

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 20TH, 2021**

There was a Regular Meeting of Council held via Zoom on Tuesday April 20, 2021. Present were Mayor David Bennett, Deputy Mayor Glen Campbell, Councillor Doug Humphries, Councillor Cleroux, and Councillor Tom Webster. Staff present was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk, Nathalie Moore, Treasurer, Adam Knapp, Public Works Manager 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.

	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 Deputy Mayor Campbell
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-94

THAT Council adopt the Agenda for the April 20, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.
Carried

4. DELEGATIONS &/or PUBLIC MEETINGS

4.1 Public Budget Meeting – 4:00 p.m.

5. MINUTES

5.1 April 6th, 2021 – Regular Council
5.2 April 9th, 2021 – Special Council Meeting

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell
Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-97

THAT Council approve the following Minutes:

- April 6th, 2021 – Regular Council
- April 9th, 2021 – Special Council Meeting

Carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

7.1 GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

Public Advisory Members Susan Humphries and Spencer Hopping were present.

7.1.1 Financial Departmental Report & Statement

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report. She stated that any Request for Reconsiderations that are being submitted to MPAC for

COVID-19 relief in 2020 are being denied due to the assessment cycle starting in 2016, before COVID-19.

7.1.2 Request for Action Policy Report

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report. She added that Public Works Manager Adam Knapp took the reigns to update and make the changes to the policy, and Public Advisory Member Susan Humphries assisted with the wording.

7.2 TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

7.2.1 TES Chair's Report – April 7, 2021

Chair Webster reviewed the report. Mayor Bennett thanked Chair Webster and Public Works Manager Adam Knapp for their hard work and commitment to get the Whitton Road Rehabilitation on the 2021 Work Plan.

8. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY

8.1 INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

8.1.1 CAO/Clerk Information Memo

Discussion went around the table with information previously distributed.

8.2 ACTION CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

9. BYLAWS

9.1 2021-21 Sums Required for 2021

10. NOTICE TO FILE MOTION FOR NEXT COUNCIL – NONE

11. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNS

Councillor Cleroux questioned if there was an update from Cogeco from their delegation. CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough stated that Cogeco was preparing a draft agreement for Council to review. Mayor Bennett requested that council and staff consider starting the budget process for 2022 in September so it can be passed early 2022.

12. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION – NONE

13. RESOLUTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PUBLIC MEETING

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-98

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council adopts the 2021 budget with a levy of \$2,499,254, which represents a 2% levy increase.

AND FURTHER THAT if the municipality sees a year-end surplus in 2021 the amount of \$23,393 be placed back into the Working Reserves Fund.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-99

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council adopts the 2021 Capital Budget as presented.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-100

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

THAT the Council adopts the Ontario Regulation 284/09 Report for the 2021 Budget, as printed and circulated.

Carried

14. RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-101

THAT Council accept the Financial Departmental Report & Statement as information.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cleroux
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-102

THAT Council agree with staff recommendation to amend and update the current Complaint Policy with the attached draft Request for Action Policy;

AND THAT this be forwarded to the By-Law Section for the next Regular Council Meeting to be adopted into the Township's Policies accordingly.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster
Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-103

THAT Council accept the TES Committee Chair's Report as information.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cleroux
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-104

THAT upon recommendation from the TES Committee, Council agree with Staff recommendation to direct the additional Gas Tax allotted to Horton Township in 2021, totaling \$88,021.00, directly toward the Whitton Road (South) rehabilitation project and extending the HL4 surface the entire 1.6 kilometers of roadway;

AND FURTHER THAT the utilization of the extra Gas Tax funding offset the withdrawal of funds from the Infrastructure Reserves allocated toward this project.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-105

THAT Council accept the CAO/Clerk's Information Memo for April 20th, 2021.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-106

THAT Council adopt the following By-law:

- 2021-21 Sums Required for 2021

Carried**15. IN CAMERA (Closed) SESSION**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-107

THAT Council went into a Closed Session Meeting at 5:12 p.m. to discuss the following items pursuant to Section 239(2) (b) and (e) of the Municipal Act;

- (b) Litigation or potential litigation – Waste Tender Contract
- (e) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Personnel

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell
Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-108

THAT Council came out of Closed (In-Camera) Session at 5:47 p.m. and discussed items pertaining to:

- Litigation or potential litigation – Waste Tender Contract
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Personnel

Carried**16. CONFIRMING BYLAW**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell
Seconded by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-109

THAT Council enact By-law 2020-22 – Confirming By-Law.

Carried**17. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Bennett declared the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

MAYOR David M. Bennett

CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough