

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

Special Council Meeting

May 26th, 2020

There was a Special Meeting of Council held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday May 26th, 2020 immediately after the Public Meeting for the 2020 Budget. Present were Mayor David Bennett, Deputy Mayor Glen Campbell, Councillor Doug Humphries, Councillor Lane Cleroux and Councillor Tom Webster. Staff present was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk, Nathalie Moore, Treasurer, and Nichole Dubeau, Admin/Planning Assistant-Recording Secretary.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. COUNCIL MEMBER ROLL CALL

Mayor Bennett did a roll call for council.

	Present	Absent
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

3. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-97

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council adopt the Agenda for the May 26th, 2020 Special Council Meeting.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

5. MINUTES

- i. May 6th, 2020 – Special Council Meeting

Moved by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-98

Seconded by Councillor Webster

THAT Council approve the following Minutes:

- May 6th, 2020 – Special Council Meeting

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

6. STAFF REPORT – OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 25 – FINAL APPROVAL

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report for council members. Council members were in agreeance to support the Township of Bonnechere Valley's resolution to extend the deadline for the Official Plan Amendment Number 25. Council members felt that the appropriate deadline should be December 31, 2020 instead of September 28, 2020.

7. STAFF REPORT – INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report for council.

8. 2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS –MACKILLICAN & ASSOCIATES

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report for council members. She stated that once gatherings are permitted again and if council wishes, Rory Richards from MacKillican & Associates can be invited to a meeting to go over the statements. Council members agreed they would like to invite Mr. Richards in to discuss the statements.

9. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT – CITY OF PEMBROKE

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report for council members. Council was in favour of supporting the resolution.

10. RESOLUTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-99

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council adopts the Ontario Regulation 284/09 Report for the 2020 Budget, as printed and circulated.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-100

Seconded by Councillor Webster

THAT Council adopts the 2020 budget with a levy of \$2,431,868.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-101

Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

THAT Council adopts the 2020 Reserve Budget as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT the 10 Year Reserve Schedule commencing 2020 and ending in 2029 with an end value of \$2,745,304 be adopted.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cleroux
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-102

THAT Council adopts the 2020 Capital Budget as presented.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-103

THAT Council adopts the 10 Year Capital Forecast for 2020 to 2029 as presented.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell
Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-104

WHEREAS the Notice of Decision given on March 27, 2020 under Subsection 17(34) of the Planning Act with respect to Official Plan Amendment No. 25 (OPA 25) to the Renfrew County Official Plan was received March 30th, 2020.

AND WHEREAS this decision went into effect March 26th, 2020;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to subsections 17(36.5 & 38.1) of the Planning Act, this decision is final and not subject to appeal;

AND WHEREAS this decision will have a negative impact on development and the economy within Renfrew County including matters of provincial interest such as affordable housing, growth management, asset management and economic development;

AND WHEREAS the province is in a state of economic recovery due to the impacts of Covid-19;

AND WHEREAS the municipalities are already under a tremendous amount of strain due to a loss of revenue, increase in expenses, lack of resources, work from home conditions and local businesses and development being shut down;

AND WHEREAS development applications already underway will either not materialize or experience extreme delays due to the excessive requirements under this decision;

AND WHEREAS an extension to December 31, 2020 for the effective date of these provisions would allow municipal staff the time to incorporate these changes and support economic recovery to allow applications currently in the works to be completed at a time when development will play a crucial role in the recovery of the County of Renfrew and Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Horton support the Township of Bonnechere Valley's efforts in imploring the Province of Ontario to amend the effective date of the decision with respect to Official Plan Amendment No. 25 (OPA 25) to the County of Renfrew's Official Plan to December 31, 2020 to assist in the economic recovery of Renfrew County and Ontario;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke, the County of Renfrew and all of its lower-tier municipalities.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster
Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-105

THAT Council of the Township of Horton receive the Integrity Commissioner's 2019 Annual Report, as submitted.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-106

THAT Council accept the 2019 Financial Statements from MacKillican and Associates as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-107

THAT Horton Township Council support the City of Pembroke's Resolution #13 to properly address local needs and reopen some activities and reopen businesses;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health; MPP John Yakabuski, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Renfrew County and District Health Unit, County of Renfrew, and the City of Pembroke.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

11. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS' CONCERNS

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough stated that staff is devising a plan to potentially open the Municipal Office up to the public again. There will be certain restrictions and rules to keep staff and the public safe. She added that council may want to consider having committee meetings again in the near future, whether it is via Zoom or socially distanced in the chambers. Council congratulated CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough on her achievement of receiving her AOMC designation from AMCTO.

12. BY-LAWS

- i. 2020-25 Sums Required for 2020

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-108

Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

THAT Council enact the following By-law:

- 2020-25 Sums Required for 2020

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

13. CONFIRMING BYLAW

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-109

Seconded by Councillor Webster

THAT Council enact By-law 2020-26 – Confirming By-Law.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

Carried

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bennett declared the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

MAYOR David Bennett

CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough