

# **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON**

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

April 21, 2020

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening April 21, 2020. Electronic attendance was supported using Zoom. Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Staff in attendance: Judy Kosowan, Nancy Field and Brayden Robinson

Public in attendance: Paul Van Dam

Notice of this meeting, that allowed electronic attendance during a COVID-19 declared Health Emergency, 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 special meeting and regular meeting April 7, 2020 were adopted as circulated, on a motion moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow.

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

#### **TENDERS/QUOTES/REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

Council considered the following tenders and resolutions were adopted as noted below:

Winter Sand, PW 2-20 tender for Carr Aggregates in the amount of \$31,694.00 plus HST.

Supply & Apply Crushed Granite, PW 3-20 tender for Fowler Construction  
\$55,465.80 plus HST.

Crush, apply and stockpile Granular A, PW 4-20 tender for Carr Aggregates \$84,474.79 plus HST.

Roadside Barriers, PW 5-20 tender for Centennial Contracting \$24,500.00 plus HST.

#### **STAFF REPORTS:**

DEPUTY CLERK: Concerns were expressed about the timing of the Town Hall Meeting July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 and a decision was made to cancel the event for this year due to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 emergency. A resolution is noted below.

TREASURER: Brayden Robinson provided Council an introduction to the 2020 draft budget. The budget will be considered further at the next meeting.

Council clarified that although they have not supported the budget from the Almaguin Community Economic Development Committee (ACED) budget, Ryerson has not opted out of ACED.

The Library Budget was discussed and a resolution was adopted as noted below.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER BUSINESS**

- Village of Burk`s Falls: regarding Physician recruitment and retention incentives (resolution).
- Village of Burk`s Falls: regarding ongoing costs (resolution).

- Village of Burk's Falls: Almaguin Highlands Health Centre (AHHC) report.
- Village of Burk's Falls, Almaguin Highlands Health Centre (AHHC) re: past revenues and expenditures.

### **BY-LAWS**

By-law # 12-20 to confirm the meetings of Council.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that the minutes from the Special meeting and the regular meeting April 7, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council accept the tender PW 2-20 for winter sand from Carr Aggregates for the amount of \$31,694.00 plus HST.. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council accept the tender PW 3-20 the supply and apply of crushed granite from Fowler Construction for the amount of \$55,465.80 plus HST. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council accept the tender PW 4-20 for the crush, apply, and stockpile of Granular A from Carr Aggregates for the amount of \$84,474.78 plus HST. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council accept the tender PW 5-20 for roadside barriers from Centennial Contracting for the amount of \$24,500.00 plus HST. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley and Mayor Sterling. Nay: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Patterson (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve cancelling the Town Hall Meeting that was scheduled for Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 because of the uncertainty of COVID-19. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2020 net Library Board budget in the amount of \$133,494.00. Ryerson's share to be \$24,616.00. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the annual donation of \$4,545.00 towards ongoing operating costs of the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the one time contribution of \$1,600.00 towards the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre for physician retention. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: Councillor Marlow (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council support the initiative request from ACED, Almaguin Delivery and Subsidy Program, for the amount of \$500.00. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 12-20, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #12-20 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 21st day of April, 2020. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:23. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 5th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Recorded Vote, Yea: Councillor Marlow, Councillor Brandt, Councillor Finley, Councillor Patterson and Mayor Sterling. Nay: None (Carried)

Original signed by George Sterling

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MAYOR

Original Signed by Nancy Field

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CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK