



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, April 21st, 2020, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry will meet electronically in regular session on the 21st day of April, 2020, at 7:30 pm.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Disclosure of recording equipment.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by
Seconded by

ADOPT THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts
AGENDA the agenda for the meeting of April 21st 2020 as circulated.

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3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

4.0 MINUTES

attached

Moved by
Seconded by

ADOPT THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts
MINUTES the April 7th 2020 Council Meeting Minutes as written.

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5.0 ACCOUNTS

5.1 ACCOUNTS

attached

A copy of the April 21st accounts listing is attached.

Moved by
Seconded by

APPROVE THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves
ACCOUNTS for payment March April 21st accounts in the amount of \$147,356.77.

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5.2 PAY REPORTS

attached

Copies of the April 15th Pay Reports are included for information purposes.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

None.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

- 7.1 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT attached

At the request of Deputy Mayor Zinn, a report has been prepared by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock regarding plowing operations and the presence of gravel in ditches.

- 7.2 BUILDING DEPARTMENT attached

A report has been prepared by CBO Kirk Livingston regarding the continuity of services provided by the Building Department. Mr. Livingston will not be in attendance. For information only.

8.0 BUSINESS

- 8.1 RECOGNITION OF ESSENTIAL WORKERS attached

A report has been prepared by CAO/Clerk Trevor Hallam in this regard.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Sharen Zinn

Jamie McCallum

Jim Nelemans

Kevin Freiburger

Jamie Heffer

- 10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION** attached

- 10.1 Financial Aid Proposal – Town of Midland
 10.2 Correspondence – Joint Minister letter to Heads of Council April 4 – Seasonal Trailer Parks and Recreational Campgrounds
 10.3 Monthly Report – Belgrave Water – March 2020
 10.4 Correspondence – SCA Letter to Premier – Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation
 10.5 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 11.1 Items to be placed on the agenda of the next regular Council meeting.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

None.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

None.

- 14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW** attached

Moved by
 Seconded by

CONFIRMING BY-LAW THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 22-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on April 21st, 2020, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 21st day of April 2020.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by
Seconded by

ADJOURN THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn
at ____ pm.

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NEXT MEETINGS:

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| 1. Regular Meeting of Council | Tuesday, May | 5 th 2019, 7:30 pm |
| 2. Regular Meeting of Council | Tuesday, May | 19 th 2019, 7:30 pm |



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, April 7th, 2020, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met electronically in regular session on the 7th day of April, 2020, at 7:30 pm.

Council in Attendance

Mayor Jamie Heffer
Deputy Mayor Sharen Zinn
Jamie McCallum
Jim Nelemans
Kevin Freiburger

Staff in Attendance

Trevor Hallam	CAO/Clerk
Mike Alcock	Director of Public Works
Sean Brophy	Treasurer
Kelly Tiffin	Tax Collector

Others in Attendance

Denny Scott	The Citizen
Maitland Underwood	
John Underwood	
Nelson Underwood	

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jamie Heffer called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION 77-2020	THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of April 7 th 2020 as circulated.	Carried.
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3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mayor Heffer declared a conflict of interest with regard to agenda item 6.1, the application for Minor Variance submitted by Nelson Underwood for Underwood Grain, as he is within the circulation radius for notice, and is the neighbor of the applicant.

4.0 MINUTES

Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION 78-2020	THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the April 1 st and March 17 th , 2020 Council Meeting Minutes as written.	Carried.
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5.0 ACCOUNTS

5.1 ACCOUNTS

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 79-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment March 3rd accounts in the amount of \$269,350.79. Carried.

5.2 PAY REPORTS

Copies of the March 18th and April 1st Pay Reports were provided for information purposes.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

6.1 COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT, UNDERWOOD GRAIN MINOR VARIANCE

Application MV01-2020, Underwood Grain Minor Variance
Concession 8, Part Lot 8, 22R3301 Pt Part 1, 41797 Howick-Turnberry Road

Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 80-2020 THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adjourns their Council Meeting and the Committee of Adjustment hereby opens their Committee of Adjustment Public Meeting to review application for minor variance MV01-2019, submitted by Nelson Underwood/Underwood Grain. Carried.

Mayor Heffer ceded the chair to Deputy Mayor Zinn due to the previously declared conflict of interest.

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT PUBLIC MEETING – MINOR VARIANCE

1.0 Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Zinn called the meeting of the Committee of Adjustment to order.

2.0 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared by those still at the table.

3.0 Purpose

The purpose of this application is to reduce the required number of parking spaces from 19 to 10, including one accessible and one limited mobility space and to reduce the front yard setback from required 20m to 16m, to allow for the construction of a new storage warehouse.

The specific variance requested is:

1. Relief from Section 3.32 of By-Law 45-2014 to reduce the required number of parking spaces from 19 to 10, including one accessible and one limited mobility space.
2. Relief from Section 6.4 of By-law 45-2014 to reduce the minimum front yard setback from the required 20m to 16m.

4.0 Application Process

An application was submitted by Nelson Underwood on March 13th, 2020 and considered complete on March 24th, 2020.

Notice of the Public Meeting was mailed by the municipality to all property owners within 60m of the property on March 27th, 2020 and notice was posted on the subject property.

5.0 Comments

5.1.1 Clerk on behalf of Huron County Planner

CAO/Clerk Trevor Hallam presented the Planner's report on behalf of Jenn Burns. He noted that while there are no issues with the substance of the application and the proposed variances, complications due to the declaration of emergency by the Province and O. Reg 73/20 and 119/20 regarding the suspension of limitation periods within statutes, and the construction proposed in the minor variance not being deemed as essential. Mr. Hallam also pointed out that this project and property would be subject to site plan control, and the Municipality has yet to receive site plan drawings or a site plan application.

5.1.2 Applicant and/or Agent

Nelson Underwood explained that he produces food grade beans, and the list of essential business clearly states agriculture is an essential business, and he believes that because of that construction associated with agriculture is also permitted. Mr. Underwood also noted that he had been informed by both the Planner and CBO that applications and approvals associated with this project could be done concurrently, so the lack of an application for site plan control shouldn't effect this minor variance. He claimed that had it not been for Friday's announcement regarding construction, there would be no issue. He said he had spoken to Provincial representatives and they had said that it wasn't the intention of the Province to stop all construction and business in the province. He stated this was an error in interpretation.

Maitlnad Underwood explained that their operation is an essential service. Following the initial rush in stores when people were stocking up on groceries, they received rush orders for white beans to restock shelves. The expansion proposed here will make their operation better equipped to continue to serve that need.

Mr. Hallam provided clarification, confirming that approvals can indeed be sought concurrently, but they all must be in place before a permit can be issued. He also explained that it is not clear what the intent of the Province was, but that the language in the regulations is clear and explicit, and lacking any further direction from the province there is no issue regarding interpretation of the current regulation.

5.1.3 Others

None.

5.1.4 Council's Questions and/or Comments

Councillor McCallum stated that he would like to see the minor variance approved and the project move forward, but we have to follow the guidelines set out by the province.

Councillor Nelemans stated that he believes that this should go through, and wondered if anyone had contacted Lisa Thompson as she might be able to provide some clarification.

Councillor Freiburger agreed that this is an important project, but a short deferral might allow the other pieces and approvals to catch up. Furthermore, we are obliged to follow the direction of the province and the emergency orders they issue.

6.0 Recommendation of the Huron County Planner

The Huron County Planning & Development Department recommends that a decision on application MV01-20 be deferred until the suspension of minor variance appeal periods is removed by the Province.

Effect of O. Reg. 73/20

On March 20, 2020, an Order under Section 7.1(2) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act was made and filed as O. Reg. 73/20. This Order suspends, for the duration of the Provincial emergency, any limitation period established by a statute, regulation, rule, by-law or order of the Government of Ontario. This would include the Planning Act and, based on an opinion from the County Solicitor, the appeal period limitations for decisions, such as the 20 day appeal period for minor variances. As a result of the County Solicitor's opinion, all decisions on planning applications with appeal provisions (such as minor variances, consents, official plan amendments, and zoning by-law amendments) should be deferred until the suspension of the appeal period is removed.

7.0 Motion to defer decision on Minor Variance

Moved by Jim Nelemans
 Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION
 81-2020

THAT The Committee of Adjustment of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby defers a decision on application for minor variance MV01-2020, submitted by Nelson Underwood until the suspension of minor variance appeal periods is removed by the Province or further clarification is provided by the Province regarding the interpretation of the emergency orders.

Carried

Councillor McCallum reiterated that it's a shame that there is a need for deferral but regulations have been passed down and he hopes for a quick turn around from the province.

6.1.1.1 Close Committee of Adjustment Meeting

Moved by Jamie McCallum
 Seconded by Jim Nelemans

MOTION
 82-2020

THAT The Committee of Adjustment hereby adjourns their meeting and the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby reconvenes their Regular Council Meeting.

Carried.

Deputy Mayor Zinn ceded the Chair to Mayor Heffer

6.2 FEES AND CHARGES BY-LAW PUBLIC MEETING**6.2.1 Open Public Meeting**

Moved by Jim Nelemans
 Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION
 83-2020

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby Adjourns their regular meeting of Council and opens a Public Meeting to consider changes to the Morris-Turnberry Fees and Charges By-Law

Carried.

PUBLIC MEETING – FEES AND CHARGES**1.0 Call to Order**

Mayor Heffer called the public meeting to order.

2.0 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

3.0 Requirement

The Public Meeting was held under the Building Code Act, which requires that Council hold at least one public meeting and that proper notice be given of its intent to consider a by-law to amend the fee schedule for services rendered under the Building Code Act.

3.1 Process

Notice of the Public Meeting was issued in accordance with section 7(6) of the Building Code Act, section 1.9.1.2 of Ontario Regulation 332/12, and the Morris-Turnberry Notice By-Law on November 20th, 2019.

3.2 **Comments**

3.2.1 Clerk

Mr. Hallam noted that Council had seen a draft of this by-law and fee schedule and it remains mostly unchanged with two exceptions. The Wingham water rates has been removed and will be included once an agreement is finalized with North Huron,. The second change was the increase from 4 times the permit fee to 5 times the permit fee for construction without a permit, as requested by Councillor McCallum at the last meeting, to serve as a stronger deterrent.

3.2.2 Others

None.

3.2.3 Council's Questions and/or Comments

3.3 Mayor Heffer asked if 4 times the amount of the permit as a penalty was enough. Deputy Mayor Zinn and Councillor Nelemans agreed that they believed that 4 times the permit fee was sufficient.

4.0 **Close public meeting**

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

MOTION
84-2020

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby closes the Public Meeting to consider changes to the Morris-Turnberry Fees and Charges By-Law.

Carried.

6.2.2 Consideration of Fees and Charges By-Law

Councillor Nelemans Moved the motion to consider the by-law maintaining the penalty for construction without a permit at 4 times the original permit cost.

Councillor McCallum requested a recorded vote.

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION
85-2020

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 15-2020, being a by-law to establish fees, rates and charges for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of April 2020.

Mayor Jamie Heffer	YEA
Deputy Mayor Sharen Zinn	YEA
Jamie McCallum	NAE
Jim Nelemans	YEA
Kevin Freiburger	YEA

Carried.

6.3 **BUDGET 2020 PUBLIC MEETING**

6.3.1 Open Public Meeting

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION
86-2020

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby Adjourns their regular meeting of Council and opens a Public Meeting to consider the 2020 Budget for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry.

Carried.

PUBLIC MEETING – BUDGET 2020

5.0 **Call to Order**

Mayor Heffer called the Public Meeting to order.

6.0 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

7.0 Requirement

The Public Meeting was held to provide a forum for the Public to provide comment on the Municipal Budget for the 2020 year. There is no statutory requirement to hold a Public Meeting to consider the Budget.

7.1 Process

Notice of the Public Meeting was issued on March 24th, 2020. The budget was first made public on December 5th 2019, and was considered at meetings open to the public on December 9th, March 3rd, and March 17th. The public has had the opportunity to comment on the document since the date was first made public.

7.2 Comments

7.2.1 Treasurer

Treasurer Sean Brophy presented a report on the current and final draft of the 2020 Budget.

7.2.2 Others

None.

7.2.3 Council's Questions and/or Comments

Councillor McCallum asked if any relief for Municipalities has been provided by the Province, as revenues may be reduced due to ratepayer's reduced income and ability to pay property taxes. Mr. Hallam explained that Education levees have been deferred.

Deputy Mayor Zinn asked if the BMG project been put forward for sure. Councillor McCallum explained the Committee was awaiting the results from the ROMA conference presentation in January.

Deputy Mayor Zinn stated that Mr. Brophy has done an excellent job of summarizing this budget and presenting it to Council.

Councillor Nelemans agreed with Deputy Mayor Zinn's comment regarding Mr. Brophy's efforts on the budget. Regarding Councillor McCallum's question, he stated that interest rates are low, so if the Municipality has to borrow money to maintain day to day operations it could be done at little cost.

8.0 Close public meeting

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION
87-2020

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby closes the Public Meeting to consider the 2020 Budget for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry.

Carried.

6.3.2 Consideration of 2020 Budget

Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jim Nelemans

MOTION
88-2020

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 16-2020, being a by-law to establish fees, rates and charges for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of April 2020.

Carried.

7.0 **STAFF REPORTS**

7.1 TREASURER

7.1.1 2019 Reserve Reconciliation

A report was presented by Treasurer Sean Brophy in this regard.

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION
89-2020

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 17-2020, being a by-law to confirm reserves and establish reserve funds for 2019 for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of April 2020.

Carried.

7.2 PUBLIC WORKS

7.2.1 Operations Report

A report was presented by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock in this regard.

Councillor McCallum asked if the yard waste pickup date could be advanced, as many people are home and doing yard work earlier than normal this year. The consensus of Council was that since notices with the date had already been printed it would be left unchanged.

7.2.2 Surfacing Tender

A report was presented by Director of Public Works Mike Alcock in this regard.

Councillor Nelemans asked if this was the same contractor as last year. Mr. Alcock confirmed that it was, and that he has been happy with their work in the past.

Deputy Mayor Zinn restated her point made at the last meeting that we must ensure that we stick with the budget, and if Mr. Alcock is able to balance any difference without a budgetary impact that is favourable.

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

MOTION
90-2020

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby accepts the tender of Norjohn Contracting and Paving Limited for the estimated value of \$273,251.70 (based on estimated quantities and excluding HST) For the supply and placement of surface treatment on Municipal roads and authorize the Mayor and Administrator Clerk-Treasurer to execute the tender and all other required documents.

Carried.

7.3 CLERK

7.3.1 COVID-19 Response update

A report was presented by CAO/Clerk Trevor Hallam in this regard. For information only.

Councillor Nelemans expressed frustration over delays being caused by the various responses to COVID-19, especially in regards to planning matters as encountered earlier in the meeting. He asked if Council could consider approval in principal or something similar in such circumstances to keep things moving. Mr. Hallam explained that pre-consultations and applications are still being done, and planners are available. With the current arrangement, anyone wishing to bring forward a planning application is able to go through most of the planning process, with the exception of getting approval from Council.

8.0 BUSINESS**8.1 TAX PENALTY RELIEF**

Deputy Mayor Sharen Zinn requested that Council engage in a discussion to consider whether any relief measures are warranted with regards to amounts owed to the municipality by residents.

A report was prepared by Treasurer Sean Brophy in this regard.

There was a consensus among Council was that staff should be authorized to defer interest penalty up to the second installment date on a case by case basis and only upon request.

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 91-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby authorizes the CAO/Clerk to waive interest on late tax payments due April 30th until the second installment date, on a case by case basis upon request by ratepayers.

Carried.

9.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

Sharen Zinn

No report

Jamie McCallum

No report

Jim Nelemans

No report

Kevin Freiburger

No report

Jamie Heffer

April 2nd, participated in a Zoom meeting of Mayors and CAOs from throughout the County to discuss responses to COVID-19

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE, MINUTES, ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1 AMDS Board Meeting Highlights – March 24
- 10.2 Correspondence – MMAH - Provincial Update to Heads of Council March 25
- 10.3 Correspondence – Joint Minister letter to Heads of Council March 27
- 10.4 Notice – Yard debris and large item pickup spring 2020
- 10.5 Minutes – Joint Health and Safety Committee – March 11
- 10.6 Outstanding Action Items

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

Councillor McCallum suggested that something should be done to recognize medical and first aid responders as they put themselves at risk during the pandemic. He suggested a message of support on the website. Councillor Nelemans agreed and suggested a banner or similar signage in support of front line workers. Deputy Mayor Zinn supported the idea. Councillor Freiburger suggested that the Bluevale Community Committee has a notice board, and that perhaps staff could arrange for a message to be displayed there. Direction was given to staff to present options at the next meeting of Council.

12.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**12.1 SITE PLAN CONTROL**

At the March 17th meeting of Council, staff were directed to return the draft Site Plan Control By-law to a future meeting of Council. By-law 18-2020 was provided for consideration.

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jim Nelemans

MOTION 92-2020 THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 18-2020, being a by-law to designate a site plan control area pursuant to Section 41 of The Planning Act (R.S.O. 1990), and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of April 2020.

Carried.

12.2 APPOINTMENT OF DRAINAGE COMMISSIONERS

At the March 17th meeting of Council, staff were directed to return a by-law appointing commissioners under section 95 of the Drainage Act, and repealing previous appointments. By-law 19-2020 was provided for consideration.

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION 93-2020 THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 19-2020, being a by-law to appoint Drainage Commissioners under section 95(1) of the Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. D.17, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of April 2020.

Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION**13.1 ENTER CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 94-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session, with the CAO/Clerk and Director of Public Works remaining in attendance at 9:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pursuant to the following sections of the Municipal Act:

- 1) Section 239 (2) (b) regarding an identifiable individual;
- 2) Section 239 (2) (c) regarding the disposition of land;

Carried.

13.2 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

MOTION 95-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at 10:00 p.m.

Carried.

13.3 REPORT AND ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council discussed matters regarding an identifiable individual and the disposition of land, and direction was given to staff accordingly.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jim Nelemans

MOTION 96-2020 THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 10-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on April 7th, 2020, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of April 2020.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

MOTION 97-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 10:00 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

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| 1. Regular Meeting of Council | Tuesday, April | 21 th 2019, 7:30 pm |
| 2. Regular Meeting of Council | Tuesday, May | 5 th 2019, 7:30 pm |

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam

**Morris Turnberry
Account List for**

Account List April 21 2020.xlsx

April 21 2020

General

Hydro One	Morris Office	401.67	
Hydro One	Streetlights	1,008.14	
Hydro One	Belgrave Development	134.92	
Huron Clean	Office Cleaning	271.20	
MicroAge Basics	Office Supplies	606.09	
Pitneyworks	Postage	1,709.95	
CIBC VISA	OGRA Conf. - Room Deposit Returned	-758.01	
	Coffee Supplies	129.50	
	First Aid Supplies	539.58	
	AMO Conference - Registration	959.37	
	Water	41.46	
	Land Registry Information	58.56	
	AMCTO Conference - Hotel Room Deposit	137.16	
	AMCTO Conference - Registration	<u>778.01</u>	1,885.63
Aird Berlis	Legal		314.14
Donnelly Murphy	Legal		678.00
March Canada Limited	Insurance		45,508.68
Ideal Supply	Hall Generator Maintenance		365.33
Payroll			
April 15 2020	Payroll		16,211.00
	Expenses		<u>70.76</u>

General Total 69,165.51

Building Department

CIBC VISA	OBOA Course	169.50	
	Return Dry Erase Board	<u>(81.45)</u>	88.05
Foxton Fuels	Fuel		285.63
Payroll			
April 15 2020	Payroll		9,385.11
	Expenses		<u>-</u>

Building Total 9,758.79

Property Standards

Property Standards Total -

Drainage

Drainage Total -

Parks & Cemeteries

Hydro One	Kinsmen Park	30.60	
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Parks & Cemeteries Total 30.60

Belgrave Water

Hydro One	Belgrave Water	1,108.53	
Hydro One	Humphrey Well	219.48	
Allstream	Phone	52.08	
Kincardine Cable	Internet	41.75	
Hay Communications	VPN for Belgrave Water	11.33	

Water Total 1,433.17

Landfill

Hydro One	Morris Landfill	380.78	
CIBC VISA	Land Registry Information	36.61	
Bluewater Recycling Association	April Curbside Pickup	13,029.28	
Bluewater Recycling Association	March Waste Disposal	2,765.00	
RJ Burnside & Associates Limited	Morris Landfill	<u>5,650.14</u>	

21,861.81

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Roads

Hydro One	Morris Shop	200.83	
Hydro One	Turnberry Shop	349.43	
Purolator	Courier	41.64	
CIBC VISA	OGRA Conference - Meals	42.84	
	OGRA Conference - Parking	177.00	
	Driver Abstracts & Accident Report	<u>36.00</u>	255.84
Foxton Fuels	Fuel		11,266.95
Steffen's Auto Supply	Shop Supplies		505.27
McDonalds Home Hardware	Shop Supplies & Sign Posts		2,338.27
Radar Auto Parts	Parts for 13-03 Grader, 19-06 Tandem, 06-04 Grader		360.52
Huron Tractor	Part for 13-03 Grader		155.23
McGavin Farm Equipment	Parts for 06-04 Grader		48.62
Strongco	Part for 06-04 Grader		25.00
Ryan Construction	March Winter Maintenance		6,852.00
Tony Peachey	Snow Removal - Chestnut Street		1,163.90
Ontario Good Roads Association	Road School		339.00
North Huron Publishing Company Inc.	Tree Planting Ads		124.30
Midwestern Newspapers Corp	Tree Planting Ads		169.50
Municipality of Morris-Turnberry	Turnberry Shop Water		108.52
Municipality of Morris-Turnberry	Municipal Drains		1,118.13
Payroll			
April 15 2020	Payroll		19,683.94
	Expenses		-
	Roads Total		45,106.89
	Account Total		147,356.77

Approved By Council:

April 21 2020

Mayor - Jamie Heffer

Treasurer- Sean Brophy



Report to the Council on November 19th, 2019

Subject: Winter Maintenance in particular with regard to complaints from April 16, 2020

Presented by: Mike Alcock

- **Recommendation:** That the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry receive the Report on winter maintenance operations for information.

Executive Summary:

On April 17, 2020 a notice was sent by email regarding some complaints arising from the previous days winter maintenance operations on Morris-Turnberry Roads. The following is a list of complaints from that morning:

1. The road did not need ploughed as the sun would have melted it off in the next half hour for all the snow that was on it.
2. On a normal day the plough does not go down Cranbrook Road until after the buses go, so they did not see why the urgency to plough early on April 16th.
3. A lot of gravel was plowed into the ditches when another 1/2 hour it would not have been necessary to plow.
4. Main concern and complaint was that we are buying packers to save gravel and pack it down and in the 60 years he has lived on Cranbrook he has never seen so much gravel in the ditch as he has in the past 2 years.
5. He feels some common sense could have been used at this time instead of the regular ploughing protocol.
6. The packers are a good idea, but does not see that they are saving any gravel if common sense is not used.
7. With such a light winter why do they have so much gravel in the ditches compared to other years.
8. One additional complaint was received directly to Public Works regarding a resident that had their lawn swept at the beginning of April and now there is gravel on their lawn from plowing on April 16th. They said "it seems their lawn is the only area with gravel on it and they don't know if someone has it in for them or not."

Comments:

Ontario Regulation 239/02 is a regulation made under the Municipal Act which provides a defense to Municipalities as long as they adhere to the standards outlined in it. It is known as the Minimum Maintenance Standards (MMS) for Municipal Highways. The MMS covers many aspects of municipal maintenance from potholes to plowing, ice control, patrolling, weather monitoring and many others.

With regard to weather monitoring the MMS states:

3.1 (1) From October 1 to April 30, the standard is to monitor the weather, both current and forecast to occur in the next 24 hours, once every shift or three times per calendar day, whichever is more frequent, at intervals determined by the municipality. O. Reg. 47/13, s. 3; O. Reg. 366/18, s. 4

The above standard is observed by the Municipality and for the 24-hour period preceding the morning of April 16, 2020 the forecast indicated temperatures of about -4°C with a 15% chance of precipitation and a snow accumulation of 0cm.

The above forecast would still trigger a road patrol, due to the temperature and especially since there is a lot of moisture in some roads that could freeze. Below is the standard for patrolling winter roads:

(2) If it is determined by the municipality that the weather monitoring referred to in section 3.1 indicates that there is a substantial probability of snow accumulation on roadways, ice formation on roadways or icy roadways, the standard for patrolling highways is, ... to check for such conditions. O. Reg. 47/13, s. 2; O. Reg. 366/18, s. 3 (2).

The Points below are referenced with numbers that correlate to the items above.

1. Although there was no snow accumulation at the start of the patrol, by 7am between 5 and 8cm had accumulated as measured by the Foreman and observed by the Director before the snow ended. The temperature was -8°C in the wake of the streamer and both of our tandems were dispatched.

All of the graders have had their plow equipment removed due to the premature “end” to winter and the need to grade roads to get them in shape. Only the tandems were ready to go.

The winter maintenance response on April 16th, 2020 was mainly to prevent the formation of ice on the roadway beneath the snow. The ground has no frost in it and snow quickly turns to ice on the unfrozen road

The standard for Ice Formation on Roads is below:

Ice formation on roadways and icy roadways

5. (1) The standard for the prevention of ice formation on roadways is doing the following in the 24-hour period preceding an alleged formation of ice on a roadway:

- 1. Monitor the weather in accordance with section 3.1.**
- 2. Patrol in accordance with section 3.**
- 3. If the municipality determines, as a result of its activities under paragraph 1 or 2, that there is a substantial probability of ice forming on a roadway, treat the roadway, if practicable, to prevent ice formation within the time set out in Table 1 to this section, starting from the time**

that the municipality determines is the appropriate time to deploy resources for that purpose. O. Reg. 366/18, s. 8.

(2) If the municipality meets the standard set out in subsection (1) and, despite such compliance, ice forms on a roadway, the roadway is deemed to be in a state of repair until the applicable time set out in Table 2 to this section expires after the municipality becomes aware of the fact that the roadway is icy. O. Reg. 366/18, s. 8.

The Public Works Department followed the standards and did not expose the Municipality to unnecessary liability. Speculation that the snow would have melted in the next half hour is inaccurate. Many gravel shoulders and bare fields still were still snow covered at 5pm and many unplowed areas still had snow left on them this morning. Left unplowed, the snow that had accumulated on roads would have been packed down by traffic and turned to ice long before it melted.

2. On a normal day Cranbrook Road is plowed between 5am and 5:30am, long before school busses are on the road. On April 16th, we were in the situation of only having 2 pieces of equipment available and snow plowing began at 7am starting with the heaviest travelled roads in the areas affected by the streamers. That included all pavement followed by concessions.
3. Snow plows run on shoes that ride on the surface of the road. When there are saturated spots on the road, the road cannot always support the weight of the plow and then the plow digs in. This is not desirable for anyone, especially the operator. The operator had the plow rolled back as far as it would go on April 16th. This operation is commonly used when the roads are soft and saturated. It reduces the aggressiveness of the plow and the chance of it digging into the gravel.

Waiting for the snow to melt is not an option or an appropriate defense to a catastrophic accident.

4. Packing the gravel on a road using a pull behind roller on a grader helps save losing gravel from regular traffic. It is no match for the blade on a one way which will still dig in especially on saturated soft roads at this time of year. The effect of frost in the road is that any moisture freezes and expands. This in essence unpacks the gravel until it can dry thoroughly to the optimum moisture content and be worked back into a compacted state using graders. The addition of the roller improves this but cannot eliminate it. The rollers provide a better riding surface and reduce the amount of fines lost to the air and stones that roll off to the grass line.

In addition, winters like the past couple of winters with several freeze thaw cycles lead to additional ice blading. Ice blading has become a process of bringing grit to the surface to provide traction. In the distant past 30+ years ago, the goal for ice blading was to groove the ice to provide lateral protection from sliding off the road. Vehicles drove at a speed that maintained control of their vehicle on those roads. Ice blading is a necessary part of winter maintenance according to the MMS.

5. The regular winter maintenance protocol is in accordance with Provincial Legislation and the MMS. Deviating from those standards exposes the Municipality to unnecessary liability. Deviation from the

MMS can be accommodated through a Resolution of Council. The affect of that will alleviate staff from personal liability and eliminate the ability to use of the MMS as a defense.

6. The use of packers in the opinion of our patroller that drives an estimated 25,000km per year on Morris-Turnberry gravel roads is a great benefit. It improves ride quality and there are notably fewer stones cast to the side of the road and less fines lost to the air.
7. See second half of answer number 4.
8. The call that came directly from a Morris-Turnberry resident to Public Works was with regard to gravel on their lawn. They had paid to have their lawn swept in early April. I informed the rate payer that plowing snow through towards the end of April is not uncommon and waiting to have lawn maintenance such as sweeping completed should wait until a little later. The result of having their lawn swept left piles of gravel from winter plowing along the side of the road. These piles were not visible under the snow and were subsequently plowed off onto the lawn again. Most of that gravel will be able to be retrieved during our reclaiming program.

Budget:

There is no budget impact associated with this report.

Thank you.



Mike Alcock,
Director of Public Works



Report To: Mayor Heffer and Members of Council
Prepared By: Kirk Livingston, Chief Building Official
Date: April 16, 2020
Subject: Building Department Report during Covid 19
Attachments:

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris Turnberry hereby receive the Building Department Report for Covid 19 operations for information purposes.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Building Departments main objective is to provide the best professional service to administer and enforce the Ontario Building Code. Through the examination of plans, issuance of building permits, and performing inspections, we ensure compliance with building standards of the Ontario Building Code and ensure health and safety, fire protection and structural sufficiency in all buildings in which we live, work and play.

The Chief Building Official provides bi-monthly updates to Council on the operations of the Shared Services Building Department.

DISCUSSION

This report is to inform Council on the day to day operation and functions of the building department during Covid 19 .

Our department is still operating and accepting applications for construction or demolition. Drawings and applications can be dropped off in the drop box at the Municipal office or electronically sent. Zoning certificates continue to be issued, plans review continues for construction projects and building permits will be issued for all types of construction. Building permits can be paid for by cheque, and a receipt will be mailed or emailed to the applicant.

The applicants will be notified when the building permit is ready, they will receive the permit, the approved drawings, a receipt if paid along with paperwork referencing the most recent Provincial order and list of essential services / businesses that can continue with construction.

The building department will not be inspecting any projects that proceed and are deemed non-essential, inspections will only continue on essential work place sites where permits are in place and or issued. See list <https://www.ontario.ca/page/list-essential-workplaces>

Daily open-air site inspections continue with projects while self distancing, along with inside building inspections performed while no one is in the building (unoccupied).

This method of operation has been well received with homeowners, contractors, builders and trades in the area, and we will continue with this.

Regards

Kirk Livingston, Chief Building Official



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Prepared by: Trevor Hallam

Date: April 21st 2020

Subject: Support of Front Line and Essential Workers

Recommendation:

That direction be given to staff to post a message of support and thanks to front line and essential workers on the municipal website.

Background:

At the April 7th meeting of Council Councillor McCallum suggested that efforts be made to recognize volunteers during this time. Council was supportive of the idea, and asked staff to return suggestions for expressing Council's support and recognition.

It is recommended that any messaging focus on front line and essential workers, as this is more inclusive while still in keeping with the support and thanks Council wishes to express.

The Municipality has limited access to notice boards or other highly visible public messaging tools. There were suggestions of banners or other signage, but with no public traffic at the municipal office, the effectiveness of a banner in terms of visibility is likely to be minimal, making it difficult to justify the potential expense. The municipal website is an excellent place for a message of support to be posted, and it is the recommendation of staff to post a message of support there.

Staff are in contact with the Chair of the Bulevale Community Committee regarding the roadside sign they have. The message currently displayed there is "Stay Home. Stay Safe" Council may wish to consider whether replacing this message with one of support is the best course of action.

Others Consulted:

Kim Johnston, Deputy Clerk

Randy Greenaway, Chair, Bluevale Community Committee

Respectfully submitted,

Trevor Hallam



March 23, 2020

By Fax to: 613.941.6900 & Twitter @CanadianPM, @JustinTrudeau

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Langevin Block,
Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Direct Payment of Federal Funds to Municipalities to Waive Property Taxes for the Year 2020 - Financial help to alleviate the suffering from COVID-19 Pandemic

It is trite to repeat the human and financial toll of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Similarly, the commitment of the federal, provincial and municipal governments toward alleviating the suffering of Canadians does not require repeating.

We, at the Town of Midland, in the Province of Ontario, are proposing what we believe to be a simple but effective solution to facilitate the delivery of our common and shared commitment to the financial and psychological well-being of all Canadians.

Proposal:

1. Residential Properties (primary residence only)

- a. Waive 100% of the 2020 property taxes for all residential properties currently assessed at or below \$ 500,000.00 by each governing provincial property assessment body; and
- b. Waive 50% of the 2020 property taxes for all residential properties currently assessed below \$ 1,000,000.00; and
- c. Waive 25% of the 2020 property taxes for all residential properties currently assessed above \$1,000,000.00.

2. Industrial, Commercial and Farm Properties

- a. Waive 100% of the 2020 property taxes for all; industrial, commercial and farm properties currently assessed at under \$ 10,000,000.00; and
- b. Waive 50% of the property taxes for the year 2020 for all industrial, commercial and farm properties currently assessed between \$10,000,000.00 and \$ 50,000,000.00; and
- c. Waive 25% of the property taxes for the year 2020 for all industrial, commercial and farm properties assessed above \$50,000,000.00.

3. Federal Transfer Payment to Canadian Municipalities

- a. In lieu of the annual municipal property taxes, the Federal Government transfers funds to municipalities across Canada, as a one-time grant.

Advantages of the Proposal:

1. Quick and timely relief;
2. Direct relief to all Canadian homeowners and the business community;
3. Directly protects Canadians who although may be solvent, are unable to easily meet the financial pressures beyond their personal capacity due to COVID-19;
4. No additional resources required to assess individual need and delivery of the relief;
5. Negligible overhead costs for the disbursement of the relief. In fact, it may cut-down on some of the work for municipal staff; and
6. The financial stimulus received from the federal government will come into circulation immediately and will stay in the community.

There are a multitude of other direct and indirect financial and non-financial benefits that will result from the implementation of this proposal. The biggest non-financial impact is that Canadians will see an immediate financial relief respecting the pressures to make their property tax payments and be better positioned to address other essential needs. In turn, removing this added stress will provide some relief to the already strained financial and health systems.

As you are aware, Canadians are entering this time of crisis with a very high amount of house-hold debt and a great deal of financial fragility. Taking this simple step should alleviate some of those pressures. At the same time, it will keep your municipal governments, and school boards primed for continued productivity and forward momentum to address the fallout from COVID-19.

Thanking you in anticipation of a favourable response.

Sincerely,

The Corporation of the Town of Midland



Stewart Strathearn,
Mayor
ssrathearn@midland.ca



Amanpreet Singh Sidhu,
Chief Administrative Officer
asidhu@midland.ca

- c: Town of Midland Council
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Province of Ontario

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April 4, 2020

Dear Head of Council:

**Subject: Operation of Seasonal Trailer Parks and Recreational Campgrounds –
Amended Essential Business Order as of April 3, 2020**

Nothing is more important than protecting the health and well-being of Ontarians. Since first learning of COVID-19, Ontario has taken decisive action to contain the spread of this new virus.

Based on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, the province has declared an emergency so that we can take immediate action to stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect the public. On Tuesday, March 24th, the province ordered the mandatory closure of all non-essential workplaces pursuant to Ontario Regulation 82/20 under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*. On April 3, 2020 the province released an amended list of essential workplaces and ordered all businesses not covered by the amended emergency order to close their physical locations effective as of Saturday, April 4, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

Seasonal trailer parks and recreational campgrounds are not listed as essential businesses and, as such, are required to be closed as of 11:59 p.m. today.

We recognize Ontario “snowbirds” are returning to Canada earlier than they normally would. In some instances, seasonal trailer parks and campgrounds may have been opened earlier than usual to permit individuals to take up temporary accommodation in their mobile homes, recreational vehicles or trailers. For Ontarians whose only Canadian residence is at one of these seasonal trailer parks or campgrounds, they are permitted to continue their occupancy and complete their mandatory self-isolation as required by the mandatory isolation order made by the federal government under the *Quarantine Act* which took effect on March 25, 2020.

Everyone has a role to play in stopping the spread of COVID-19 and we are asking that our enforcement partners assist in this effort. We encourage you to assist in enforcement efforts to ensure that seasonal trailer parks and/or campgrounds are not being used for recreational purposes. We encourage you to work with park operators and local public health officials in this regard, including to take into consideration the continued need for accommodation of those individuals outlined above.

Officers are encouraged to undertake a graduated approach to enforcement of the emergency orders, which may include educational messaging to businesses around the emergency order, specific warnings, the issuance of a ticket under Part I of the Provincial Offences Act (POA) or a summons under Part III of the POA. Officers are also encouraged to review the applicable provincial and federal emergency orders, and to continue to monitor [ontario.ca/alert](https://www.ontario.ca/alert) for any updates or changes to provincial orders.

By staying home and avoiding contact with others we can stop the spread of COVID-19.

Thank you for your continued cooperation on this matter.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs
and Housing



Sylvia Jones
Solicitor General

Belgrave Summary

March, 2020

FLOWS

McCrea	1,939.64	M3
Jane	500.28	M3
<u>Total</u>	2,439.92	M3

Treated Flow

Total	2,195.94	M3
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TURBIDITIES (Raw)

<u>McCrea</u>				<u>Jane</u>			
Max:	0.16	NTU		Max:	0.14	NTU	
Min:	0.12	NTU		Min:	0.13	NTU	
Average:	0.14	NTU		Average:	0.13	NTU	

CHEMICAL USE

Total Dosage

Cl2 Dosage			
Average:	2.75	ppm	
Total Cl2 Used:	6.05	kg	

Online

Cl2 Residual (free)			
Max:	1.53	ppm	
Min:	1.40	ppm	
Average:	1.45	ppm	

Potassium Permanganate	147.50	L	
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Grab

Cl2 Residual (free)			
Max:	1.51	ppm	
Min:	1.36	ppm	
Average:	1.44	ppm	

BACTERIOLOGICAL TESTING

Treated Water to Distribution

Treated Total Counts		
Tests Done:	5	
E.Coli Found:	0	
Total Coliform Found:	0	

Treated Heterotrophic Plate Counts		
Tests Done:	5	
Counts >500/ml:	0	

Distribution Water

Tests Done:	10	
E.Coli Found:	0	
Total Coliform Found:	0	

Treated Heterotrophic Plate Counts		
Tests Done:	5	
Counts >500/ml:	0	

Jane Raw Water

Raw Total Counts		
Tests Done:	5	
E.Coli Found:	0	
Total Coliform Found:	0	

McCrae Raw Water

Raw Total Counts		
Tests Done:	5	
E.Coli Found:	0	
Total Coliform Found:	0	

CHLORINATION ON DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Belgrave

Cl2 Residual (free)

Max:	1.30	ppm
Min:	1.18	ppm
Average:	1.25	ppm
Sites Tested:	18	
Sites Tested < 0.05:	0	

Operators that operated the system.

<u>Cory Dulong</u>	Water Treatment-Class 2	88942	May 31, 2022
<u>John Graham</u>	Water Treatment-Class 3	11535	April 30, 2022
<u>Nancy Mayhew</u>	Water Treatment-Class 2	16185	January 31/2021
<u>Gary Nicholson</u>	Water Treatment-Class 2	95123	July 31, 2022
<u>Ben Nethery</u>	Water Treatment - Class 1	98589	Sept 30/2020
<u>Ryan MacKay</u>	Water Treatment - OIT	OT100634	April 30, 2021

The required testing was completed to the best of our knowledge.



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April 8, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford – Premier of Ontario

Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

At the February 20th, 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority correspondence from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford addressed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario was received and discussed. It was noted that SVCA staff do not have the authority to remove a Provincially Significant Wetland (PSW) designation. After further discussion the following motion was passed:

MOTION #G20-22

Moved by Barbara Dobreen
Seconded by Steve McCabe

Be it resolved that Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) receive and support the correspondence from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford;

And whereas the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) agrees there is a lack of field-developed science to support the Provincially Significant Wetland areas designated across the province;

and whereas SVCA's recent experience is evidence that a desktop examination of maps and aerial photography are inadequate science for this designation and greatly impacts municipalities and their ratepayers.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Saugeen Valley Consideration Authority hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide supporting evidence-based data with respect to the wetland designations; and

That this letter, along with the Village of Merrickville-Wolford correspondence be forwarded to the Honorable Premier Doug Ford, Conservation Ontario, Bruce and Grey Counties and SVCA member municipalities.

CARRIED



Watershed Member Municipalities

Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Municipality of Brockton, Township of Chatsworth, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Town of Hanover, Township of Howick, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, Municipality of South Bruce, Township of Huron-Kinloss, Municipality of Kincardine, Town of Minto, Township of Wellington North, Town of Saugeen Shores, Township of Southgate, Municipality of West Grey

We appreciate that this will require significant time and effort on the part of the Provincial Ministry and its staff, however, the lack of this type of data presents serious challenges and potential conflicts to property owners, municipalities, and Conservation Authorities in the exercising of their rights and duties.

Yours truly,



Dan Gieruszak

Chair, Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority

Attachment: 3 page document from Merrickville-Wolford....

- c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
- Kim Gavine, CAO, Conservation Ontario
- Bruce County
- Grey County
- SVCA Member Municipalities

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VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

February 5, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON, M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

Please find attached the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's Resolution No. R-029-20, with respect to the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.

While the attached resolution is tailored to a Village-specific issue, it is Council's position that the concerns expressed therein are being experienced by municipalities Province-wide.

Thank you in advance for the consideration that you give this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Robertson".

Doug Robertson
CAO/Clerk/Director, Economic Development

c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Andy Brown, CAO of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
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All Ontario municipalities

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For Clerk's use only, if required:
Recorded Vote Requested By:

Cameron	Y	N
Foster	Y	N
Halpenny	Y	N
Molloy	Y	N
Struthers	Y	N

Resolution Number: R - 029 - 20

Date: January 27, 2020

Moved by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

Seconded by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

WHEREAS the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is endeavouring to adopt a new Official Plan as required per Section 17 of the *Planning Act* and the Village is required to incorporate the Provincial Policy Statements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statements require the Village to provide in its Official Plan the updated provisions of new and expanded Provincially Significant Wetlands designations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that the expansion of these wetlands is detrimentally affecting certain landowners and the Village's assessment base;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands have occurred throughout the Province of Ontario without the provision of supporting evidence;



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AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned about the expansion of the Provincially Significant Wetlands in the Northeast quadrant of the Village;

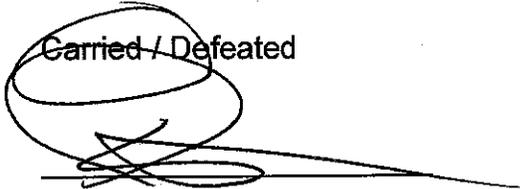
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that these wetlands designations have been expanded without the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry having provided to the Village supporting evidence to justify said expansion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide the Village with supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of these wetlands designations;

AND THAT the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re-evaluate the subject properties without delay;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried / Defeated


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor



CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

BY-LAW NO. 22-2020

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, for its meeting held on April 21st, 2020.

WHEREAS Section 8 of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS Section 5. (3) of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under Section 8, shall be exercised by by-law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry for the April 21st, 2020 meeting be confirmed and adopted by By-law;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enacts as follows::

1. The action of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry at its meeting held the 21st day of April, 2020, in respect of each recommendation contained in the Minutes and each motion and resolution passed and other action taken by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry at the meeting, is hereby adopted and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-Law; and
2. The Mayor and proper officials of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby authorize and direct all things necessary to give effect to the action of the Council to the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry referred to in the preceding section thereof;
3. The Mayor and CAO/Clerk are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf and to affix thereto the Seal of the Corporation.

Read a FIRST and SECOND time this 21st day of April 2020

Read a THIRD time and FINALLY PASSED this 21st day of April 2020

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam