

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

February 19, 2019

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening February 19, 2019. Mayor Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

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

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 Tri-Council Meeting February 4, 2019 and Regular Meeting February 5, 2019 were adopted as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Brandt, and seconded by Councillor Patterson. (Carried)

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

DELEGATION: None.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works: The Public Works Supervisor up-dated Council regarding the concerns and changes to the Magnetawan Ridge Runner Snowmobile Trail and updated Council regarding the Township's winter sand.

Deputy Clerk: Reported on the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, Declarations of Pecuniary Interest Registry. Mention was made to Council about the Northeastern Fire Education Conference and Trade Show.

Treasurer: Brayden Robinson reported on the 2018 Council remuneration and expense report. Information was provided to Council regarding point of sale debit machine/tax payments.

Clerk: Council received the Shared Services Budgets for 2019 for consideration.

The Clerk provided a follow-up regarding Spring Hill Road for information purposes and direction for the next steps.

A letter was received from the Burk's Falls and Area Winterfest Committee thanking Council for the continued support and contribution towards the 2020 event.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Finley provided a detailed report to Council from the February 11th meeting, updating the Economic Development progress, strategy and budgets for the transition from Burk's Falls and Area Community Economic Development Committee (BACED) to Regional Economic Development. Councillor Finley expressed an interest to be the representative on the interim board for Almaguin Community Economic Development. Councillor Finley also gave a report to Council on a Sports and Recreation Committee meeting that was attended in Burks Falls.

Councillor Patterson provided a verbal report from the Historical Society Meeting, and noted it is their 25 anniversary this year. It was reported about the work being done archiving information and some history was provided regarding the Wiseman Corner's Schoolhouse.

Councillor Marlow provided Council with the minutes from the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee meeting. Councillor Marlow also reported on the District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB) meeting she recently attended. Councillor Marlow has been appointed the Vice Chair of the Board. Council was informed that the union has settled into a five (5) year contract and that the 2019 budget would be finalized soon.

CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS

- District of Parry Sound Social Services: Honorariums and Expenses
- Ombudsman: Open Meetings a Guide for Municipalities.
- Municipality of Neebing: Conservation Land Tax Incentive Program (Resolution).

BY-LAWS

- By-law# 11 - 19: Tree Canopy
- By-law# 12 - 19: Maternity Leave
- By-law #13 - 19: To confirm the meetings of Council

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that the minutes from the Tri-Council Meeting February 4, 2019 and Regular Meeting February 5, 2019 be adopted as circulated.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that we move to a closed session at 6:30 p.m., pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section (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: human resources matters.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council has received the Statement of Council Remuneration and Expenses Report for 2018.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2019 Rabies Clinic Budget in the amount of \$365.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$121.67.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2019 Fire Budget, net expenditures in the amount of 418,494.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$98,597.00. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$1,850.00 will be put into a fire reserve.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2019 South East Parry Sound Regional Fire Training Officer Budget, in the amount of \$83,408.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$3,930.00.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council appoint Celia Finley, as the representative on the interim board, Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson supports the resolution passed by the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing, in the matter pertaining to the Conservation Land Tax Incentive Program (CLTIP). (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 11-19, being a By-law to adopt the tree canopy and natural vegetation policy and further; That By-Law #11-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 19th day of February, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley, Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 12 -19, being a By-law to adopt the council pregnancy/parental leave policy and further; That By-Law # 12 - 19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 19th day of February, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 13 -19, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #13 -19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 19th day of February, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 8:50 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK