

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

BY-LAW NO. 2020-19

BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 2019-41, BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

WHEREAS the Legislature of the Province of Ontario introduced Bill 187, an Act to amend the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, being the Municipal Emergency Act, 2020, which received Royal Assent on March 19th, 2020; and

WHEREAS The Municipal Emergency Act, 2020 provides for Municipal Councils to participate electronically during any period where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality under section 4 or 7.0.1 of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act; and

WHEREAS in order to be able to implement these provisions, Council must amend Procedural By-Law 2019-41; and

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Horton hereby **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **THAT** the following shall be added as Section 10.14 to Procedural By-Law 2019-41 and the remaining sections of the By-law shall be renumbered accordingly;

10.14 Electronic Participation at Meetings During Emergencies

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Procedural By-law and Sections 238 (3.1) and (3.2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, during any period where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality, under section 4 or 7.0.1 of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.9, a Member of Council may participate electronically in a Meeting that is either open or closed to the public and in doing so may be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of members is present at any point in time.

2. **THAT** this By-Law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the passing thereof.
3. **THAT** this By-law shall not be interpreted to contradict or violate any statute or regulation of the Province of Ontario.
4. **BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, that all By-Laws or parts thereof, and all or any Resolutions of Council contrary thereto, or inconsistent herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

READ a first and second time this 1st day of April, 2020.

READ a third time and passed this 1st day of April, 2020

MAYOR David M. Bennett

CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough