

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

There was a Regular Meeting of Council held via Zoom on Tuesday January 12, 2021. Present were Mayor David Bennett, Deputy Mayor Glen Campbell, Councillor Doug Humphries, and Councillor Tom Webster. Staff present was Hope Dillabough and Nichole Dubeau, Admin/Planning Assistant-Recording Secretary.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

Councillor Cleroux was present at 4:05 p.m.

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

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Webster

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

**THAT** Council adopt the Agenda for the January 12, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

**4. DELEGATIONS &/or PUBLIC MEETINGS**

*4:00 p.m. Zoning By-law Amendment – Cassidy*

**5. MINUTES**

5.1 December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – Regular Council

5.2 December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – Public Meeting

Moved by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-02**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

**THAT** Council approve the following Minutes:

- December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – Regular Council
- December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – Public Meeting

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:****7.1 PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Public Advisory Members Lisa Branje, Bob Johnston, and Bob Cassidy were present.

7.1.1 Consent Application B59/20 – William & Darlene Berger Admin/Planning Assistant Nichole Dubeau reviewed the report.

7.1.2 December Building Report  
Councillor Cleroux reviewed the report.

**7.2 RECREATION COMMITTEE**

7.2.1 Chair's Report – December 18<sup>th</sup>  
Chair Humphries reviewed the report.

7.2.2 Outdoor Rink Discussion  
Council members discussed and felt that due to the mild and uncooperative weather, as well as the Provincial announcement, Stay at Home and Lockdown order, it was in the best interest to close the outdoor rink for the season to keep everyone safe.

7.2.3 Casual Rink Attendant Position – 2020-2021 Season  
CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report. Council members were in agreeance to put the Rink Attendant wages for the season towards the Ladies Catering funds.

**7.3 COMMUNITY COMMITTEES / COUNTY COUNCIL**

7.3.1 Renfrew & Area Seniors Home Support  
There was no update.

7.3.2 Community Safety & Wellbeing Plan Committee  
There was no update.

7.3.3 Health Services Village  
Mayor Bennett stated that Michael Donohue was the new Chair of the Committee.

7.3.4 Chamber of Commerce  
There was no update.

7.3.5 County Council  
Mayor Bennett stated that Debbie Robinson was acclaimed a seat in the Easter Ontario Wardens Caucus.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY****8.1 INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE**

8.1.1 CAO/Clerk Information Memo  
Discussion went around the table with information previously distributed. Council members congratulated Public Works Manager, Adam Knapp on his Roads Supervisor's certificate, as well as Treasurer, Nathalie Moore and CAO/Clerk, Hope Dillabough on their 15-year service award with the Renfrew County Clerks and Treasurers' Association.

**8.2 ACTION CORRESPONDENCE****8.2.1 High Speed Internet Support**

Council members reviewed. Mayor Bennett stated that there needs to be more financial support from the Federal and Provincial governments so companies can broaden their coverage in rural areas.

**9. BYLAWS**

- 9.1 2021-01 Borrowing By-law
- 9.2 2021-02 Interim Taxes 2021
- 9.3 2021-03 Appoint Auditor
- 9.4 2021-04 Livestock Valuer
- 9.5 2021-05 Zoning By-law Amendment – Cassidy
- 9.6 2021-06 Assumption of Lands – Thomson Road
- 9.7 2021-07 Assumption of Lands – Pinnacle Road
- 9.8 2021-08 Off-Road Vehicle By-law

Councillor Cleroux requested that By-Law 2021-05 be separated from all of the By-laws to be passed separately.

Moved by Councillor Webster

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

**THAT** Council enact the following By-Laws:

- 2021-01 Borrowing By-law
- 2021-02 Interim Taxes 2021
- 2021-03 Appoint Auditor
- 2021-04 Livestock Valuer
- 2021-06 Assumption of Lands – Thomson Road
- 2021-07 Assumption of Lands – Pinnacle Road
- 2021-08 Off-Road Vehicle By-law

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04**

Seconded by Councillor Webster

**THAT** Council enact the following By-Law:

- 2021-05 Zoning By-law Amendment – Cassidy

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Councillor Cleroux declared pecuniary interest and did not vote.**

**Carried**

**10. NOTICE TO FILE MOTION FOR NEXT COUNCIL – NONE**

**11. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNS**

Councillor Webster stated he encourages the Municipal Office to be closed to the public to keep staff safe during the lockdown. Mayor Bennett thanked staff for keeping up-to-date and informing council members on COVID-19 restrictions and updates.

**12. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION – NONE****13. RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-05**

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**THAT** the Planning Committee and Council approve Consent B59/20, William & Darlene Berger, upon the following conditions being met:

- A Registered Plan of Survey;
- Applicant must enter into Consent Agreement with the Township;
- Lot Development fee of \$3824.00 be paid for each lot created;
- Favourable comments from Hydro One Networks Inc.;
- Favourable comments from TransCanada Pipelines;
- Favourable comments from the Ministry of Transportation;
- Favourable MDS1 calculations;
- Zoning by-law amendment for the severed lands to prohibit livestock.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Cleroux

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-06**

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**THAT** Council accept the December Building Report as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-07**

Seconded by Councillor Webster

**THAT** Council accept the Recreation Committee Chair's Report for December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-08**

**THAT** Council agree to close the Horton Outdoor Rink for the 2021 season.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Humphries  
Seconded by Councillor Webster

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-09**

**THAT** this recommendation further amends the scope of Resolution #2018-91 which states that any shortfalls from the 2018 Horton Festival Business Plan (Horton Hoedown) be paid from 2018 Working Fund Reserves, and that the funds would be returned to the Working Fund Reserves in 2019 through fundraising by the Recreation Committee;

**AND THAT** this recommendation further amends the scope of Resolution #2019-23 which states that any shortfalls from the 2019 Horton Hoedown Proposal be paid from the Recreation Building Reserves, and that the funds would be returned to the Recreation Building Reserve in 2020 through fundraising by the Horton Hoedown Committee;

**AND THAT** Resolution #2019-26 states that \$10,000.00 from the Ladies' Catering budget, be put toward the 2018 Hoedown Festival deficit and to be subsequently returned by fundraising by the Horton Hoedown Committee in 2020;

**AND THAT** Council previously agreed, by Resolution #2019-26 to not hire a Casual Rink Attendant for the 2019 season and the work was undertaken by Recreation Volunteers so that the wages would be put towards the Hoedown's 2018 incurred deficit;

**AND FURTHER THAT** there remains to be a deficit from 2018 to be funded as well as a balance owing of \$10,000.00 to the Ladies' Catering Group;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council agree to not hire a Casual Rink Attendant for the 2020-2021 season;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the 2020-2021 Casual Rink Attendant wages be put towards the amount owed back by the Hoedown Committee to the Horton Ladies' catering budget in 2020.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-10**

**THAT** Council accept the CAO/Clerk's Information Memo for January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Council Webster  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-11**

**THAT** Council accept the Action Correspondence received from Jason Miller as information.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried****14. IN CAMERA (Closed) SESSION – None**

Moved by Council Webster  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-12**

**THAT** Council went into a Closed Session Meeting at 5:16 p.m. to discuss the following items pursuant to Section 239(2) (c) and (e) of the Municipal Act;

- (c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board – Recreation
- (e) Litigation or potential litigation – Farrell's Landing

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

Moved by Council Webster  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-13**

**THAT** Council came out of Closed (In-Camera) Session at 6:29 p.m. and discussed items pertaining to:

- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board – Recreation
- Litigation or potential litigation – Farrell's Landing

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

**15. CONFIRMING BYLAW**

Moved by Councill Webster  
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-14**

**THAT** Council enact By-law 2020-09 – Confirming By-Law.

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

**Carried**

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Bennett declared the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

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MAYOR David M. Bennett

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CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough