



# TOWNSHIP OF WILMOT

## **Council Meeting Agenda**

**Monday, June 22, 2020**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Virtual**

**7:00 P.M.**

This meeting is open to the public and is available through an online platform. Please subscribe to the [Township of Wilmot You Tube Channel](#) to watch the live stream or view after the meeting.

Delegations must register with the [Information and Legislative Services Department](#). The only matters being discussed at this meeting will be those on the Agenda.

- 1. MOTION TO CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)**
- 2. MOTION TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION (IF NECESSARY)**
- 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- 4. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
- 5. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**
- 6. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST UNDER THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT**
- 7. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

### **7.1 Council Meeting Minutes June 8, 2020**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted as presented:

Council Meeting June 8, 2020.

**8. PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**8.1 REPORT NO. DS 2020-006**

**Zone Change Application 02-20**

**Jeffrey Van Gyssel**

**407 Fairview Street, New Hamburg**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council approve Zone Change Application 02/20 made by Jeffrey Van Gyssel, affecting 407 Fairview Street, to amend the zoning of the subject property to permit two additional dwelling units within the main residential building on the property.

**Registered Delegation**

Jeffrey Van Gyssel

**9. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

**10. CONSENT AGENDA**

**10.1 REPORT NO. FD 2020-02**

**First Quarter Activity Report**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Report No. FD 2020-02 be received for information purposes.

**11. REPORTS**

**11.1 CORPORATE SERVICES**

**11.1.1 REPORT NO. COR 2020-025**

**FCM – Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council direct staff to apply for the grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for asset management capacity building; and further

THAT the Township of Wilmot commits to conducting the following activities within 2020, as submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

- Asset Risk Framework and Development,
- Asset Lifecycle Framework and Development, and
- Asset Management Training, Systems/Software Training and Staff Workshops

THAT the Township of Wilmot commit \$36,300 from the 2020 Capital Budget toward the costs of these works, as per Council approved report FIN 2020-07.

## **11.2 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

### **11.2.1 REPORT DS 2020-10**

#### **Waiving of Penalties**

#### **Construction without Permits (March 17 – June 15)**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Report DS 2020-10 be received for information; and,

THAT the Township extend additional financial and economic support to residents and businesses by:

- a) Waiving penalties (the doubling of permit fees) for projects which commenced prior to the issuance of building permits initiated without permits during the period March 17, 2020 to June 15, 2020.

## **11.3 PUBLIC WORK AND ENGINEERING**

### **11.3.1 REPORT NO. PW 2020-11**

#### **Bridge Street Bridge (34/B-T-9) Municipal Class**

#### **Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Design – Award of Contract**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT RFP 2020-18 be awarded to K. Smart Associates Limited for the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) and preliminary engineering design for Bridge Street Bridge (34/B-T9) as per their proposal submitted on May 26, 2020, in the amount of \$46,247.95, plus HST.

**11.3.2 REPORT NO. PW 2020-012**

**Award of Contract – Two Single Axle Dump Trucks with Cab,  
Chassis and Snow Plow attachments**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT RFP 2020-05 be awarded to Altruck International Truck Centres to supply and deliver two (2) Single Axle Dump Trucks with Cab, Chassis and Snow Plow Attachments as per their proposal dated June 3, 2020, in the amount of \$523,834.00 plus HST.

**11.4 PARKS, FACILITIES AND RECREATION SERVICES**

**11.4.1 REPORT NO. PFRS 2020-006**

**Procurement of Phase B Pool Tile Grout Project**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the extension of the existing contract with PPL Aquatic, Fitness and Spa Group, for Phase B of the Pool Tile Grout Project, in the amount of \$75,000, plus HST, be approved; and further,

THAT funding for these works be included within the 2021 Capital Budget and 10-Year Capital Forecast.

**11.4.2 REPORT NO. PFRS 2020-007**

**Permanent Dog Park Location**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council approve William Scott Park, 84 Bleams Road W., New Hamburg as the location for construction of a permanent dog park, as approved in the 2020 Capital Budget; and

THAT a future capital project be added in 2021 capital forecast to improve parking at William Scott Park pending Grand River Conservation Authority approval.

## 12. CORRESPONDENCE

### 12.1 Resolution Support [ink-stainedwretches.org](http://ink-stainedwretches.org)

#### RECOMMENDATION

WHEREAS a healthy, professional news media is essential for the proper functioning of civil society and democracy at the local, regional, federal and international levels;

AND WHEREAS the Public Policy Forum declares — on its website for the 2017 report *The Shattered Mirror: News, Democracy and Trust in the Digital Age* (commissioned by the federal government) — that “real news is in crisis” in this country;

AND WHEREAS the U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) cited eight “critical information needs” the media help to provide including emergencies; other public risks to health; education; the environment; economic opportunities; civic and political knowledge of policy initiatives; and the conduct of public officials, and candidates for office (*The Shattered Mirror* p.4);

AND WHEREAS Canadians have lost the essential services provided by roughly 2,000 media workers in 100 communities across Canada due to layoffs in only six weeks from the time the COVID-19 pandemic began — a time it became clearer to the public how important it is for Canadians to receive accurate information — and advertising revenues have plunged, prompting an emergency \$30-million advertising-buy by the federal government;

AND WHEREAS residents of 190 Canadian communities — including residents of Kitchener, Elmira and Guelph — lost 250 established news outlets due to closings or mergers between 2008 and 2018;

AND WHEREAS nearly two out of every three Canadians support or somewhat support sending financial aid to struggling news providers, according to a Nanos Research poll of April 2020;

AND WHEREAS the federal government allocated nearly \$600 million in aid for Canadian media over five years in its 2019 budget, including a 25-per-cent tax credit for newsroom salaries; a 15-per-cent tax credit for digital media subscribers; and charitable tax status for non-profit news outlets;

AND WHEREAS Canada's federal government acknowledged in its 2019 budget (p. 173) that "A strong and independent news media is crucial to a well-functioning democracy.";

AND WHEREAS the news media in Waterloo Region have been instrumental during the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring local citizens have accurate local information

AND THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Township of Wilmot Council recognizes that a healthy, professional news media is essential to the proper functioning of democracy in the township; urges other municipal councils within the region and across Canada to recognize that a robust news media is essential to the proper functioning of democracy in their jurisdictions; endorses legislation and regulations to support and rejuvenate news outlets across Canada; and urges the federal government to move quickly to pass legislation to ensure an ecosystem for a healthy news media to serve all Canadians. And that the resolution be forwarded to M.P. Tim Louis, M.P.P. Mike Harris, the Waterloo Region area municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

### **13. BY-LAWS**

#### **13.1 BY-LAW NO. 2020-019 Zone Change Application 02-20 407 Fairview Street**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT By-law No. 2020-19 be read a first, second, and third time and finally passed in Open Council.

### **14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

### **15. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **16. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

### **17. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

#### **17.1 By-law No. 2020-20**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT By-law No. 2020-20 to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at its Meeting held on June 22, 2020 be introduced, read a first, second, and third time and finally passed in Open Council.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT we do now adjourn to meet again at the call of the Mayor.