

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

December 6, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held December 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Council members in attendance: Mayor Sterling, Councillors: Abbott, Miller, Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Nancy Field, Brayden Robinson, Judy Kosowan, Kryssi Sinclair.

Public attending by phone or electronically: Judy Ransome, Nieves Guijarro, Josh Lilley, Brenda Tota and Joseph Vella.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R-191 - 22 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the Inaugural and Regular meetings November 15, 2022 and the Special meeting November 22, 2022 be adopted as circulated. (Carried)

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: Bev Abbott declared pecuniary interest: I, Beverly Abbott declare pecuniary interest with respect to staff and volunteer recognition, item 6.1.2. The general nature of the pecuniary interest is I was a voluntary Board Member.

4. DELEGATION: None registered

5. REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL: Council received an RFP and a Staff Report regarding Audit Services and the following resolution was adopted.

R- 192-22 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that KPMG LLP be appointed as the external auditors for the Township of Ryerson for a three-year period, commencing with the audit for fiscal year 2022.
(Carried)

6. REPORTS:

DEPUTY CLERK:

The Deputy Clerk Nancy Field provided Council with a report regarding two rezonings and the following resolutions were adopted.

R-193-22 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 50-22, being a By-law to amend zoning by-law 56-14, to re-zone Part Lots 28, 29 Con. 14, Roskopf Road and further; That By-Law # 50-22 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 6th day of December 2022.
(Carried)

R-194-22 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 51-22, being a By-law to amend zoning by-law 56-14, Part Lot 13, Con. 7, 559 Springhill Road and further; That By-Law #51-22 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 6th day of December 2022. (Carried)

6.1.2 Councillor Abbott declared pecuniary interest, sat back from the Council table and did not participate in the discussion or vote on this item of business. The Deputy Clerk informed Council about staff and volunteer recognition and the following resolution was adopted.

R-195-22 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council direct that recognition be provided as outlined in the attached Staff Recognition Report dated November 28, 2022. Beverly Abbott declared a pecuniary interest. (Carried)

6.1.3 The Deputy Clerk, Nancy Field provided Council with a report regarding the Magnetawan Watershed Communications and the following resolution was adopted.

R-196-22 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

WHEREAS the Magnetawan River Watershed Communications Committee, Lake Bernard Water Management Discussion is seeking input in the interest of maintaining momentum on this collaborative discussion;

NOW THEREFORE Be it Resolved that Ryerson Township Council provides the following:

- Ryerson Township Council supports pursuing and examining the feasibility, effectiveness and impacts/benefits of the proposed operational changes identified on Lake Bernard;
- Ryerson Township is a downstream community from Lake Bernard, and as such maintains an interest in Magnetawan Watershed issues. Council will support broader communications/consultations regarding effects on the Magnetawan River Watershed by participation in meetings, posting information and notices on the municipal website, and in mail out newsletters. (Carried)

CLERK:

6.2 Council was provided with information regarding a boundary agreement with Perry and adopted the following resolution.

R-197-22 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 52-22, being a By-law to enter into an agreement with Township of Perry for boundary road maintenance and further; That By-Law # 52-22 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 6th day of December 2022. (Carried)

6.2 The Clerk informed Council about Council Professional Development and AMO Conflict Resolution. Four members of Council are interested in this training when it becomes available.

6.2 Council was provided with information about the Santa Claus parade and Council requested that a detailed annual financial report be provided from the Committee. The following resolution was adopted.

R-198-22 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$200.00 annually to the Santa Claus Parade Committee and that these funds be drawn from the parkland reserve. (Carried)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARDS:

6.3 Waste Management: Council received information regarding waste management and the annual allotment of bags. The following resolution was adopted.

R-199-22 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Ryerson approve the issuance of 45 free garbage bags, for 2023, to property owners with residence/cottage/licensed trailer on their property and tenants within the Township of Ryerson. No free garbage bags shall be issued to property owners of Commercial/Industrial operations. (Carried)

6.4 Eastholme: Mayor George Sterling provided Council with a report on Eastholme.

7. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

7.1 Council received follow up from information about the Regional Committee Appointments. Councillor Patterson provided information on the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Board and the following Resolution was adopted.

R-200-22 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Ryerson endorses Delynne Patterson, Councillor, for the position of Zone 9 Representative for the 2023-2027 ROMA Board of Directors. (Carried)

8. NOTICE OF MOTION: None noted.

9. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

9.1 Council received information regarding the OPP Policing Board.

9.2 Council received information about Bill 23, More Homes Build Faster Act, and the following resolution was adopted.

R-201-22 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council oppose Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, which in its current state will affect nine pieces of current legislation, potentially having a severe impact on environmental protection, heritage preservation, public participation and negatively impact residential tax rates;AND that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing be requested to extend the commenting period for all components of Bill 23, to allow for a more informed consultation period;AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Graydon Smith, M.P.P. Parry Sound Muskoka. (Carried)

General Information Items:

- Council received the minutes from the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre (AHHC)
- Council received a Press Release regarding Hollywood North
- Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) correspondence was received.
- Council was provided with information from Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) about planning for two hospitals.

10. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 202 -22 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #53-22, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 53-22 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council 6th day of December 2022. (Carried)

11. IMPORTANT DATES:

December 20, 2022: Regular Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 203 -22 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 6:48 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 20,2022 at 6:00pm. (Carried)

Original Signed by George Sterling
MAYOR

Original signed by Nancy Field
CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK