

**ELGIN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

**August 6, 2020**

Council Present: Warden Dave Mennill (electronic)  
Deputy Warden Duncan McPhail (electronic)  
Councillor Bob Purcell (electronic)  
Councillor Sally Martyn (electronic)  
Councillor Tom Marks (in-person)  
Councillor Mary French (electronic)  
Councillor Grant Jones (electronic)  
Councillor Dominique Giguère (electronic)  
Councillor Ed Ketchabaw (electronic)

Staff Present: Julie Gonyou, Chief Administrative Officer (in-person)  
Stephen Gibson, County Solicitor (in-person)  
Jeff Smith, Community Emergency Management Coordinator (electronic)  
Katherine Thompson, Supervisor of Legislative Services (electronic)  
Carolyn Krahn, Legislative Services Coordinator (in-person)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Elgin County Council met this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020 in the Administrative Boardroom, at the County Administration Building, St. Thomas at 9:00 a.m. with Warden Mennill in the chair. Some Councillors participated electronically by video conference.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

None.

**3. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Moved by: Councillor Ketchabaw  
Seconded by: Councillor Purcell

Resolved that we do now move into Committee of the Whole Council.

**Recorded Vote**

		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
West Elgin	Duncan McPhail	Yes		
Dutton Dunwich	Bob Purcell	Yes		
Central Elgin	Sally Martyn	Yes		
Central Elgin	Tom Marks	Yes		
Southwold	Grant Jones	Yes		
Aylmer	Mary French	Yes		
Malahide	Dominique Giguère	Yes		
Bayham	Ed Ketchabaw	Yes		
Malahide	Warden Dave Mennill	Yes		
		9	0	0

- Motion Carried.

**4. REPORTS OF COUNCIL, OUTSIDE BOARDS AND STAFF**

**4.1 Temporary Mandatory Face Covering By-law – Chief Administrative Officer**

The Chief Administrative Officer presented a report regarding the development of a County-wide temporary mandatory face covering by-law. On July 30, 2020 the Southwestern Public Health Medical Officer of Health issued a Letter of Instruction for all businesses in Oxford County, Elgin County and the City of St. Thomas to mandate face coverings in enclosed public spaces. The Medical Officer of Health

recommended that municipalities pass by-laws for a consistent approach to face coverings across the region.

Moved by: Councillor Jones  
Seconded by: Councillor Martyn

Resolved that the August 1, 2020, report titled, Mandatory Face Covering By-law, submitted by the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), be received and filed for information; and

THAT By-law 20-38, being a by-law to temporarily require the use of face coverings and related health protection measures within enclosed public spaces during the COVID-19 Pandemic, in support of the Letter of Instruction issued on July 30th, 2020 by the Medical Officer of Health, be approved and enacted.

**Recorded Vote**

		Yes	No	Abstain
West Elgin	Duncan McPhail	Yes		
Dutton Dunwich	Bob Purcell	Yes		
Central Elgin	Sally Martyn	Yes		
Central Elgin	Tom Marks	Yes		
Southwold	Grant Jones	Yes		
Aylmer	Mary French	Yes		
Malahide	Dominique Giguère	Yes		
Bayham	Ed Ketchabaw	Yes		
Malahide	Warden Dave Mennill	Yes		
		9	0	0

- Motion Carried.

**5. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

**5.1 By-law 20-38 – Requiring the Use of Face Coverings**

Being a By-law to temporarily require the use of face coverings and related health protection measures within enclosed public spaces during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Moved by: Councillor Marks  
Seconded by: Councillor Jones

Resolved that By-Law No. 20-38 be now read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

**Recorded Vote**

		Yes	No	Abstain
West Elgin	Duncan McPhail	Yes		
Dutton Dunwich	Bob Purcell	Yes		
Central Elgin	Sally Martyn	Yes		
Central Elgin	Tom Marks	Yes		
Southwold	Grant Jones	Yes		
Aylmer	Mary French	Yes		
Malahide	Dominique Giguère	Yes		
Bayham	Ed Ketchabaw	Yes		
Malahide	Warden Dave Mennill	Yes		
		9	0	0

- Motion Carried.

**5.2 By-law 20-39 – Confirming all Actions and Proceedings**

BEING a By-law to Confirm Proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the County of Elgin at the August 6, 2020 Meeting.

Moved by: Councillor McPhail  
Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that By-Law No. 20-39 be now read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

**Recorded Vote**

		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
West Elgin	Duncan McPhail	Yes		
Dutton Dunwich	Bob Purcell	Yes		
Central Elgin	Sally Martyn	Yes		
Central Elgin	Tom Marks	Yes		
Southwold	Grant Jones	Yes		
Aylmer	Mary French	Yes		
Malahide	Dominique Giguère	Yes		
Bayham	Ed Ketchabaw	Yes		
Malahide	Warden Dave Mennill	Yes		
		9	0	0

- Motion Carried.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councillor Marks  
Seconded by: Councillor Martyn

Resolved that we do now adjourn at 9:12 a.m. to meet again on August 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

**Recorded Vote**

		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
West Elgin	Duncan McPhail	Yes		
Dutton Dunwich	Bob Purcell	Yes		
Central Elgin	Sally Martyn	Yes		
Central Elgin	Tom Marks	Yes		
Southwold	Grant Jones	Yes		
Aylmer	Mary French	Yes		
Malahide	Dominique Giguère	Yes		
Bayham	Ed Ketchabaw	Yes		
Malahide	Warden Dave Mennill	Yes		
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- Motion Carried.

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Julie Gonyou,  
Chief Administrative Officer.

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Dave Mennill,  
Warden.