

# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES**

July 18, 2017

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

July 30, 1945: [Moved by] Roskopf, [seconded by] Parry that the clerk write the Minister of Highways asking that the Dept. of Highways take and maintain that portion of road passing through Ryerson Township leading west from Burks Falls to Ahmic Harbour, south of Ahmic Lake.

*This refers to Highway 520 which is now owned and maintained by the Province of Ontario. The highway was assigned the Provincial route number 520 in 1956.*

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening July 18, 2017. Reeve Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Barbara Marlow, Doug Weddel, and George Sterling. Councillor Rosalind Hall was absent.

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

Delegations & Guests in attendance: Rob Graham and Judy Ransome.

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 Special and Regular meetings July 4, 2017 were adopted as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Sterling and seconded by Councillor Marlow. (Carried)

### **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Reeve Miller declared pecuniary interest with respect to agenda items 6.1 and 9 (Request for Use of Road Allowance) as he is related to a member of the law firm representing the property owner.

### **DELEGATIONS**

None registered.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### Public Works

The Lead Hand reviewed a written report including updates on dust control, gravel application, Superior Road Products repairs, grass mowing, the Roskopf Road project, and Scott Drive.

An incident regarding the removal of Township property from Roskopf Road was discussed and Council directed staff to write a letter to Staff Sgt. Whaley.

Council requested that staff provide estimated costs for repairs on Scott Drive.

A written report was received from the Public Works Supervisor including recommendations to increase signage on the portion of Midlothian near the Magnetawan River, Engineer of Record, Highway Traffic Act Regulation 398/16, upcoming bridge inspections, traffic counters, and a proposed By-law to assist in cost-recovery for damage on Municipal Roads.

At this time Council directed staff to proceed with negotiations to extend the contract for the current Engineer of Record instead of a request for quote for a new contract (resolution below).

The Lead Hand provided further comment on the new requirements of the Highway Traffic Act Regulation 398/16 and its impact on excavator operations.

Council reviewed policies for Driver/Operator Evaluation, Brushing, Temporary Road Closures, and Protection of Municipal Property and indicated further review is required. Motions to adopt these policies were deferred.

#### Clerk's Report

Council reviewed the Budget update provided by the Treasurer. Department heads will update Council regarding their respective budgets on a quarterly basis.

A Staff Report regarding the Aggregate Resources Act fees was reviewed.

Quorum was confirmed to hold a regular meeting of Council on August 22, 2017.

### **PLANNING**

Glenn Miller declared pecuniary interest for the next item and Barbara Marlow chaired this portion of the meeting and Reeve Miller left the room.

The request for the continued use of a shared road allowance was approved (resolution below).

Reeve Miller returned to the room.

The Deputy Clerk reviewed a Staff Report including planning updates. Staff were requested to track permits to ensure that structures are demolished when included as a condition of a new building permit.

Councillor Weddel left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

### **SHARED SERVICES**

No discussion.

### **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

Fred Dean Coffee & Conversation: Deputy Reeve Marlow provided highlights from the session in Bracebridge.

DSSAB: A verbal update was provided highlighting the DSSAB Governance and Accountability Review.

MAHST: Deputy Reeve Marlow reported on the recent meeting held in Burk's Falls to share information about the Muskoka and Area Health System Transformation initiative.

## **CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS**

- Ministry of Natural Resources re: changes to Aggregate Resources Fees and Royalties
- The Miller Law Group being a request for permission for continued use of a road allowance
- North Simcoe Muskoka LHIN re: Muskoka and Area Health System Transformation Council (MAHST) and the MAHST health system plan outline
- Township of Armour Notice of Passing a Zoning By-law Amendment re: livestock facilities

## **BY-LAWS**

- By-law #29-17, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law #56-14
- By-law #30-17, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

## **CLOSED MEETING**

Council moved to a closed meeting as noted in the below resolution. Council returned to the open meeting at 10:29 p.m. The Clerk will follow up with direction given in the closed meeting.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Weddel seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #29-17, being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 56-14; And Further That By-Law #29-17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 18th day of July, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Sterling seconded by Councillor Marlow, WHEREAS the Township of Ryerson is enacting specific measures to increase traffic safety on the portion of Midlothian Road that travels over the Magnetawan River bridge and directly beside the river, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson reduce the speed limit from 60 kilometres per hour to 50 kilometres per hour from Lot 13 to the East side of the Sieber Road intersection and that Schedule A of By-law #29-15 be modified accordingly. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow seconded by Councillor Sterling, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize staff to proceed with preparation of a Request for Proposal for Engineer of Record services. (Defeated)

Moved by Councillor Weddel seconded by Councillor Sterling WHEREAS the Township of Ryerson and the Township of Perry have allowed the property owners of 1035 A & B So Ho Mish Road to use a portion of the shared road allowance as a driveway or lane since 1999; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson grant permission to the new owners, Kevin White and Susan Vardon, to continue use of the existing driveway on approximately the first 90 metres of the original road allowance from So Ho Mish Road; AND THAT no authorization will be provided for the placing of a gate or any other obstruction on the road allowance; AND FURTHER THAT no Municipal maintenance will be provided on this road allowance at any time and that the owners and any other potential user will use the road at their own risk. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #30-17, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #30-17 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 July, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that we move to a closed session at 9:28 p.m., pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2) (d) as the subject matter being considered is regarding labour relations or employee negotiations; The general nature of the closed meeting is to discuss: review of staff working relationships.  
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel that we do now adjourn at 10:30 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by Glenn Miller

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REEVE

Original signed by Leanne Fetterley

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DEPUTY CLERK