

THE CORPORATION OF NORTH ALGONA WILBERFORCE TOWNSHIP

By-Law 2020-39

Being a By-law to Amend By-Law 2018-105, a by-law to govern the proceedings of Council, the conduct of its Members and the calling of Meetings (Procedural By-law).

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001 c 25, Section 238 (3.1) permits Councils to provide a provision in their Procedural By-law to meet electronically;

AND WHEREAS By-Law 2018-105 is silent on electronic meetings;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has Declared an Emergency over the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has amended the Municipal Act to permit members of Council who attend meetings electronically to be counted for the purposes of a quorum;

AND WHEREAS Council needs the ability to meet electronically during an Emergency;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of North Algona Wilberforce Township ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the following sections be added to By-law 2018-105 immediately after section A5.8.

*A5.9 Notwithstanding section A5.8, Council may conduct electronic Council Meetings and/or Special Council Meetings during a Provincial or Municipal Declaration of Emergency. Electronic Council Meetings may be Open to the public under Section 239 (1) of the Municipal Act or Closed under Section 239 (2) (a-k) and 239 (3) (a-b) and 239 (3.1) of the Municipal Act.*

*A5.10 Council Members attending an Electronic Council Meeting shall be counted towards quorum.*

*A5.11 For members of the public, who do not wish to attend the Council Chambers in a time of Emergency, a copy of the audio recording of the Open Meeting shall be posted on the Township's Website and Facebook page following the meeting.*

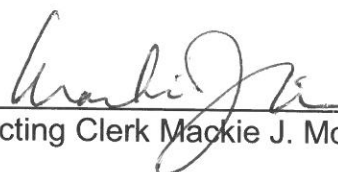
2. All clauses of By-law 2018-105 shall remain in effect.
3. This By-law shall come into effect on March 24, 2020.

Read a First and Second Time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

Read a Third Time and Passed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.



Mayor James Brose



Acting Clerk Mackie J. McLaren