

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

MINUTES

April 15, 2014

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening April 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Rosalind Hall, Barbara Marlow and George Sterling. Councillor Doug Weddel was absent.

Staff, Delegations & Guests in attendance: Andrew Farnsworth; Bob Edmunds; Allan Barlow; Mike Derry; Paul Van Dam; Rod Blakelock.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the front door of the office and on the web site and recorded on the telephone voice message.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes from the regular meeting April 1, 2014, were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Hall and seconded by Councillor Marlow. Carried

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Supervisor Bob Edmunds provided Council with a copy of a weather event/flooding emergency contact list.

Mr. Edmunds outlined the draft request for proposal for an excavator, and provided an update of the flooding and spring weather conditions. Mr. Edmunds expressed concern about the number of culverts lifting and sinking this year and the possible effect on the budget.

A written complaint was received about the roads not being plowed this morning during the snowstorm. Mr. Edmunds explained that the gravel roads are too soft to plow and that the main roads were sanded.

An up-date of the Bell Canada invoice regarding the Nipissing Road was provided.

DELEGATIONS:

Rod Blakelock attended to discuss the Fall Fair to be held Monday September 1, 2014. Mr. Blakelock outlined the inflatable rides that will be available and Council agreed to provide a ride again this year.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Council received a letter from the Horn Lake Property Owner's Committee regarding the proposed medical marijuana grow operation. Although Council agrees with the concerns raised, the matter is beyond Ryerson's jurisdiction.

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL (RFP):

Andrew Farnsworth, Deputy Clerk presented a summary of the evaluations and results from the nine proposals received for engineering services for replacement of the single lane Midlothian Road bridge situated east of Starratt Road. Council selected Tulloch Engineering, as stated in the resolution below.

Staff Reports

The Clerk received input from Council on a policy for sand bags. A draft will be prepared for Council's consideration.

Committee/Board Reports

Reeve Miller and Andrew Farnsworth reported on the Shared Services meeting they recently attended with Burks Falls and Armour. A draft template for an agreement was outlined. The proposal is for each municipality to take sole responsibility for one service. Council's comments will be incorporated into the agreement and it will be circulated to the insurance company; Margery Robinson, Management Consultant and lawyer Doug Christie for comments.

Reeve Miller and Andrew Farnsworth also up-dated Council on the Regional Fire Training Officer, resulting in the adoption of the below resolution.

Council received the minutes from the South East Parry Sound District Steering Committee and Councillor Hall made it clear that the proposal for highway signage from Karen and Dave Stewart is not from the Almaguin Highlands Economic Development (AHED) Committee.

Councillor Marlow reported on a meeting regarding the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre and the cutting of x-ray from five days to three days, effective September 1, 2014.

Council considered a proposed policy regarding building permits dated before the hiring of the current Joint Building Committee staff and the lack of final inspections. Council would like the Committee to consider adopting a policy for all members to be able to use.

Council had several questions about the 2014 Joint building Committee budget and Councillor Marlow will take these concerns to the Committee for answers.

The Tri-Committee meeting with Burks Falls and Armour will be held Thursday May 26, 2014 at the arena at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS/LIST OF RESOLUTIONS/CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER

- Women's Own Resource Centre being a request for support (resolution)
- FONOM Newsletter
- East And West Parry Sound Victim Services regarding the Vulnerable Persons Data Base
- Phil Harding Muskoka District Councillor re: meeting with MNR
- District of Parry Sound Municipal Association being a copy of the agenda
- Minutes from Almaguin Highlands Health Centre
- Minutes from Regional Fire Committee
- Terry Hewitt re: solar operations

BY-LAWS

- By-law # 27 -14, being a by-law respecting remuneration and expenses for members of council.
- By-law # 28 - 14, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

RESOLUTIONS

- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Hall be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the Request for Proposal for Engineering

- Services for the replacement of the Midlothian Road bridge project from Tulloch Engineering in the amount of \$53,957.50, including HST. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Rosalind Hall be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council agrees in principle to take full responsibility for hiring and administering a Firefighter Training Service Provider, and further that all related costs be billed on an equal basis (20% each for five departments, 25% each for four departments). (Carried)

 - Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Hall be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the Women's Own Resource Centre with a donation of \$177.30 for 2014. (Carried)

 - Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 27-14, being a By-law respecting remuneration and expenses for members of Council, and further; That By-Law # 27 – 14 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and Finally passed in Council this 15th day of April, 2014. (Carried)

 - Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Hall be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 28-14, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council, and further; That By-Law # 28 – 14 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and Finally passed in Council this 15^t day of April, 2014. (Carried)

 - Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Marlow that we do now adjourn at 10:20 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. A Public Meeting will be held April 22, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. for the Camp Kaquah Re-Zoning application and a Special meeting will be held April 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the grader/loader request for proposals and other road department tenders. (Carried)

REEVE

CLERK