



**TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 14, 2020  
6:00 PM**

Council Chambers, 271 Sandwich Street South, Amherstburg, ON, N9V 2A5

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT**

Mayor Aldo DiCarlo  
Deputy Mayor Leo Meloche  
Councillor Peter Courtney  
Councillor Donald McArthur  
Councillor Michael Prue  
Councillor Marc Renaud  
Councillor Patricia Simone

Giovanni (John) Miceli, CAO  
Tammy Fowkes, Deputy Clerk  
Nicole Rubli, Deputy Clerk

Mayor DiCarlo was in attendance in Council Chambers. All other members of Council participated in the meeting through video conferencing technology from remote locations.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

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**ROLL CALL**

## **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest noted.

## **REPORT OUT FROM IN-CAMERA SESSION - March 9, 2020**

Council met on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, for a Special In-Camera Meeting at 7:45 p.m. and discussed the following (3) item as provided for under Section 239 of the Municipal Act:

**Item A** was heard under Section 239(2)(b). There is nothing further to report.

**Item B** was heard under Section 239(2)(b). There is nothing further to report.

**Item D** was heard under Section 239(2)(b). There is nothing further to report.

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Resolution # 20200414-128

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Meloche

**Seconded By** Councillor Simone

**That the minutes BE ADOPTED and that those confidential minutes of the closed sessions of Council remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with exemptions provided in the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:**

- 5.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2019**
- 5.2 Special In-Camera Council Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2019**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

## DELEGATIONS

### 6.1 Request to Remove Water Charges - Walter Afanasiew

Resolution # 20200414-129

**Moved By** Councillor Prue

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Meloche

**That:**

1. **The delegation BE RECEIVED;**
2. **Mr. Afanasiew, owner of 1287713 Ontario Ltd., pay the outstanding water charges billed against the property at 1175 Concession 2 N within 1 year, and that interest on the water charges BE WAIVED.**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

## CONSENT CORRESPONDENCE

Resolution # 20200414-130

**Moved By** Councillor Courtney

**Seconded By** Councillor McArthur

**That the following consent correspondence BE RECEIVED:**

- 7.1 **2020 Annual Show Book - Essex County Steam & Gas Engine Museum Inc.**
- 7.2 **2020 Amherstburg Policing Activities - First Quarter**
- 7.3 **Request for Direct Payment of Federal Funds to Municipalities to Waive Property Taxes for the Year 2020 - Town of Midland Resolution**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

Resolution # 20200414-131

**Moved By** Councillor Courtney

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Meloche

**That a 1/4 page, black and white advertisement in the amount of \$115.00 BE PLACED in the 2020 Annual Show Book for the Essex County Steam & Gas Engine Museum Inc.**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business brought forward.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Councillor Simone advised that she has received requests for more lighting on the north end of Kings Navy Yard Park.

The Director of Parks, Facilities, Recreation and Culture advised that the current lighting is functioning; however, Essex Power Corporation is responsible for and is currently addressing a transformer failure in which the lights are fed.

2. Resolution # 20200414-132

**Moved By** Councillor Simone

**Seconded By** Councillor Prue

**That the Economic Development Advisory Committee INVESTIGATE types of assistance that can be extended to small businesses as a result of the pandemic.**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

3. Councillor McArthur asked about staff layoffs and redeployments during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that 33 staff have been laid off and other staff have been redeployed as a result of the Town's emergency declared on March 17, 2020.

Resolution # 20200414-133

**Moved By** Councillor McArthur

**Seconded By** Councillor Prue

**That the Mayor write a letter to be published in the River Town Times in response to resident concerns regarding staff layoffs and staff redeployment during the COVID-19 pandemic and the potential shoreline flooding situation.**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

4. Councillor McArthur thanked all those who were making masks for the community and advised that masks can be purchased through the 'Masks4All' Facebook group.
5. Councillor Courtney advised that the Kingsbridge development was still occurring and asked if it was allowed to continue during the COVID-19 pandemic. He advised that the truck traffic has increased and there is a lot of mud left on the subdivision roads.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that, as per the Province, development is still allowed to proceed in this stage of the pandemic.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that it is the developer's responsibility to ensure the roads are being cleaned to the Town's standards and a letter is currently being drafted to all builders with respect to the cleanliness of the roads, and further, that their indemnity deposit will be used if necessary.

The Director of Engineering and Public Works advised that Texas Road is considered a collector road and trucks are permitted to use it as it designed for truck use.

6. Councillor Courtney advised of a new business, Amherstburg Cannabis Company, and asked if there was anything in place to protect Amherstburg's name and how it's used.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that he will investigate and get back to Council via email.

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

There were no Notices of Motion.

**BY-LAWS**

**11.1 By-law 2020-031 - Confirmatory By-law**

Resolution # 20200414-134

**Moved By** Councillor Renaud

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Meloche

**That By-law 2020-031 being a by-law to Confirm all Resolutions of the Municipal Council Meetings held on April 6th and 14th, 2020, be taken as having been read three times and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to sign same.**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By** Councillor Courtney

**Seconded By** Councillor Renaud

**That Council rise and adjourn at 7:54 p.m.**

The Mayor put the Motion.

**Motion Carried**

  
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MAYOR – ALDO DICARLO

  
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DEPUTY CLERK – TAMMY FOWKES