

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

November 5, 2019

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening November 5, 2019. Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council members present: Mayor George Sterling, Councillors Barbara Marlow, Delynne Patterson, Penny Brandt and Celia Finley.

Staff in attendance: Judy Kosowan, Lloyd Van Duzen and Nancy Field.

Pubic in attendance: Paul Van Dam, Judy Ransome, Chris Blythe, Nicky Kunkel, Cathy Still, Carol and Stan Koebel, John Finley and John Britten.

Notice of this meeting was put on the website, posted on the front door of the office and recorded on the telephone voice message.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes from the regular meeting October 15, 2019 were adopted as circulated and Tri-Council meeting minutes October 28, 2019 were adopted as amended by adding: Regrets: Lewis Hodgson and Cathy Still

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Cathy Still and Clerk Nicky Kunkel from the Village of Burk's Falls attended the meeting to provide Council with information regarding the re-purposing of the Armour, Ryerson, Burk's Falls Memorial Arena, a shared service. An "in principle" resolution supported Burk's Falls submitting a grant application to Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Community Culture and Recreation, as noted below. It was clarified that Burk's falls is submitting a grant application on behalf of the three partner municipalities and that 26.67% will be funded by the municipalities. Burk's Falls indicated that they will be going to Infrastructure Ontario for a loan to fund their portion, and it was noted that Ryerson Township will have to determine how they will fund their portion. Council requested that the application include a library as part of the re-purposing proposal as it would be cost effective to complete at the same time.

DELEGATION

Paul Van Dam was looking for Council to provide more information from the September 18th meeting of the Magnetawan Council.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Carol Koebel from the Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club discussed the site visit that the club members had with the Ryerson Roads Supervisor and provided Council with an outline of the snowmobile clubs complaints process.

Public Works Supervisor Lloyd Van Duzen was present to provide his report stating that the location of the trail is good now and there are open lines of communication between the club and the Township.

Information from Kennedy Insurance and Robert van der Wijst regarding risk management was provided as per request from last meeting.

A resolution regarding snowmobile club land use permission was passed contingent upon receipt of proof of insurance from O.F.S.C, including the indemnification and hold harmless clause wording, provided by our insurers

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Four proposals for legal services were received and a recommendation was provided to Council to accept the proposal from Barriston LLP. A resolution was carried, as noted below.

STAFF REPORTS

DEPUTY CLERK: Minutes from the Regional Fire Services Committee meeting were received along with correspondence from Armour Township. A resolution that Council support the proposed development for a Regional Fire Department, in principle, as noted below. Invitation for Council to attend the Emergency Planning Exercise on November 22, 2019 was received. The appointment of Greg Rutledge as our Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) and alternates Nicky Kunkel and Erica Kellogg, By-law noted below.

CLERK: The Audit Renewal contract was discussed and a by-law was passed as noted below. Up-dates were provided regarding municipal services and the asset management plan. Council directed staff to provide a draft request for proposal for service delivery review at the December 3rd meeting. The date of November 27th was set for a meeting regarding the asset management plan. Fred Dean and Nigel Bellchamber are offering a Meetings Workshop, a resolution was adopted for Council and staff members to attend, as noted below. Information was received for the Remembrance Day Service at the Legion beginning at 10:00 a.m., November 11th, followed by a service at the Cenotaph. Christmas/Holiday dinner information was discussed.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Marlow: Provided information and spoke to Council about the Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC), Local Share funding, and correspondence from Armour Township.

Councillor Patterson: Spoke to Council and provided a written library report with the budget, including a letter from Burks Falls to the Library, to provide more information relating to the budget. Staff was directed to send a letter to the Library Board outlining Councils concerns with the 2020 proposed budget.

Mayor Sterling: Highlighted some of the points from written reports of Eastholme and Planning Board meetings.

CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Brandt: Provided Council with a written summary of the Building Services Transformation session that she attended on October 7, 2019 in North Bay.

Chris Blythe: Points to Consider in Granting the Annual OFSC Affiliate's Request to Use Ryerson Township's Municipal Right-of-Ways.

John Rose: Ryerson Township usage of snowmobiles.

Ministry of Finance: 2020 (Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) allocation.

Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) and Norm Miller, M.P.P.: funding announcement and correspondence from physicians.

Armour Township: Minutes from the Tri-Council meeting.

District of Parry, Violence Against Women Coordinating Committee: National Day of Remembrance.

BY-LAWS

By-law # 43-19 to appoint an Auditor

By-law # 44-19 to contract an Engineer of Record

By-law # 45-19 to appoint a Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) and alternates

By-law # 46-19 to confirm the meetings of Council

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting October 15, 2019 be adopted as circulated and that the minutes from the Tri-Council meeting October 28, 2019 be adopted as amended by adding: Regrets: Lewis Hodgson and Cathy Still. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Ryerson support the application for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Community Culture and Recreation for the purpose of an addition for a community gym and fitness center to the Armour, Ryerson Burk's Falls Memorial Arena and to renovate the existing community hall and arena ice area, in principle, to be submitted by the Village of Burk's Falls. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council enter into the MOU agreement with the Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club, contingent upon receipt of proof of insurance from the OFSC, including the indemnification and hold harmless clause wording provided by our insurers. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the Request for Proposal RFP for Barriston LLP to provide Legal Services. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 43-19, being a By-law to Appoint an Auditor and further; That By-Law # 43 -19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 5th day of November, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council put out a call for Request for Proposal for Service Delivery Review forthwith, to be closed as of Jan. 6, 2020. Recorded vote called by Barbara Marlow. Yeas: Penny Brandt and Celia Finley Nays: Barb Marlow, Delynne Patterson and George Sterling (Defeated)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the proposed development of a model for a Regional Fire Department; and further support, in principle, the funding model based on all participants contributing their numbers from the 2019 fire budgets. Our 2019 Fire Department budget will be submitted to the Committee for inclusion in this process. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize: Celia Finley, Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field, Penny Brandt, Delynne Patterson, Barbara Marlow, George Sterling to attend the Fred Dean/Nigel Bellchamber, Meetings Workshop, in North Bay December 10, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 44-19, being a By-law to contract an Engineer of Record and further; That By-Law # 44-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 5th day of November, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 45-19, being a By-law to appoint a Community Emergency Management Coordinator and Alternates for the Township of Ryerson and further; That By-Law # 45-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 5th day of November, 2019 (Carried).

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 46-19, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 46-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 5th day of November, 2019 (Carried).

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 9:07 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK