

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DESERONTO
COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

APRIL 8, 2020 – 6:30 P.M. – TELECONFERENCE

The Town of Deseronto Mission Statement is to provide excellent and affordable services for its residents and to work as a team, dedicated to making living in Deseronto a positive and pleasurable experience.

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ATTENDANCE:

Mayor	D. Johnston
Deputy Mayor	S. Everhardus
Councillors	N. Clark A. Hudson K. Smith – unable to participate due to work
CAO /Clerk-Treasurer	C. Martin
Deputy Clerk	G. Maracle

1. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Dan Johnston called the April 8, 2020 teleconference Council meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 11-20-01

Moved by: N. Clark
Seconded by: S. Everhardus

THAT the amended agenda for the April 8, 2020 Council meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None noted

4. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

(4.1) Minutes of the March 9, 2020 Budget Council Meeting

(4.2) Minutes of the March 11, 2020 Regular Council meeting

(4.3) Minutes of the March 16, 2020 Special Council meeting

(4.4) Minutes of the April 1, 2020 Teleconference Council meeting

Resolution 11-20-02

Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: A. Hudson

THAT the minutes of the March 9, 2020 Budget meeting, the March 11, 2020 Council meeting, the March 16, 2020 Special Council meeting and the April 1, 2020 Teleconference meeting be approved as presented.

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5. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

6. VARIANCE REPORT

7. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

(7.1) Schedule of Accounts 6-2020

Resolution 11-20-03

Moved by: N. Clark
Seconded by: A. Hudson

THAT Schedule of Accounts numbered 6-2020 in the amount of \$359,637.24 be approved for payment. CARRIED

8. STAFF REPORTS

(8.1) Notice to be sent out to the Public regarding the 2020 budget

Resolution 11-20-04

Moved by: A. Hudson
Seconded by: N. Clark

THAT the 2020 budget notice be approved for delivery to the public. CARRIED

(8.2) CAO Report – Commissionaires Agreement

Resolution 11-20-05

Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: N. Clark

THAT Council agrees to e part of a newly created By-law Enforcement Board with the Township of Stirling Rawdon, the Municipality of Tweed, the Township of Madoc and the Township of Tyendinaga,
THAT Council agrees to forward an upfront fee to the Township of Stirling Rawdon to manage the payment of Commissionaires invoices,
THAT Council agrees to share in the costs of the vehicle for use in our municipalities,
AND THAT Council direct staff to prepare a by-law to enter into an agreement for the next meeting that is to commence on May 4, 2020,
AND FURTHER THAT staff notify the current by-law enforcement company with thirty days notice for the termination of the contract. CARRIED

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9. COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- (9.1) Building Inspection Services Board reports for the month of February 2020.

Resolution 11-20-06

Moved by: N. Clark
Seconded by: A. Hudson

THAT the February 2020 Building Inspection Services Board report be received.

CARRIED

10. ACTION ITEMS

- (10.1) Memo from the Ministry of the Solicitor General regarding Set Fines for offences under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act

(10.2) Letter from the Solicitor General and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing regarding COVID-19

(10.3) Letter from the Ministry of the Solicitor General regarding COVID-19

Resolution 11-20-07

Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: N. Clark

THAT the three pieces of correspondence regarding the enforcement of offences under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act be received.

CARRIED

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

(11.1) Letter from Deputy Minister Allan Doheny regarding the deferral of education property tax remittances

(11.2) Letter from EDCO Chief Executive Officer, Heather Lalonde, regarding the importance of Economic Development

(11.3) Letter from Site manager, Bill McDonough, with an update on the Richmond Landfill.

(11.4) Hastings County Council Report for March 26, 2020

(11.5) Letter from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs regarding the Line Fences Act

(11.6) Legal opinion from Templeman regarding COVID-19

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- (11.7) Notice of Quinte Conservation’s 2019 Annual Report
- (11.8) Press Release from Hastings County regarding the grand opening of “Home for Good”
- (11.9) E-mail from the Ontario Ministry of Natural resources and Forestry regarding flooding
- Resolution 11-20-08
- Moved by: N. Clark
Seconded by: S. Everhardus
- THAT items 11.1 through 11.9 be received.
- CARRIED**

12. NEW BUSINESS

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Clark congratulated the Mayor on leading the Town through this difficult time. He also thanked Council and staff for their dedication.

Deputy Mayor Everhardus advised the listening public that the government had recently introduced the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) for those who had recently lost their job due to the COVID-19 virus and he encouraged all those who would qualify to apply. He requested that information links pertaining to CERB, be put on our social media sites.

Councillor Hudson advised the listening public to keep checking our website for updates and to stay safe and healthy.

Mayor Johnston reminded the listening public to continue with the current course of action and try to not deviate this long weekend. He further wished everyone a Happy Easter and reminded all to stay safe.

15. BY-LAWS

(15.1) By-law 26-20, being a by-law to adopt a budget for the year 2020

Resolution 11-20-09

Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: N. Clark

THAT by-law 26-20, being a by-law to adopt a budget for the year 2020, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of April 2020.

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(15.2) By-law 27-20, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Transportation for dedicated gas tax funds for public transportation programs

Resolution 11-20-10

**Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: A. Hudson**

THAT by-law 27-20, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Transportation for dedicated gas tax funds for public transportation programs, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of April 2020.

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(15.3) By-law 28-20, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Grand & Toy

Resolution 11-20-11

**Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: N. Clark**

THAT by-law 28-20, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Grand & Toy, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of April 2020.

CARRIED

16. CLOSED SESSION

17. BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

(17.1) By-law 29-20 to confirm the proceedings of Council for April 8, 2020.

Resolution 11-20-12

**Moved by: S. Everhardus
Seconded by: N. Clark**

THAT by-law 29-20, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting on April 8, 2020, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of April 2020.

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17. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Resolution 11-20-13

Moved by: N. Clark

Seconded by:

THAT the April 8, 2020 meeting of Council be adjourned;



MAYOR



CAO- CLERK/TREASURER