

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

February 28, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **February 28, 2023** 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: Brayden Robinson, Judy Kosowan and Kryssi Sinclair.

Public attending by phone or electronically: Judy Ransome, Nieves Guijarro, Brenda Tota, and Paul Van Dam.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 27 - 23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the special meeting February 7, 2023, the public meeting and the regular meeting February 7, 2023 be adopted as circulated. (Carried)

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

4. DELEGATION:

4.1 Wilma Robert and Rod Blakelock provided Council with information regarding Agricultural Society. Events planned for the fall fair including rides and vendors were outlined. The Agricultural Society will continue to work with Burks Falls regarding use of the arena and alternative options for fair day.

5. TENDERS

5.1 Council received tenders for supply and delivery of clear and coloured diesel fuel and the following resolution was adopted.

R- 28 -23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the tender for supply and delivery of clear and coloured diesel fuel from Bowman Fuels (Carried)

6. REPORTS:

DEPUTY CLERK:

6.1 Council received a report regarding the sandbag policy and adopted the following resolution.

R- 29 - 23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council has received the March 2023 Sandbag Policy. (Carried)

6.1.1 Council received a report about the release of Tax Assessment Information and the following resolution was adopted.

R- 30 -23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the Release of Tax Assessment Information Policy, as attached as Schedule 'A'. (Carried)

COUNCIL REPORTS:

6.2.1 Councillor Abbott provided Council with Library reports, and the Declaration Statement Freedom to Read Week was read aloud.

6.2.2 Council Patterson shared information regarding the ROMA Conference and the Conflict Resolution Course. Bill 23 was discussed regarding the elected officials concerns and the following resolution was adopted.

R- 31 -23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Delynne Patterson be appointed to attend meetings of the Working Group of Concerned Elected Officials regarding Bill 23. (Carried)

6.2.3 Mayor Sterling provided a report regarding the Historical Society Heritage Day.

7. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

7.1 Almaguin Highlands Health Centre meeting minutes, progress reports and Councillor Patterson's staff report were provided to Council.

7.2 Council received information from Rod Ward regarding the Hospital Local Share, Council will be considering this matter further before a decision is made.

7.3 Council discussed the Agricultural Society's Presentation and adopted the following resolution.

R- 32 - 23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$300 to the Armour, Ryerson, Burks Falls Agricultural Society for the 2023 Fall Fair. (Carried)

8. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

8.1 Council received information about Home Sharing from Friends Parry Sound

8.2 Council received information from Chamber of Commerce regarding Influential Women of Almaguin, and will not be donating to this event.

General Information Items Received:

-Council received the January statistics and the February meeting minutes from the Joint Building Committee.

-Council received updates from the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association.

-Council received ACED budget resolutions of support from the Township of Perry and the Township of Strong.

9. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 33 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #11 -23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 11-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 28th day of February 2023. (Carried)

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

R- 34 -23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,
Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:10 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for
March 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by George Sterling

MAYOR

Original signed by Nancy Field

~~CLERK~~/DEPUTY CLERK