



MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

COUNCIL MINUES

Tuesday, July 7th 2020, 7:30 pm

The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry met electronically in regular session on the 7th day of July, 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
Marty Bedard	Fire Chief
Mike Alcock	Director of Public Works
Kirk Livingston	CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer.

Others in Attendance

Denny Scott	The Citizen
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1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 155-2020	THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the agenda for the meeting of July 7 th 2020 as circulated.	Carried.
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3.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4.0 MINUTES

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

MOTION 156-2020	THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the June 16 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 157-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby approves for payment the July 7th accounts in the amount of \$270,280.26. Carried.

5.2 PAY REPORTS

Copies of the June 24th Pay Reports were provided for information purposes.

6.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND DEPUTATIONS

None.

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.1 FIRE DEPARTMENT

Annual reports were presented by Fire Chief Marty Bedard for the Huron East and North Huron Fire Departments.

Fire Chief Bedard noted that a fire ban has been put in effect by the Huron East and North Huron Fire departments.

Councillor Nelemans asked about the reporting process for open burns, noting that some residents have said that when they leave a voicemail regarding their intention to have an open burn they do not hear back and so are unsure if their message is received.

Fire Chief Bedard explained that in Huron East there is a controlled burn application form that is filled out online and gets directly emailed staff, following which a response can be given by email. With the voicemails being forwarded as is currently done, some details are not always provided, and it is more difficult to get back to people in time. Phone messages could still be used but moving more requests to email would be preferable. Mr. Bedard and Mr. Hallam will discuss implementing this option at another time.

Mayor Heffer thanked Mr. Bedard for the reports and asked him to relay Council's thanks for the work that the firefighters on both departments

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION 158-2020 THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby adopts the Annual Reports for the Huron East and North Huron Fire Departments as presented. Carried.

7.2 BUILDING

A report was presented by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding building department activities for May and June.

7.3 BY- LAW ENFORCEMENT

A report was presented by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer Kirk Livingston regarding by-law enforcement activities for May and June.

7.4 PUBLIC WORKS

7.4.1 In Kind Donation to G to G Trail

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

Councillor McCallum stated that providing an in kind donation such as this sets a dangerous precedent, and that grants were to be reduced as per Council's discussions in the strategic planning session and budget deliberations.

Councillor Nelemans asked Mr. Alcock to clarify whether the ditching work described must be done anyway. Mr. Alcock confirmed that the ditching does need to be done to direct the water to the east which will cross the G to G Trail.

Councillor McCallum clarified that the he agrees that the ditching work must be done, it's the additional cost for the work to the trail association he is opposed to.

Councillor Freiburger noted that contributing to the trail in this way could be seen as providing a service to our residents, as there are likely Morris-Turnberry residents that use the trail.

Mayor Heffer, noted that if the municipality did this work this year it could be a help to the trail association. He suggested that the offer be made to the trail association that the requested work be done at cost while the municipality is doing other required work in the area. While this isn't a donation of the full amount, there will likely still be a considerable savings for the trail association by doing it this way..

Councillors Nelemans and McCallum agreed with Mayor Heffer's suggested approach.

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jim Nelemans

MOTION 159-2020 THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby authorizes the Director of Public Works offer to do the work requested by the G to G trail association valued at approximately \$930.00 in time and materials on a cost recovery only basis, when other work is being done by the Municipality in the area.

Carried.

The motion was carried unanimously.

7.4.2 Blind Line Bridge Engineering Services Proposal

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

Councilor Nelemans noted that this bridge represents a considerable expense that benefits few residents, and asked if the municipality had to proceed at this point.

Councillor McCallum noted that this was approved during budget deliberations.

Deputy Mayor Zinn noted that if this funding is used for this project it could be some time before other funding is received by the municipality. She also asked how many residents actually use this bridge.

Councillor Freiburger stated that something needs to be done with the bridge, and the funding was applied for specifically for this project. He noted that many snowmobiles and ATVs use the bridge, as well as the landowners and resident on the other side, as well as their many agricultural suppliers.

Mayor Heffer, clarified that there was an opportunity to apply for funding, this project fit the criteria and the application was successful. It is Council's responsibility is to follow through on what was started.

Councillor Nelemans noted that he finds it surprising that the provincial and federal government approved this project.

Mr. Alcock explained that the question of how many people used the bridge was raised during the application review process, the answer given was the structure is part of the municipality's inventory, and as such we are required to maintain it, including regular maintenance and replacement. It is a financial burden on the entire municipality when it needs to be replaced, not just on the few people that use it.

Councillor Nelemans requested a recorded vote.

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

MOTION 160-2020 THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby accept the proposal submitted by B.M. Ross and Associates Limited for MT 20-C01 Replacement of the Blind Line Bridge on Abraham Line based on the scoring criteria established in the RFP for the estimated cost of \$141,000 excluding allowances and HST, for Engineering Design and Future Contract Administration, and further that the Mayor and CAO / Clerk be authorized to execute all required documents.

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

Carried.

7.5 CLERK

7.5.1 Approved Undisputed Consent C33-2019

A report regarding the approval of an undisputed consent was provided to Council for information purposes.

7.5.2 Digital Main Street/Digital Service Squad Support

A report in this regard was provided to Council for information purposes.

8.0 **BUSINESS**

8.1 FALL NEWSLETTER

The newsletter that will accompany the fall tax bill mailing was provided for information and comment.

9.0 **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Sharen Zinn

Attended a meeting of the Brussels Medical and Dental Committee meeting. She noted that the elevator has been installed.

Jamie McCallum

No report.

Jim Nelemans

July 2nd attended a meeting of the Brussels Fire Board.

Kevin Freiburger

June 17th attended a Maitland Valley Conservation Authority Board meeting.

Jamie Heffer

No report.

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

- 10.1 Letter of Support – Long Term Care Funding and Commission – Chatham Kent
- 10.2 Letter of Support – Alzheimer's Society – Chatham Kent
- 10.3 Resolution – Support for Municipal Financial Assistance Program – Town of Bracebridge
- 10.4 Resolution – Broadband Access – Grey County
- 10.5 Resolution – Rural Broadband – Municipality of Mississippi Mills
- 10.6 Resolution – Request for Order Requiring Masks – St. Marys
- 10.7 Resolution – Rent Assistance Program – Town of Kingsville
- 10.8 Correspondence – End of Planning Act Suspension – Minister Steve Clark
- 10.9 Meeting Highlights – June 23, 2020 – AMDSB

- 10.10 Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2020 – MVCA Board of Directors
- 10.11 Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2020 – MVCA Board of Directors
- 10.12 Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2020 – Maitland Source Protection Authority
- 10.13 Media Release – Swift Broadband RFP – Huron County
- 10.14 SLED Program Guidelines – Huron County Economic Development
- 10.15 Outstanding Action Items

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Jim Nelemans

- MOTION 161-2020 THAT The Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby support and endorse:
- The resolution from the Town of Bracebridge regarding the support for municipal financial assistance program;
 - The resolution from the Grey County regarding broadband access;
 - The resolution from the Municipality of Mississippi Mills regarding Rural Broadband;
 - The resolution from the Town of Kingsville regarding the rent assistance program.
- Carried.

11.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

12.0 **BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**

12.1 FLAG PROTOCOL POLICY

At the June 16th meeting of Council staff were directed to return the draft Flag Protocol Policy, as presented, to a future meeting for adoption by by-law. By-law 30-2020 was presented for that purpose.

Moved by Jamie McCallum
Seconded by Kevin Freiburger

- MOTION 162-2020 THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 30-2020, being a by-law to adopt a Flag Protocol Policy 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 July 2020.
- Carried.

12.2 SAUGEEN VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AGREEMENT

At the June 16th meeting of Council staff were directed to return the draft agreement with the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority for planning services to a future meeting for authorization by by-law and execution. By-law 31-2020 was presented for that purpose.

Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

- MOTION 163-2020 THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 31-2020, being a by-law to authorized the Mayor and Clerk to execute an agreement between the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry and the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority for the provision of planning services, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of July 2020.
- Carried.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION

13.1 ENTER CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Sharen Zinn

MOTION 164-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry enter a closed session, with the CAO/Clerk remaining in attendance at 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pursuant to the following sections of the Municipal Act:

- 1) Section 239 (2) (k) regarding negotiations to be carried on by the municipality.

Carried.

13.2 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Moved by Sharen Zinn
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 165-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry rise from a closed session at 9:09 p.m.

Carried.

13.3 REPORT AND ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council discussed two matters related to negotiations being carried on by the municipality and direction was given to staff accordingly.

14.0 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Jim Nelemans
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 166-2020 THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law # 32-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry meeting of Council held on July 7th, 2020, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of July 2020.

Carried.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Kevin Freiburger
Seconded by Jamie McCallum

MOTION 167-2020 THAT the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry does now adjourn at 9:10 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

- 1. Regular Meeting of Council Tuesday, July 21st 2020, 7:30 pm
- 2. Regular Meeting of Council Tuesday, August 18th 2020, 7:30 pm

Mayor, Jamie Heffer

Clerk, Trevor Hallam