

# **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON**

## **MINUTES**

**May 17, 2016**

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening May 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Rosalind Hall, Barbara Marlow, Doug Weddel and George Sterling.

Staff in attendance: Leanne Fetterley; Judy Edwards; Marjorie Robinson; Bob Edmunds; Judy Kosowan.

Delegations & Guests in attendance: Judy Kleinhuis; Paul Van Dam; Steve Napper; 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 regular meeting May 3, 2016 were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Sterling and seconded by Councillor Hall. (Carried)

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None Declared.

### **PRESENTATION:**

Judy Kleinhuis, Accountant from Grant Thornton attended the meeting to present the 2015 Consolidated Financial Statements to Council. Several questions were asked and overall there were no issues with the audit opinion and the 2015 statements.

### **DELEGATION:**

Steve Napper from Part Lot 19, Concession 3 attended to discuss a proposed minor variance to reduce a front yard setback to permit an old cottage to be re-built in a more suitable location. It was suggested that Mr. Napper proceed with a minor variance application.

### **COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT**

Written report dated May 9, 2016 received by Council.

### **PRESENTATION:**

Treasurer Judy Edwards and Management Accountant Marjory Robinson presented the draft 2016 budget. Council made several changes and requested that two scenarios be presented at the budget meeting May 31, 2016.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT**

Public Works Supervisor provided a written report dated May 13, 2016 highlighting department activities including: proposed work on Midlothian Rd. and Nipissing Road; grading operations, culverts and the Rockwynn Docks.

Concern about the use of the gravel retriever was discussed.

## **DEPUTY CLERK'S REPORT**

Deputy Clerk Leanne Fetterley verbally reported on: a recent meeting with the Near North Board of Education as part of their community outreach initiative; the AMCTO Workshop; CEMC training; and the Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare teleconference.

The event policy was presented and adopted by the resolution noted below.

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

A written report dated May 17, 2016 provided general administration up-dates highlighting: the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and Ontario Good Roads Association conferences; a meeting with Fred Dean; Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference delegation request; Almaguin Highlands Health Centre; Request for Quotation for the Peggs Mountain Road, road structure needs assessment.

A special meeting of Council was scheduled for Thursday May 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to complete unfinished business.

## **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

Rosalind Hall and Barbara Marlow reported on the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) conference they recently attended.

## **NEW BUSINESS/LIST OF RESOLUTIONS/CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER**

Municipality of South Dundas being a request to support a resolution regarding Rural Economic Development (RED) Program

## **BY-LAWS**

By-law # 21-16 being a by-law to issue a debenture with Infrastructure Ontario  
By-law # 22 -16 being a By-Law to set Tax Ratios for Municipal Purposes for the year 2016.

By-law # 23 -16, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

## **REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING**

Staff to follow direction given in closed meeting.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

- Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the Township of Ryerson Consolidated Financial Statements for 2015 and the 2015 Burks Falls and District Fire Department Financial Statements. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council endorse the letter from the Burks Falls and Area Community Economic Development Committee (BACED) to the Minister of Northern Development and Mines concerning the proposed integration of the Rural Economic Development (RED) Program and the proposed integration of the RED Program into the Jobs and Prosperity Fund. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the attached Special Events Policy dated May 17, 2016. (Carried)

- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Weddel WHEREAS the availability of health care in our region is an important value to Ryerson Township Council and our residents; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council support the Village of Burks Falls, in principle, in their recruitment efforts to attract health professionals to set up dental and medical practices at the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre (AHHC). AND FURTHER that future consideration may be given to financial support of this initiative when a business plan and detailed financial information are available. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the resolution received from the Municipality of South Dundas requesting the Province to reconsider the suspension of the Rural Economic Development (RED) Program and the proposed integration of the RED Program into the Jobs and Prosperity Fund.
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize Judy Kosowan and Leanne Fetterley to attend the AMO meeting in Bracebridge May 19, 2016. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 21-16, being a By-law to issue a debenture towards the cost of Nipissing Rd. and Midlothian Rd. bridge and further; That By-Law # 21– 16 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Hall be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 22-16, being a By-law to set tax ratios and further; That By-Law # 22 – 16 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 23-16, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council and further; That By-Law # 23 – 16 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling that we move to a closed session at 10:50 p.m., pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2) (c) as the subject matter being considered is regarding a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board. (Carried)
- Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling that we do now adjourn at 11:01 p.m. There will be a special Council meeting to consider the 2016 budget Tuesday May 31, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by Glenn Miller  
REEVE

Original signed by Judy Kosowan  
CLERK