

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES(DRAFT)

March 19, 2019

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening March 19, 2019. Deputy Mayor Marlow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Staff in attendance: Judy Kosowan, Nancy Field, Dave McNay, Joe Readman and Ken Stevens.

Public in attendance: Judy Ransome, Paul Van Dam and Peter Febel

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 28, 2019 and the Regular Meeting March 5, 2019 were adopted as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Patterson, and seconded by Councillor Brandt. (Carried)

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

DELEGATION: None.

STAFF REPORTS

Fire Department: Dave McNay provided department updates and a presentation to Council regarding a proposal to purchase new equipment.

By-law: Caitlin Deevey spoke to Council regarding the number of calls she has attended in the past year. Information was provided about the training she has completed to date and how training costs were dispersed. Caitlin requested Council's consideration of her contract renewal.

Public Works: A letter from Fowlers was provided to Council for approval regarding Fowlers proposal to deliver reclaimed asphalt pavement to Ryerson Township yard to fulfill their contractual requirements to MTO. A job description was received for the position of Lead Hand/ Truck Driver/Equipment Operator/ Health and Safety Representative.

It was noted that Public Works has been busy with the spring road operations.

Deputy Clerk: Recommended adopting a Complaints Policy to establish a process to receive and handle complaints, and provided Council with an updated Sand Bag Policy.

Clerk: A written report was provided along with a Table of Contents for the Council Orientation Binder. Information regarding the Procurement By-law 59-14 was discussed. Cost of Living information was received and discussed.

COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor Finley reported about the Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) planning update for Two Acute Hospital Sites, she highlighted some of the local statistics for costs and funding.

Councillor Marlow initiated a discussion regarding the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) "As a Member of Council, What you Need to Know" and "Land Use Planning" that all the Councillors attended.

Councillor Patterson provided a detailed written report to Council about the AMO Council training and planning sessions where council learned more about local government.

Councillor Finley reported Burks Falls & Area Community Economic Development (BACED) and Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) It was reported that BACED had its last meeting and will go forward as ACED working on the Draft 2019 work plan striving to meet regional economic development goals.

Councillor Patterson provided an update from the Burk's Falls and District Historical Society meeting, included the Treasurers report and current memberships.

Councillor Marlow Reported on the District Social Services Administration Board meeting and they are conducting interviews to hire a Chief Administrative Officer.

CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS

- FONOM re: Infrastructure funding announcement
- Joint Building Committee Permit Summary
- Township of Armour Zoning By-law Amendment
- Minister of Infrastructure - Infrastructure funding announcement
- Ministry of Finance – Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF)
- Almaguin Highlands Strategic Plan, 2019 Budget

BY-LAWS

By-law 14-19: To adopt a complaints Policy

By-law 15-19: To confirm the meetings of Council

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that the minutes from the Tri-Council Meeting February 28, 2019 and Regular Meeting March 5, 2019 be adopted as circulated. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the proposal from Fowler regarding MTO # 2018-5103 – Highway 520, Highway 7162 and Highway 7188 – Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement Load Delivery quantities, dated March 13, 2019, with details as attached. The Township of Ryerson and Fowler both agree that there is a deficit of 110 loads. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the Lead Hand job description dated March 19, 2019 as attached. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize an increase of 2.5 % for 2019 to be applied to the salary grid, council pay and road department stand-by policy, retroactively to January 1, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #14-19, being a By-law to adopt a Complaints Policy; That By-Law #14-19 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 March, 2019.(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #15 -19, being a By-law to enter into an employment contract; That By-Law #15 -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 March, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #16-19, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #16-19 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 March, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that we move to a closed session at 7:30 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: performance evaluations and the salary schedule (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 8:15 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
(Carried)

(DEPUTY) MAYOR

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