

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

February 2, 2021

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held Tuesday evening February 2, 2021 at 6:10 p.m. This was a fully electronic meeting via Zoom because our region was in Provincial lockdown due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Mayor Sterling participated from the municipal office via Zoom.

Council members attending electronically: Barbara Marlow, Delynne Patterson, Penny Brandt, Celia Finley.

Staff in attendance at the municipal office attending via Zoom: Dave McNay, Nancy Field, Brayden Robinson, Judy Kosowan.

Public attending electronically: Paul Van Dam, Lee McConnell (Almaguin News), Judy Ransome, Nieves Guijarro.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes from the regular meeting January 12, 2021 and special meeting January 19, 2021 were adopted as circulated, on a motion moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Marlow. (Carried)

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Council considered quotes for cyber security insurance and adopted a resolution as noted below.

STAFF REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Dave McNay outlined the 2021 fire department budget and a resolution was adopted approving the budget. Council received the Chief's February staff report. Council received a report updating information regarding the Regional Fire Training Officer shared municipal agreement. More information will be provided regarding this at a future meeting.

DEPUTY CLERK: Nancy Field provided a staff report regarding consent applications file numbers B-029/20 and B-030/20 (Lots 2 and 3, Concession 11). The consent was approved by resolution.

A site plan agreement for Part Lot 5, Concession 2 (Plan 42R-21518 Part 5), 1732 Pegg's Mountain Rd. A by-law to enter into the site plan agreement was adopted.

Council received and adopted the amended Clean Yard By-law.

TREASURER: Council received the budgets for Library, Landfill and Arena. No comments were received.

CLERK: Council received information and request for a letter of concurrence for a Municipality of Magnetawan communication tower project to be located on the Rosskopf

boundary Road. No questions were noted and a resolution regarding this project will be brought forward at the next meeting.

Council received a staff report regarding distribution of materials during electronic closed meetings and an option for municipally issued electronic devices. The matter will be discussed further during budget deliberations.

COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor Marlow provided updates from the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board, and the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre meetings.

Council received minutes from the Joint Building Committee meeting January 21, 2021 and Councillor Brandt noted that the resolution from the Committee recommending a wage increase would be discussed further at the closed meeting.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) re: Pegg's Mountain pit/quarry. A further telephone conference call is scheduled for February 25, 2021
- Statistics Canada re: 2021 Census (resolution)
- Correspondence was received from the Village of Burks Falls regarding Expansion for Community Facility at the Arena, Councillor Marlow was appointed as representative and will take the ideas discussed to the meeting
- Information was received from the Regional Recreation Committee regarding the Driftscape mobile app. A variety of recreational options were discussed and will be brought forward to the Regional Committee

BY-LAWS

- By-law # 05-21 Clean yard
- By-law # 06-21 Site Plan Agreement
- By-law # 07-21 Confirm meetings of Council

CLOSED MEETING

Council moved to a closed meeting at 7:47 p.m. Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusions and returned to the open meeting at 8:31 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting January 12, 2021 and special meeting January 19, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council purchase cyber security insurance as proposed by Kennedy Insurance, in the amount of \$ 2,855.00 from Coalition.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the final 2021 Burks Falls and District Fire Department Budget for presentation at the Tri-Council meeting February 22, 2021.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports Consent Applications B-029/20 and B-030/20 Lots 2 &3, Concession 11 (Barry West, James West, Jennifer West). Subject to the following conditions:

- If the reference plan or other evidence discloses that either the severed property or the retained property owned by the Applicant contains a deviation road maintained by the

Township as a public road, then the Applicant shall survey and transfer such deviation road to the Township as a condition of severance. The area to be surveyed and transferred shall generally be 66 feet in width and centered upon the centre line of the present traveled road. In situations where this is impractical, the Applicant should discuss how this requirement will be fulfilled with the Municipality before the reference plan is finalized.

- The Township requires one copy of the draft reference plan and two copies of the Final Reference Plan.
- As a condition of severance approval, the minimum frontage on severed lot 2 shall be the greater of 100 metres or the tree line between severed lots 1 and 2.
- As a condition of severance approval, the Applicant shall pay to the Municipality in which the land is located, or otherwise satisfy the requirement for donation of Parkland set out in Section 51.1 of the Planning Act.
- The Township requires that for any proposed entrance: The Public Works Supervisor will be contacted to inspect the location to determine that a safe location for an entrance can be found. The Planning Board will be advised in writing that this condition has been met, before finalization of the consent is given.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 06-21, being a By-law to enter into a site plan agreement Part Lot 5, Concession 2, Plan 42R: 21518 Part 5 and further; That By-Law # 06-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 2nd day of February, 2021.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 05-21, being a Clean Yard By-law and further; That By-Law # 05-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 2nd day of February 2021.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson supports the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at www.census.gc.ca. Accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support continuing the discussions for the expansion of the arena and fundraising ideas to help fund the project, and that Barbara Marlow be appointed as the representative on the Arena Expansion Planning Committee.

Recorded vote: Yes: Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. No: Brandt. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 07-21, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 07-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 2 day of February, 2021.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that we move to a closed session at 7:47 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 two items: Joint Building Committee employee compensation and negotiate updated salary information for Township staff compensation.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Resolution Number 2021-008 from the Joint Building Committee, recommending to the member municipalities that the Building Inspector wage be increased by \$1.00 per hour and that the CBO receive an increase of 2.5% to the annual salary effective the first pay period of 2021.

Recorded vote: Yes: None No: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Defeated)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 8:34 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Recorded vote: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK