

TOWNSHIP OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOKH AND RAGLAN

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan held on July 8, 2020 held Virtually via Teleconference – at 7:00 p.m.

**Present Were:** Mayor, **Sheldon Keller**  
Councillor, **Andrea Budarick**  
Councillor, **Iris Kauffeldt**  
Councillor, **Trevor Lidtkie**  
Councillor, **John Rutledge**

**Also Present:** Clerk-Treasurer, **Michelle Mantifel**  
Deputy Clerk, **Virginia Phanenhour**  
Public Works Superintendent, **Charlie Behm**  
Fire Chief/Facility Manager, **Jordan Genrick**

**Public:** 6 Members of the Public

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor **Keller**.

Resolution # 1

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby amend the agenda for the July 8, 2020 Council Meeting.”

Carried.

2. **PECUNIARY INTERESTS – NONE**

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Councillor **Budarick** did not feel that the June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 17<sup>th</sup> minutes accurately reflected the discussion held at the meetings. Council agreed to amend the minutes of the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, however the June 17<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved as circulated.

Resolution # 2

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Trevor Lidtkie**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting June 3, 2020 as amended, and Special Council Meeting June 17, 2020 as printed and circulated.”

Carried.

4. **DEPUTATIONS – NONE**

5. **REPORTS**

- i. Public Works Superintendent

The public works report was accepted as presented.

The required repairs to the brush hog were discussed by Council and staff. It was agreed not to repair the brush hog as it will be too expensive. A quote for the rental of a tractor and mower to cut the grass along the sides of the road was discussed and Council agreed to proceed with the rental.

The Public Works Superintendent informed Council that the final drive went in the dozer. Mr. Behm found a good used one which has been installed on the dozer.

Mr. Behm had a request from a resident on Raglan White Lake road to remove a tree that is on township property but leaning over one of her sheds. The Public Works Superintendent was directed to obtain quotes from local tree removal services to complete the job.

A resident contacted Councillor **Rutledge** about the possibility of grading Kinders Lane. As Kinders Lane is a private road, Council did not approve the request.

Resolution # 3

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Trevor Lidtkie**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Ragaln hereby accept the tender from Greenwood Paving in the amount of \$62,509.57 for Little Ireland Road.”

Carried.

Resolution # 4

Moved by **Iris Kauffeldt**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Ragaln hereby accept the tender from BEI in the amount of \$153,754.13 for Bruceton Road.”

Carried.

ii. Clerks

Resolution # 5

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Iris Kauffeldt**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby allocate the 2020 Provincial Library Grant as follows: 50% to the Madawaska Valley Public Library and 50% to the Killaloe & District Public Library AND FURTHER the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign the 2020 contracts for both libraries.”

Carried.

Council approved the Municipal Office being closed on the August Civic holiday.

Resolution # 6

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Andrea Budarick**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby authorize the Clerk to sign the Funding Agreement with the County of Renfrew for the Community Garden Project.”

Carried.

The municipality will need to enter into a lease agreement with the property owner. The Clerk will draft the agreement with a ten year term.

The Interim Control By-law report was reviewed by Council and the Clerk. After a lengthy discussion the Clerk was directed to consult with a municipal lawyer to obtain a legal opinion of any implications for passing an interim control by-law.

iii. Mayor & Council

Councillor **Rutledge** questioned if the signs for the public washroom in Quadeville were ordered as the project is near completion. The Clerk will order the necessary signage. Councillor **Rutledge** also asked about the expansion of the Brudenell Waste Site. The Clerk informed Council that Jp2g Consultants are still working on the application.

iv. Fire Chief

The Fire Chief's report was accepted as presented.

Chief Genrick reported that fire training has resumed. The members have been split into smaller groups to keep proper social distance.

Councillor **Budarick** questioned what the procedure was for filling pools for residents. Mr. Genrick stated that filling pools is by donation and is seen as added training.

Councillor **Rutledge** asked if the water at the fire halls is tested. Palmer hall is the only hall where the water is tested. He suggested that signs be placed in the other halls stating that the water is not potable.

- v. Building Inspector Report - None
- vi. Waste Management – None
- vii. Recreation

Mr. Genrick provided Council with an update on the kitchen renovations. Two pieces of equipment are needed to finish the project. Council agreed to sell the old propane stove. It will be advertised locally with a minimum bid of \$ 500.00.

The township has received a couple complaints about the White Lake Beach. Mr. Genrick has installed steel posts and chain so no vehicles can enter the beach area. He has also brushed out the boat launch sign.

- viii. Joint Health & Safety Committee – None

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. County of Renfrew – re: Renfrew County Virtual Triage and Assessment Centre - **filed**
- ii. County of Renfrew – re: Official Plan Amendment No. 25 – Five Year Review - **filed**
- iii. Town of Prescott – re: Broadband Infrastructure Resolution  
Resolution # 7

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby support the following resolution from the Town of Prescott.

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has worked with the local governments through the Broadband and Cellular Action Plan to support major investments in under-serviced areas in Eastern and Southwestern Ontario and have targeted \$315 million over five years to expand broadband and cellular infrastructure; and

WHEREAS Ontario towns and cities are working together to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak and there is now even more urgency to address gaps in service and high costs, and urgent investment from the Federal government is required; and

WHEREAS in more northern and rural parts of Ontario internet availability can be limited at best, gaps in coverage persist in southern and urban parts of the province, and for many in Ontario, the costs to access service are also prohibitively high; and

WHEREAS the lack of broadband access in rural Ontario puts everyone in unserved or under-serviced areas at a disadvantage – students seeking help on homework while learning remotely, seniors and other vulnerable individuals looking to access critical services, and business owners working hard to keep afloat and compete during challenging times; and

WHEREAS broadband limitations also restrict the services that rural and northern municipalities can provide to their residents. Ontario's municipal leaders and the citizens they serve must be able to embrace digital service delivery now to respond to the pandemic and to deliver public services efficiently and equitably over the long term.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Town of Prescott supports the call by Minister Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, for the Federal government to commit to the investment, without delay, in broadband and cellular infrastructure; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, The Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, The Honourable Maryam Monsef, the Minister of Rural Economic Development and Minister for Women and Gender Equality, MP Michael Barrett, and The Honourable Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and all municipalities located in Eastern Ontario."

Carried.

iv. Municipality of Grey County – re: Broadband Infrastructure Resolution  
Resolution # 8

Moved by **Iris Kauffeldt**, sec. by **Trevor Lidtkie**

"THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby support the following resolution from Grey County.

Whereas now more than ever in our increasingly electronic world, Grey County families and business owners have a need for reliable and affordable broadband to conduct business and stay connected both locally and beyond; and

Whereas broadband is a contributing social and economic driver in supporting the vitality and growth of our communities; and

Whereas families require internet to enable their children to complete school assignments, take online courses, maintain human connection, or just stream movies at home; and

Whereas Grey County agriculture production, medical, health care, manufacturing, retail and the service industry depend on reliable high-speed connections to support and ensure business continuity and success; and

Whereas connectivity has been a lifeline for those businesses and sectors with access to reliable broadband during this global pandemic; and  
Whereas reliable broadband will continue playing an essential role in the economic and social recovery of communities across Grey County post-pandemic; and

Whereas not all areas of Grey County are within a connectivity coverage area which continues to be increasingly challenging, and amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas Grey County has unserved areas as well as under-served areas that receive inadequate or disproportionately low levels of service; and

Whereas while it is important for the Provincial Government to look at both the number of people and the number of businesses that can be serviced by broadband expansion, it is essential, as well, that the province provide broadband service to areas that have a small number of people, yet cover a vast geographical area; and

Whereas the need for broadband infrastructure improvement is now;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Grey County representing our Grey County residents and business owners alike, call to action Premier Ford; Minister of Infrastructure, Minister Scott; Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Minister Ernie Hardeman and Associate Minister of Energy & MPP Walker to champion the implementation of broadband in the unserved and under-served areas of Grey County; and

That this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario municipalities for their endorsement.”

Carried.

## 7. PAYMENTS

Resolution # 9

Moved by **Iris Kauffeldt**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby approve the General Account/Voucher # 6 in the amount of **\$ 376,074.78**, the Roads Account/Voucher # 6 in the amount of **\$ 42,914.30**, the Recreation Account/Voucher # 6 in the amount of **\$ 1,810.04** and the Bicentennial Park Account/Voucher # 6 in the amount of **\$ 698.19**.”

Carried.

## 8. SEVERANCES - None

## 9. BY-LAWS

i. Resolution # 10

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Iris Kauffeldt**

“THAT By-Law No. 2020-31, being a by-law to appoint Municipal Officers and set salaries, mileage and benefits for Council and all Municipal Employees, was read a first and second time.

By-Law No. 2020-31 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

ii. Resolution # 11

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT By-Law No. 2020-32, being a by-law to acquire and dedicate land as a public highway was read a first and second time.

By-Law No. 2020-32 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

iii. Interim Control By-law – Additional information will be obtained.

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

i. Resolution # 12

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Iris Kauffeldt**

“THAT Council go into closed session to discuss labour relations or employee negotiations and acquisition or disposition of land.”

Carried.

Resolution # 13

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Trevor Lidtkie**

“THAT Council comes out of closed session.”

Carried.

The Mayor reported that three issues regarding labour relations or employee negotiations and one issue regarding acquisition or disposition of land was discussed during closed session.

## 11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution # 14

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Andrea Budarick**

“THAT By-Law No. 2020-33, being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan at its Special Council Meeting of June 17, 2020, and Regular Council Meeting of July 8, 2020, was read a first and second time.

By-Law No. 2020-33 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # 15

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Trevor Lidtkie**

“THAT this meeting adjourn at 10:42 pm.”

Carried.

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**Mayor**, Sheldon Keller

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**Clerk**, Michelle Mantifel