleconference and online.

Present: Mayor Peterson, Councillors Balzer, Banbury, Demarest

Staff: Baer, Borton, Krug, Harmer, Matheson, Mordue and Richardson.

Mayor Peterson in the Chair.

1. Welcome

2. Call to Order

3. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #1

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

That the agenda for the May 6, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted with the addition of item 16 a.

.Carried

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

5. Adoption of Minutes

RESOLUTION #2

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

That the minutes of the April 15, 2020 Meeting of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

7. Delegations/Presentations

None.

8. Correspondence

a. General

None

b. Specific

- i. Town of Gravenhurst, re: Declaration of Garden Centres and Nurseries as essential services

RESOLUTION #3

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

That the correspondence from the Town of Gravenhurst and of the District of Muskoka requesting that the Province of Ontario declare Garden Centres and Nurseries as essential services be received.

.Carried

- ii. Township of Mapleton, Re: Request to the Province to review the Farm Property Class tax rate program

RESOLUTION #4

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

That the Council for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim supports the Township of Mapleton resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario review the Farm Property Class Tax Rate Program.

.Carried

9. Staff Reports

a. Rick Richardson – Director of Protective Services

- i. FC-20-09 – Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #5

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

That Report FC-20-09 be received as information.

.Carried

b. Jim Borton – Director of Public Works

i. PW-20-07 - 2020 Gravel Tender Results

RESOLUTION #6

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

That Report PW-20-07 be received for information

.Carried

ii. PW-20-06 – Solar Light for mail boxes

RESOLUTION #7

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

That Report PW-20-06 be received for information

.Carried

c. Trevor Baer – Manager of Community Services

i. CS-20-05 – Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #8

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

That report CS-20-05 be received as information.

.Carried

d. John Scherer – Chief Building Official

i. CBO-20-06 – Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #9

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

That report CBO-20-06 be received as information.

.Carried

10. Reports from Council Members

Councillor Demarest spoke about a grant opportunity being offered by the Rural Oxford Economic Development Corporation (ROEDC) for local businesses to implement or expand their e-commerce platform.

Mayor Peterson provided an update on COVID-19 locally and noted that all citizens must continue to be vigilant.

11. Unfinished Business

None.

12. Motions and Notices of Motion

None.

13. New Business

None.

14. Closed Session

None.

15. By-laws

RESOLUTION #10

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that first and second reading be given to the following By-laws:

- 2189-2020 Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #11

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that third and final reading be given to the following By-laws:

- 2189-2020 Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

16. Other Business

- a) Penalty of Dog Tags

RESOLUTION #12

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

That Whereas By-Law 2165-2019 provides for a late fee of \$10 to be applied to dog tags purchased after April 30th,

Be It Resolved That Council agrees to waive that fee for tags purchased in the year 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

.Carried

17. Adjournment and Next Meeting

RESOLUTION #13

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Whereas business before Council has been completed at 4:40 p.m.;

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 4:00 p.m through electronic means.

.Carried

Mark Peterson, Mayor
Township of Blandford-Blenheim

Rodger Mordue CAO / Clerk
Township of Blandford-Blenheim