

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #06
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
April 2nd, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kevin Kahoot called the Meeting to order at 7:04 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, and two (2) members of the public.

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

D02-NW

4.1 Whispering Pines Senior's Club – Ron Bergman

- Community Well-Being Reserve Fund
 - Access to the Fund for future projects, activities, programs, and services.

Mayor Kahoot welcomed Mr. Bergman to the Meeting.

Mr. Bergman thanked Council for permitting the public to have input into the use of the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund.

Mr. Bergman advised that the Whispering Pines Senior's Club is celebrating their 10 year Anniversary this year which is quite an accomplishment. The Whispering Pines Senior's Centre is a great place in the community for seniors to visit and socialize with others. The Centre is also used by other community groups for various events. The Centre is very important to the community as a whole.

The Whispering Pines Senior's Club would like to request that a portion of the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund be placed in a designated Reserve Fund for seniors' projects, programs or services for use in the future, as these needs are identified.

Currently, the Whispering Pines Senior's Club is working on quantifying the needs for building upgrades, through the collection of quotes for work. This work however, will likely be funded through sources such as the Provincial Government's Ontario Trillium Foundation's Community and Province Wide Grants or the Federal Government's New Horizon's for Seniors Program.

Mr. Bergman advised that the creation of a designated Reserve Fund for seniors' projects, programs or services would ensure that community seniors have access to funds when other funding sources are not available. The segregation of the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund into a Seniors' designated Reserve Fund would accomplish this need.

Council requested clarification on the types of projects that the Whispering Pines Senior's Club would be pursuing in the current year.

Mr. Bergman advised that the projects had not yet been finalized, but could include building and equipment upgrades such as new kitchen appliances, upgrades to the electrical system in the facility, roof maintenance, and a general update to the interior including new paint.

Council thanked Mr. Bergman for his presentation.

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, 8.7, and 8.8.

RESOLUTION NO. 099

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 March 19th, 2014 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 100

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

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 2nd, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees

5.2.1 January 20th, 2014 – Ear Falls Public Library Board Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 101

Moved by Fred Melanson. 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 2nd, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations

5.3.1 January 30th, 2014 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board of Management Minutes.

5.3.2 February 18th, 2014 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.3 February 18th, 2014 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

5.3.4 March 10th, 2014 – Municipality of Red Lake Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.5 March 10th, 2014 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 102

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 from other Agencies / Organizations numbered 5.3.1 to 5.3.5 at the April 2nd, 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 Monthly Report from Public Library Coordinator Becky Bergman re: January.

7.1.2 Monthly Report from Public Library Coordinator Becky Bergman re: February.

RESOLUTION NO. 103

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 Reports from Departments numbered 7.1.1 to 7.1.2 at the April 2nd, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

8.1 Correspondence

L11-PR

8.1.1 Letter dated February 28th, 2014 from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: the new Provincial Policy Statement, 2014 comes into effect on April 30th, 2014.

A16-NA

8.1.2 Email dated March 18th, 2014 from the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) re: Information on how the Ministry responds to flooding and how MNR staff may be involved in a community during flood season.

RESOLUTION NO. 104

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.1.1 and 8.1.2 at the April 2nd, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

M03-DO

- 8.2 Letter received March 14th, 2014 from the English River Miners Vice President Sean Nichols re: Request to waive the Rental Fee for the upstairs of the Recreation Centre for a Fundraiser and Volunteer Appreciation Night being held on Saturday, April 26th, 2014.

Clarification was requested regarding the donation of promotional items for this event.

RESOLUTION NO. 105

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls agrees to waive the Rental Fees for the upstairs of the Recreation Centre for a Fundraiser and Volunteer Appreciation Night being held on Saturday, April 26th, 2014.

Carried.

F01-RE

- 8.3 Remuneration and Expenses.

RESOLUTION NO. 106

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

WHEREAS Section 284 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, requires the Treasurer to provide Council with an itemized statement, on or before March 31st, on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year; and

WHEREAS the remuneration and expenses for the Kenora District Services Board Member were unavailable for review at the March 19th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby approves the Statement of Remuneration and Expenses paid to a Member of Council as a Kenora District Services Board Member (attached) for the period of January 1st, 2013 to December 31st, 2013.

Carried.

D.C./P.R.

- 8.4 Training / Travel Request from Day Care / Parent Resource Coordinator Marg Trippier re: Travel and attendance for Tammy Demore to the two day training workshop for Resource Teachers being held in Dryden on April 30th and May 1st, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 107

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Tammy Demore be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the two day training workshop for Resource Teachers being held in Dryden on April 30th and May 1st, 2014; and

FURTHER THAT travel, accommodation, and meal costs to the two day training workshop for Resource Teachers shall be borne by the Kenora District Services Board.

Carried.

*F11-SU

8.5 Submission of Summer Jobs Service Employer Applications through the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

RESOLUTION NO. 108

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Applications be made to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines for funding under the 2014 Summer Jobs Service Program for summer student positions.

Carried.

M02-PR

8.6 Letter dated March 20th, 2014 from the Canadian Cancer Society re: Request to declare April as Daffodil Month in Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 109

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Ear Falls proclaims April 2014 as “Daffodil Month” in the Township of Ear Falls.

Carried.

E03-RE

8.7 Letter dated March 26th, 2014 from Ontario Clean Water Agency re: 2013 Performance Report for the Ear Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Clarification was requested regarding sludge hauling.

RESOLUTION NO. 110

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby received and reviewed the following Report from Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA):

- 2013 Performance Report for the Ear Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Carried.

L06-IN

- 8.8 Renewal of Insurance with Frank Cowan Company / Gillons' Insurance Brokers.

Clarification was requested on the renewal process.

RESOLUTION NO. 111

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Township of Ear Falls' 2014 Insurance Renewal from Frank Cowan Company / Gillons' Insurance Brokers be approved at the Annual Premium of \$61,982.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried.

L04-ST

- 8.9 Report to Council dated March 17th, 2014 from Public Service & Operations Supervisor Perry Dyck re: Streetlight Maintenance.

RESOLUTION NO. 112

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Clerk Treasurer Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute the renewal of the Streetlight Maintenance Agreement with Hydro One Networks Inc. for a period of two (2) years commencing April 18th, 2014 and expiring on April 17th, 2016.

Carried.

9 BY-LAWS

- 9.1 By-Law No. 1866-14, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

L14-ON

- 9.2 By-Law No. 1867-14, a By-Law to Amend the Contract for Water and Wastewater Treatment Facility Operation and Maintenance Services with the Ontario Clean Water Agency.

RESOLUTION NO. 113

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township

of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 1866-14 and 1867-14 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) Email dated March 17th, 2014 from Lisa Serino.

Council discussed the projects proposed and noted interest in discussing these projects further, particularly the development of the Municipal Government Building Property and associated trail links to the Waterfront Park.

- b) Email dated March 24th, 2014 from Donna, Glen, Michelle, Jaime and Korri Coulson

Council discussed the projects proposed and noted that there were a number of good ideas identified.

Council discussed the suggestions received to date and requested that the Township request that the Ear Falls Public School students be asked for their input. Council discussed maintaining a portion of the funds in a Recreation Reserve, and concerns about spending funds on services that are only available to the public via a membership.

Mayor Kahoot advised that he has approached a majority of the user groups in Ear Falls to make sure that they are aware of Council's request for input regarding use of the Fund and are aware of the Fund criteria. Some feedback has been received verbally but Council noted the importance for organizations to provide formal direction of their intention, to ensure that the consensus within each organization is achieved.

Council concurred that each request will be reviewed via a continuous intake process, but that all the requests would be included on an Agenda at a Special Meeting in the future.

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Councillor Rob Eady

- Museum
- The Museum Working Group is still working on the development and setup of the Museum.

Mayor Kevin Kahoot thanked Rob, Vic, Dutchie and all the volunteers at the Museum that have been working hard on this development.

12.2 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Mayor Vinet and Mayor Nuttal placed a bet about the outcome of the final Dryden Ice Dogs and English River Miners game. Mayor Nuttal lost the bet and therefore will be wearing an English River Miners Jersey at his next Council Meeting.

13 CLOSED MEETING

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 114

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Section 239 (2) (c) – A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local Board – Pt Loc Cl 12139 RP 23R-10536 Part 1 and Part 2.

Carried.

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

- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local Board;
 - Pt Loc Cl 12139 RP 23R-10536 Part 1 and Part 2.

13.2 RESOLUTION NO. 115

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:55 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

14 CLOSED REPORT

Council provided direction to the Clerk Treasurer Administrator regarding the disposition of Pt Loc Cl 12139 RP 23R-10536 Part 1 and Part 2.

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 116

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:56 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk