

# **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON**

## **MINUTES**

**August 11, 2015**

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening August 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Rosalind Hall, Barbara Marlow, George Sterling and Doug Weddel.

Staff in attendance: Andrew Farnsworth; Bob Edmunds; Dave McNay.

Delegations & Guests in attendance: Paul Van Dam; Gail Sawyer; Judy Ransome; Norm Cameron.

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 July 21, 2015 were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Marlow and seconded by Councillor Weddel. (Carried)

### **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Reeve Miller declared a pecuniary interest with respect to agenda number 8, second item: follow up with Tulloch Engineering, Sky Solar proposal, as Reeve Miller is the owner of the subject property.

### **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Fire Chief Dave McNay provided a staff report up-dating department activities and a report defining mutual aid and automatic aid.

Regionalization of area fire departments was discussed and Council and Chief McNay are in agreement that this topic needs to be thoroughly reviewed and that there are many opportunities that can likely be realized in sharing with area departments. It has been suggested that there may be a less expensive way to go about studying the area fire departments, possibly by starting with developing and making improvements to automatic aid agreements. It has never been stated by Ryerson Township that they do not want to be part of an area review of the fire departments.

Council would like to tender for snow clearing services at the fire hall.

It was noted that Judy Edwards, Andrew Farnsworth and Judy Kosowan attended a training session at the fire hall on August 4, 2015 to provide information on the municipal health and safety policy and human resources policy.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT**

Public Works Supervisor Bob Edmunds provided Council with a written staff up-dating road department activities. An incident report regarding road side mowing was provided for Council's information.

A draft safe operating policy for the wheeled excavator was presented to Council. Staff was directed to draft a policy setting out two policies, one for the safe handling of the machine regarding the use of the stabilizers with a strict disciplinary statement and a second policy regarding general safe operation of the excavator.

## **DELEGATIONS:**

Norm Cameron from the Cecebe Waterways Association attended to discuss seagull deterrents for Rockwynn Dock. A written submission was provided to Council. The wire grid system was described as a permanent solution to keep seagulls off the dock.

Bob Edmunds described the current 'fake predator' treatment that appears to be working for now.

It was noted that migratory birds are protected species and that any deterrent must be designed so that birds are not injured.

A presentation has been made to Magnetawan Council and they are in support of this wire grid deterrent. Ryerson Township Council is interested in this proposal and would like to receive a price on the wire grid system.

## **ACCOUNTS**

Community/Economic Development; Fire; General; Roads; Regional Fire Training.

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Deputy Clerk Andrew Farnsworth and Councillor Weddel reported on the Ontario Municipal Board teleconference held August 7, 2015 regarding the proposed haul route agreement for Peggs Mountain Rd. Although the Township had approached Barriston Lawyers, no progress has been made on drafting a haul route agreement. The next step will be to obtain prices from engineering companies. Another Ontario Municipal Board Teleconference is scheduled for November 17, 2015.

Glenn Miller declared pecuniary interest as noted above with respect to the next item of business, and left the room. Barbara Marlow chaired the next portion of the meeting.

Andrew Farnsworth informed Council that Sky Solar are preparing studies that will be provided to Tulloch Engineering for review. Tulloch Engineering are able to do a site visit to the Sky Solar proposed solar operation and are intending to provide Council with a report.

A special meeting of Council was called for August 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to receive the reports.

Council reviewed the letter regarding renewable energy projects that has been prepared for Councillor Marlow to take to a delegation hearing at the up-coming Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference that she will be attending. A resolution supporting the letter was adopted as noted below.

Reeve Miller returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

## **DEPUTY CLERK'S REPORT**

Andrew Farnsworth provided Council with a written report providing clarification on Regional Fire Department discussions and resolutions and an up-date on the Regional Firefighter Officer Training proposal for five departments.

Council discussed possible projects for OCIF funding and it was decided that Ryerson would not proceed with an application.

## **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

Councillor Marlow up-dated Council on the Joint Building Committee and correspondence received from the lawyer for the Municipality of Magnetawan.

Reeve Miller advised Council that the South East Parry Sound District Planning Board is facing a funding shortfall this year and will require \$2,000.00 from each member municipality.

Council discussed the importance of the need to meet with these two agencies and discuss their business plans and the possibility of restructuring to make their operations more viable.

### **NEW BUSINESS/LIST OF RESOLUTIONS/CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER**

Council reviewed an application for an exemption to the Noise By-law and passed a resolution as noted below.

Correspondence from:

- Joint Building Committee 2014 Financial Statements; and June financial report
- Kearney and Armour being copies of resolutions FYI re: hospital services
- FONOM newsletter up-date
- DSSAB being an email to provide an update on the H.O.M.E. Network
- Norm Cameron & Magnetawan re: seagull problem at Rockwynn Dock
- Village of Burks Falls regarding fire services
- Roswitha Kratochwil re: Land Canada

Minutes from:

- Burks Falls, Armour, Ryerson Union Public Library
- Joint Building Committee special meeting

### **BY-LAWS**

By-law # 39 -15, being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 56-14

By-law # 40 -15, being a by-law to contract an Engineer of Record

By-law # 41 -15, 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 adopt the attached Safe Operating Guideline for the Hydraulic Shop Press. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that we approve the following accounts: Community/Economic Development Office voucher number 7-15, in the amount of \$4,360.93. Fire Department accounts voucher number 7-15, in the amount of \$11,565.73; General accounts voucher number 7-15, in the amount of \$60,726.23; Road accounts voucher number 7-15, in the amount of \$40,280.64. Regional Fire Training Service voucher number 7-15, in the amount of \$6,921.25. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council appoint the following people to the Peggs Mountain Rd. Haul Route Negotiation Committee: Bob van der Wijst; Bob Edmunds; Doug Weddel; Barbara Marlow; Jenn Cavanagh; Andrew Farnsworth; Judy Kosowan. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Ryerson support the attached letter to the Minister of Energy regarding renewable energy projects and their impact on Ontario municipalities, and further that the resolution be forwarded to the following parties: Hon. Kathleen Wynne, Premier; MPP Norm Miller; MP Tony Clement;

Hon. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; Neighbouring Municipalities; Municipal Associations: DPSMA, AMO, FONOM, ROMA.  
(Carried)

- Moved by Councillor Marlow. Seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the South East Parry Sound District Planning Board with a payment of \$2,000.00 for 2015. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve a Special Permit Exemption from Noise By-law 34-10 for extension of hours of operation for gravel crushing on Lot 2, Concession 9, as per the attached Permit. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #39-15, being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 56-14 and further; That By-Law #39- 15 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and Finally passed in Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 40 -15, being a By-law to contract an Engineer of Record for Consulting Purposes and further; That By-Law # 40- 15 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and Finally passed in Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.  
(Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 41-15, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council and further; That By-Law # 41 – 15 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and Finally passed in Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Hall that we do now adjourn at 10:30 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. A special meeting of Council has been called for August 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

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CLERK