

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #07
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
April 16th, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kevin Kahoot called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

Mayor Kevin Kahoot, Councillor Jim Desmarais, Councillor Rob Eady, Councillor Fred Melanson, Councillor Vic Robinson, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, Deputy Clerk Treasurer Paulette Covell, Public Service & Operations Supervisor Perry Dyck, and two (2) members of the public.

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

C12-BO

- 4.1 Northwestern Health Unit Board, Municipal Representative –
Councillor Carol Baron
- Northwestern Health Unit Update

Councillor Carol Baron thanked Council for their support to sit on the Northwestern Health Unit Board for the past year as the Ear Falls / Red Lake Representative.

The Northwestern Health Unit has retained a new Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Kit Ngan Young Hoon, after the retirement Dr. Jim Arthur.

The “Do One Thing Conference” is coming up on May 27th and 28th, 2014. There is a post-conference session on May 29th as well. Municipalities and members of the Health community have been invited to attend. There are a number of workshops planned.

Councillor Melanson and Desmarais entered the Meeting at this point.

The “Do One Thing” campaign is focused on health lifestyle choices, eating well and exercising more. The focus is on doing one thing at a time so that making healthy choices is manageable.

The Northwestern Health Unit also has a new website that will be unveiled at the Conference. The site will have a page for each community that will detail local events.

Council thanked Carol for her presentation and her participation on the NWHU Board.

PART I – CONSENT AGENDA

(For the purpose of convenience and for expediting Meetings, matters of business of repetitive or routine nature are included in the Consent Agenda, and all such matters of business contained in the Consent Agenda are voted on collectively.

A particular matter of business may be singled out from the Consent Agenda for debate or for a separate vote upon the request of any Member of Council. In the case of a separate vote, the excluded matter of business is severed from the Consent Agenda, and only the remaining matters of business contained in the Consent Agenda are voted on collectively.

Each and every matter of business contained in the Consent Agenda is recorded separately in the Minutes of the Meeting.)

Council requested clarification on Item Nos. 8.2.2, 8.3, and 8.4.

RESOLUTION NO. 117

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby adopts the Items in Sections 5 – 8 of Part 1 – Consent Agenda.

Carried.

5 MINUTES

5.1 The review and passing of the Minutes of the previous Meetings.

5.1.1 April 2nd, 2014 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 118

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls accepts the Minutes of the previous Meeting of Council numbered 5.1.1 at the April 16th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees

5.2.1 February 26th, 2014 – Ear Falls Joint Occupational Health & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 119

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Minutes of Committees numbered 5.2.1 at the April 16th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations

5.3.1 February 27th, 2014 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

5.3.2 April 8th, 2014 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #5 Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 120

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations numbered 5.3.1 to 5.3.2 at the April 16th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

C.O.

7.1 Reports from Departments.

7.1.1 Workshop Report from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Webinar regarding Municipal Liquor Liability, provided by Frank Cowan Company.

RESOLUTION NO. 121

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Report from Departments numbered 7.1.1 at the April 16th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

8.1 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated April 10th, 2014).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated April 10th, 2014) in accordance with By-Law 1635-11.

8.2 Correspondence

A01-MU

8.2.1 Document dated March 24th, 2014 from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario re: the new Accountability and Transparency Act with proposed new requirements to be imposed on Municipal Governments.

A01-MU

8.2.2 Email dated March 28th, 2014 from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario re: New Building Canada Fund Announcement.

Clarification was requested on the deadline to submit a Funding Application.

D02-NU

8.2.3 Letter dated March 2014 from the Nuclear Waste Management Organization re: the Learning More Together - Triennial Report 2011 to 2013.

L14-ON

8.2.4 Letter dated March 31st, 2014 from the Ministry of Consumer Services re: Update regarding the implementation of the Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act.

L04-ON

8.2.5 Document from ON1Call re: Notification that the new Regulation of the Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act is now in force.

T04-TR

8.2.6 Letter dated March 31st, 2014 from Hatch Mott MacDonald re: Notification that the Ministry of Transportation is proposing a “Step-Down” of the project from a Group ‘B’ to a Group ‘C’.

A16-NA

8.2.7 Document from the Ministry of Natural Resources re: Bear Encounters – Who Do I Call?

RESOLUTION NO. 122

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.2.1 to 8.2.7 at the April 16th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

M02-PR

- 8.3 Letter dated March 24th, 2014 from the Ministry Responsible for Seniors Affairs re: Request to proclaim June as Senior's Month.

Clarification was requested regarding the proclamation and if any events were planned for Senior's Month.

RESOLUTION NO. 123

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

WHEREAS Seniors' Month is an annual nation-wide celebration; and

WHEREAS seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community; and

WHEREAS seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this community; and

WHEREAS their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told; and

WHEREAS the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community; and

WHEREAS the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor Kevin Kahoot, do hereby proclaim June 1st – 30th, 2014 Seniors' Month in the Township of Ear Falls and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried.

E03-IN

- 8.4 Letter dated March 27th, 2014 from the Ministry of the Environment re: the Ear Falls Water Treatment Plant Inspection Report (2013 – 2014) dated February 13th, 2014.

Clarification was requested on the requirements in the Inspection Report.

RESOLUTION NO. 124

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Ear Falls Water Treatment Plant Inspection Report (2013 – 2014) dated February 13th, 2014.

Carried.

L04-CO

- 8.5 Letter dated April 2nd, 2013 from the Ontario Labour Relations Board re: Decision that the Board finds and declares that Unifor is a successor to the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada Local 324.

RESOLUTION NO. 125

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Ontario Labour Relations Board Decision of the Board dated April 2nd, 2014 and numbered 2644-13-R.

Carried.

F.C.

- 8.6 Travel and attendance for Fire Chief Darryl Desjardins to the Kenora Central Ambulance Communication's Centre Meeting being held on April 17th, 2014 in Kenora.

RESOLUTION NO. 126

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Fire Chief Darryl Desjardins be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Kenora Central Ambulance Communication's Centre Meeting being held on April 17th, 2014 in Kenora.

Carried.

M02-FA

- 8.7 Family Safety Night to be held Thursday, May 15th, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 127

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Township of Ear Falls waives the Rental Fee for use of the Arena Ice Surface at the Recreation Centre for Ear Falls Family Safety Night being held on Thursday, May 15th, 2014; and

FURTHER THAT Thursday, May 15th, 2014 be declared Family Safety Night in the Township of Ear Falls.

Carried.

9.1 By-Law No. 1868-14, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

*F04-BA

9.2 By-Law No. 1869-14, a By-Law to Establish a Water Distribution / Wastewater Collection Reserve Fund.

L07-LE

9.3 By-Law No. 1870-14, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement with Mark Legros for the Provision of Golf Course Clubhouse Services.

RESOLUTION NO. 128

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 1868-14, 1869-14 and 1870-14 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None.

11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

D02-NW

11.1 Community Well-Being Reserve Fund – Suggested Projects.

- a) Letter dated March 28th, 2014 from Susan Cullen.
- b) Letter dated March 31st, 2014 from the Ear Falls Lions Club President, Tim Neidenbach.
- c) Email dated April 7th, 2014 from Matthew Barrow.
- d) Email dated April 7th, 2014 from Curtis Webb.
- e) Email dated April 7th, 2014 from Bette Donovan.

Council reviewed the letters and suggestions as presented and indicated that there would be a Special Meeting held in the future to review and discuss all the suggestions.

C08-CO

11.2 Report to Council dated April 10th, 2014 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Strategic Plan Summary 2011-2014.

Council requested that the Strategic Plan Review be a topic added to the upcoming Special Meeting held to discuss the projects proposed under the Community Well-Being Fund.

S08-DO

11.3 Letter dated April 7th, 2014 from the Wendy Gatrell, Executive Director of the Ear Falls Community Health Centre re: Request for a contribution to the Community Sponsored Contract.

Council concurred that the proposal would be reviewed during the Budget process.

C.O.

11.4 Report to Council dated April 11th, 2014 from Public Service & Operations Supervisor Perry Dyck re: Recreation Centre Project.

Council reviewed the Report as presented. Council discussed the demolition of the Curling Rink, an expansion to the canteen, and renaming the facility. Council directed the Clerk Treasurer Administrator to move forward with Funding Application(s).

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Advised that he had received a request from the Mills Family to place a plaque at Dutchie's Landing in memory of Tyler Mills and as a reminder to the public to wear their lifejackets while boating. Requested that a motion be placed on an upcoming agenda to support this initiative and request authorization from the Ministry of Natural Resources for this purpose.

13 CLOSED MEETING

Councillor Desmarais left the Meeting at this point.

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 129

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Section 239 (2) (f) – Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose – Employment matter.

Carried.

Section 239 (2) (f) of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended.

- Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including

communications necessary for that purpose;

- Employment matter.

13.2 RESOLUTION NO. 130

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:54 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

14 CLOSED REPORT

Council reviewed the information as presented.

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 131

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:55 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk