

# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES**

October 18, 2016

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening October 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Barbara Marlow, George Sterling and Doug Weddel. Councillor Rosalind Hall was absent.

Staff in attendance: Judy Kosowan, Leanne Fetterley, Bob Edmunds, Judy Edwards, Dave McNay, Dave Gray.

Delegations & Guests in attendance: James Bingham and Doug Fraser (Magnetawan Ridge Runners).

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 October 4, 2016 and special meeting with Burks Falls October 5, 2016 were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Marlow and seconded by Councillor Sterling. (Carried)

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**: none declared

### **DELEGATIONS**

Magnetawan Ridge Runners (James Bingham & Doug Fraser): Request to open road allowance between Con 8 Lot 26/27 and Con 9 Lot 26/27.

Council would like the property owners adjoining the road allowance to be contacted regarding this and the property lines to be determined. A survey may be required. Mr. Bingham and Mr. Fraser will provide Council with further information at a future meeting.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

- 5.1 Fire Chief: Chief McNay presented the 2017 draft budget as well as the draft budget for the Regional Training Officer.
- 5.2 Public Works: Supervisor Bob Edmunds reviewed the Personal Protective Clothing policy and provided updates on the Nipissing Road resurfacing project and Nipissing Road Bridge including proposed weight restrictions.
- 5.3 Economic Development Officer: Dave Gray reviewed the 2017 draft budget and highlighted the items proposed for the marketing plan.
- 5.4 Treasurer's Update: Judy Edwards provided clarifications regarding the draft shared services budgets.
- 5.5 Deputy Clerk: Leanne Fetterley provided the proposed site amendment from Sky Solar. It is for information only and has not yet been approved by the IESO.

- 5.6 Clerk: Judy Kosowan polled Council and concluded that Ryerson will not be making a delegation request at the ROMA conference.

### **CLOSED MEETING**

Council moved to a closed meeting at 9:15 p.m. to discuss a fire department matter.

Council returned to the open meeting at 9:30 p.m. Direction was given to staff in the closed meeting with no further direction given in the open meeting.

### **SHARED SERVICES**

Council reviewed the draft agenda for the Tri-Council meeting October 24, 2016 and had no amendments.

Council received and discussed a staff report following up from the meeting with Burks Falls that was held October 5, 2016. A draft framework and alternate models for delivering shared services were reviewed and will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Council still intends to organize a public meeting regarding shared services with details as to date, time and location to be finalized.

### **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

- Councillor Weddel provided an up-date from the Library Board
- Councillor Marlow reported on the H.O.M.E. Meeting that she recently attended
- Councillor Sterling reported on the Eastholme Board meeting
- Reeve Miller noted that an inquiry has been made about lowering the speed limit on Madill Road. Council will look at this request again at a future meeting

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

- Joint Building Committee statistics
- Village of Burks Falls re: Regional Fire Service Committee
- O.P.P: 2017 Municipal Policing Billing Information
- Susan Church, Blue Sky re: Broadband/Federal Budget, resolution adopted
- Municipality of East Ferris re: Clean Water and Waste Water Fund
- Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: 2017 ROMA Conference
- Tri Council Notes September 26, 2016

### **BY-LAWS**

- By-law # 40 - 16, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

### **RESOLUTIONS**

- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow that we move to a closed session at 9:15 p.m., pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2) (b) as the subject matter being considered is regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. The general

nature of the closed meeting is to discuss a fire department matter.  
(Carried)

- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Marlow that we return to the open meeting at 9:30 p.m. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the volunteer application from Beverly Abbott to be a representative for Ryerson Township on the Burks Falls, Armour and Ryerson Union Public Library Board. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Weddel WHEREAS access to affordable and reliable broadband networks is an important part of everyday life and; WHEREAS communities outside urban centres face challenges in accessing internet service levels comparable to those in cities due to factors such as remote location and challenging terrain and; WHEREAS numerous Broadband projects were delayed in 2015 and then cancelled by FedNor in 2016 in favour of waiting for the national Connecting Canadians Broadband funding criteria to be announced and; WHEREAS many of the cancelled Broadband projects already committed NOHFC and Internet Service Provider partner funding and although backbone and institutional connectivity is crucial for a modern digital economy, the last mile opportunity that existed in these projects that have been cancelled is equally as important and; WHEREAS FedNor's mandate is to support regional collaboration that will enhance Community Economic Development, business growth, competitiveness and innovation and; WHEREAS access to Broadband is key to economic, education, social and health development; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson requests that because FedNor has developed a strong network of Broadband advocates and local Northern Ontario intelligence, that the Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development reviews the decision that no longer permits FedNor to fund Broadband initiatives and that the Broadband projects that have been cancelled all across Northern Ontario, be reinstated and reviewed for potential funding. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 40-16, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; that by-law 40-16 be read a first, second and third time, signed and the seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel seconded by Councillor Sterling that we do now adjourn at 10:55 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by Glenn Miller

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REEVE

Original signed by Judy Kosowan

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CLERK