



**Township of Amaranth  
Special Meeting of Council Minutes  
Wednesday, August 5, 2020  
10:00 a.m.**

**Electronic Meeting**

The Township of Amaranth Council held an electronic special meeting on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

**Council Present:**

Mayor	B. Currie
Deputy Mayor	C. Gerrits
Councillor	M. Tijssen
Councillor	G. Little
Councillor	H. Foster

**Staff Present:**                      Acting CAO/Clerk                      N. Martin

The Acting CAO/Clerk having determined a quorum determined that the meeting would be able to continue. Electronic meeting technology features were reviewed, and the audio recording was started.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Currie called the Meeting to Order at 10:02 a.m.

**2. Added Items (Late Submissions) – added items listed below**

**3. Approval of Agenda**

**Resolution #1**

**Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: G. Little**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council do hereby approve the agenda as circulated.

**CARRIED**

Vote	Yea	Nay
<b>Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Heather Foster</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Gail Little</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Mark Tijssen</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Mayor Bob Currie</b>	<b>X</b>	

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest with Reasons**

None

Discussion around declaring a conflict of interest or a pecuniary interest and the requirements to declare.

**5. Closed Meeting**

**Resolution #2**

Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: H. Foster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council move to a Closed Meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reason(s):

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board

- Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

**CARRIED.**

Vote	Yea	Nay
Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits	X	
Councillor Heather Foster	X	
Councillor Gail Little	X	
Councillor Mark Tijssen	X	
Mayor Bob Currie	X	

**Resolution #3**

Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: H. Foster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council do now rise and report from Closed Meeting.

**CARRIED.**

Vote	Yea	Nay
Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits	X	
Councillor Heather Foster	X	
Councillor Gail Little	X	
Councillor Mark Tijssen	X	
Mayor Bob Currie	X	

It was confirmed that the only business discussed in closed meeting was that on the closed meeting agenda. Council further discussed the recommendations that were made.

**Resolution #4**

Moved by: C. Gerrits – Seconded by: G. Little

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council ask the lawyer who wrote the legal opinion to participate in a Council Meeting to discuss with Council the recommendations made.

Further that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ministry of Labour and Mike Arntfield are requested to participate in the Council meeting. If the above parties have no further interest in the discussion that the party same in writing.

**DEFEATED.**

Vote	Yea	Nay
Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits	X	
Councillor Heather Foster		X
Councillor Gail Little	X	
Councillor Mark Tijssen		X
Mayor Bob Currie		X

**Resolution #5**

Moved by: C. Gerrits – Seconded by: G. Little

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council proceed with the recommendations as outlined in the legal opinion of Hicks Morley, in sum to revoke any powers that are delegated to the Mayor and restrict the Mayor from attending the office and request further assistance with wording to be provided by the lawyer who provided the opinion.

**DEFEATED.**

Recorded Vote	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits	X		
Councillor Heather Foster		X	
Councillor Gail Little	X		
Councillor Mark Tijssen		X	
Mayor Bob Currie			X

**Resolution #6**

Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: H. Foster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council ask the lawyer who wrote the legal opinion to participate in a Council Meeting to discuss with Council the investigative report and recommendations made.

Further that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ministry of Labour and Mike Arntfield are required to participate in the Council meeting or send a representative to participate in the meeting. If the above parties have no further interest in the discussion that the party same in writing. No response is deemed to be having no further interest in these discussions.

**CARRIED.**

Vote	Yea	Nay
<b>Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Councillor Heather Foster</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Gail Little</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Councillor Mark Tijssen</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Mayor Bob Currie</b>	<b>X</b>	

**6. Confirming By-Law**

**Resolution #7**

Moved by: H. Foster – Seconded by: M. Tijssen

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the Special Meeting of Council of the Township of Amaranth for August 5, 2020; and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 45-2020.

**CARRIED.**

Vote	Yea	Nay
<b>Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Heather Foster</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Gail Little</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Mark Tijssen</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Mayor Bob Currie</b>	<b>X</b>	

**7. Adjournment**

**Resolution #8**

Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: H. Foster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council do now adjourn to meet again for the Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

**CARRIED.**

Vote	Yea	Nay
<b>Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Heather Foster</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Gail Little</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Councillor Mark Tijssen</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Mayor Bob Currie</b>	<b>X</b>	

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

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Head of Council

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Acting CAO/Clerk