THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 2ND, 2021

There was a Regular Meeting of Council held via Zoom on Tuesday March 2, 2021. Present were Mayor David Bennett, Councillor Doug Humphries, Councillor Cleroux, and Councillor Tom Webster. Staff present was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk, Nathalie Moore, Treasurer, and Nichole Dubeau, Admin/Planning Assistant-Recording Secretary.

Deputy Mayor Glen Campbell sent his regrets.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. He performed roll call for council members.

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

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

3. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Webster
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-51

THAT Council adopt the Agenda for the March 2nd, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

4. DELEGATIONS &/or PUBLIC MEETINGS - NONE

5. MINUTES

5.1 February 16th, 2021 – Regular Council

Moved by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-52

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council approve the following Minutes:

February 16th, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

7.1 GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

Public Advisory Members Susan Humphries and Spencer Hopping were present.

Moved by Councillor Humphries Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-53

THAT Council appoint Councillor Cleroux as Acting Chair of the General Government Committee for the meeting held March 2nd, 2021.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

7.1.1 Financial Departmental Report & Statement

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report. She highlighted that 62% of the interim bills have been paid since being mailed out in early February, the online purchasing of dog tags has been going well, and the invoicing of MTO for Fire Department calls has also been successful.

7.1.2 Staff Report – Integrity Commissioner 2020 Report

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report.

7.1.3 Staff Report – Healthy Community Initiative

Admin/Planning Assistant Nichole Dubeau reviewed the report. Public Advisory Member Susan Humphries questioned if a second sign, for the Municipal Office, should be applied for in addition to the Community Centre sign. Council members were in agreeance that two digital signs be applied for.

7.1.4 Staff Report – Starlink Internet Service

Admin/Planning Assistant Nichole Dubeau reviewed the report. Mayor Bennett stated that the service should be looked into for the Community Centre, for residents to use in the parking lot. Staff is to bring a report back with further information.

7.1.5 Staff Report – Community Settlement Initiative

Admin/Planning Assistant Nichole Dubeau reviewed the report.

7.2 RECREATION COMMITTEE

7.2.1 Chair's Report – February 19, 2021

Chair Humphries reviewed the report.

7.3 COMMUNITY COMMITTEES / COUNTY COUNCIL

7.3.1 Renfrew & Area Seniors Home Support

Mayor Bennett stated that they are offering an income tax program again this year to help seniors file their taxes.

7.3.2 Community Safety & Wellbeing Plan Committee

There was no update.

7.3.3 Health Services Village

There was no update.

7.3.4 Chamber of Commerce

Councillor Humphries stated that AGM is on March 9th.

7.3.5 County Council

Mayor Bennett stated that the County of Renfrew recommended to remove the buffer around settlement areas to prevent development. The recognition for Del O'Brien for his induction into the Ontario Agriculture Hall of Fame in the County of Renfrew's Council Meeting from February 24 was presented to Council.

8. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY

8.1 INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

8.1.1 CAO/Clerk Information Memo

Discussion went around the table with information previously distributed. Mayor Bennett stated that he was the County's new Chair for the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association.

8.2 ACTION CORRESPONDENCE - None

9. BYLAWS - NONE

10. NOTICE TO FILE MOTION FOR NEXT COUNCIL - NONE

11. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNS

Councillor Webster thanked the Public Works staff and the Fire Department for their work the last few weeks, especially.

12. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE

13. RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-54

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council receive the Financial Departmental Report & Statement as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	Χ	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Х	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-55

THAT Council of the Township of Horton receive the Integrity Commissioner's 2020 Annual Report, as submitted.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-56

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council accept the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative Grant report as information:

AND THAT Council direct staff to apply for funding for two digital signs for the Community Centre and the Municipal Office.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	Х	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Х	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-57

THAT Council accept the Starlink High-Speed Internet report as information;

AND THAT Staff prepare and bring back a plan to provide to Council for approval to bring Starlink to the Community Centre for stronger internet services and to provide access to the public;

AND FURTHER THAT this is intended to be funded from the Modernization Reserves.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	Х	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cleroux
Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-58

THAT Council accept the Community Settlement Initiative Training report as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Х	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-59

THAT Council accept the Recreation Committee Chair's Report as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-60

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council receive the reports for Community Committees and County Council as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	Χ	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Х	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries Seconded by Councillor Webster **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-61**

THAT Council accept the CAO/Clerk's Information Memo for March 2nd, 2021.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	Х	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Х	

Carried

14. IN CAMERA (Closed) SESSION

Moved by Councillor Humphries Seconded by Councillor Cleroux **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-62**

THAT Council went into a Closed Session Meeting at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the following items pursuant to Section 239(2) (b) and (e) of the Municipal Act;

- (b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees Planning.
- (e) Litigation or potential litigation Waste Tender Contract.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-63

Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

THAT Council came out of Closed (In-Camera) Session at 6:11 p.m. and discussed items pertaining to:

- (b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Planning.
- (e) Litigation or potential litigation Waste Tender Contract.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Х	

Carried

15. **CONFIRMING BYLAW**

Moved by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-64

Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

THAT Council enact By-law 2020-16 – Confirming By-Law.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	Х	
Councillor Cleroux	Х	
Councillor Humphries	Х	
Councillor Webster	Χ	

Carried

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Bennett declared the	meeting adjourned at 6:12	? p.m.
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MAYOR David M. Bennett	CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough