

# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES**

March 7, 2017

**In Celebration of Canada 150, Ryerson Township presents *Minutes from the Past!***

March 13, 1880: Moved by Mr. James Miller and seconded by Mr. Nelson, that the Municipal Clerk do order a seal for the corporation. Carried.

*This beautiful historical artifact is still in use in our office  
and is required on a regular basis to seal by-laws and other legal documents.*

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening March 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Councillors Rosalind Hall, Barbara Marlow and Doug Weddel. Reeve Miller and Councillor Sterling were absent.

Staff in attendance: Leanne Fetterley, Judy Kosowan, Lloyd Van Duzen

Delegations & Guests in attendance: none

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 February 21, 2017 and special meeting March 1, 2017 were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Weddel and seconded by Councillor Hall. (Carried)

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** (none declared)

### **DELEGATIONS**

A scheduled delegation from Rod Blakelock regarding the agricultural society was postponed until the March 21 meeting.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Public Works: Lloyd Van Duzen highlighted his written report including information about a flooding event on February 23-24, winter maintenance, 2017 budget preparation, and staff training. A verbal update was provided regarding repairs required for the culvert steamer. Council directed staff to proceed with an assessment of the equipment. A written report from Bob Edmunds detailing the history of the flood prevention program in the Township was received by Council.

Deputy Clerk: Verbal updates were provided regarding the revised budget for the Canada 150 Ryerson Yard Sale & BBQ, and the Accommodation Review Draft Report commissioned by the BACED committee. The Deputy Clerk proposed a plan to include ten minute sessions on each upcoming agenda for policy review and training as well as strategic planning.

Clerk: Monthly bank balances and accounts were received by Council. A verbal update was provided regarding the plans for the development of the 520 shared road allowance. Council was advised of questions regarding the status of the zoning at 1732 Peggs Mountain Road. The Clerk reviewed letters of support for: an accessibility funding application for Burk's Falls and a proposed fiber optic project by Lakeland Energy/Networks.

## **SHARED SERVICES**

Budget resolutions from Burk's Falls were received by Council.

A draft response to Burk's Falls' proposal based on discussions from the special meeting on March 1 was reviewed. Staff were directed to make amendments and submit the report to Burk's Falls in advance of the Shared Services meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

A written staff report was received by Council summarizing proposed economic development projects for Ryerson that resulted from discussions at the regular meeting on February 21.

## **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

The Joint Building Committee draft 2017 budget was discussed (resolution below). Council requested staff review the JBC agreement for clarification on the billing schedule.

Councillor Weddel gave a verbal report on an Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) meeting he recently attended.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Almaguin Recycling Initiative (ARI) being a copy of the 2016 Year End Financial Statements
- District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board: Statement of Board Members Honourarium and Expenses
- Ministry of Infrastructure a 2017 Build ON 2017 Infrastructure Up-date
- Paul Van Dam regarding flood controls
- Joint Building Committee re: 2017 draft budget (resolution)
- Abundant Solar being information on the 288 Midlothian Rd. ground solar mount project
- Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce regarding the Chamber Social March 6, 2017 in Powassan

## **BY-LAWS**

- By-law #13-17, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Hall be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the recommendation from the Joint Building Committee to accept the 2017 budget as presented in the amount of \$214,725.00. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #13-17, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #13-17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Weddel that we do now adjourn at 10:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2017 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