

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #06
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
April 20th, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon, Councillor Jim Desmarais, Councillor Rob Eady, Councillor Daniel Sutton, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, and five (5) members of the public.

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon declared an interest in Item No. 9.2 due to a family involvement.

4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A16-KE

4.1 Sean Monteith, Director of Education

- Plans for the Ear Falls Public School
- Long-term Planning Summary

The Ear Falls Public School was identified in the long-term capital plan for the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board (KPDSB) as a priority for a \$4.63 million capital renovation project. This was identified as the second priority project. The first priority is the complete rebuild of Valleyview Public School.

The current enrolment at the Ear Falls Public School (EFPS) is 125 full-time equivalent (FTE) however the school has a rated capacity for 200 FTE. The enrollment numbers are a key indicator in the prioritization of projects in the long-term capital plan. The EFPS has a renovation index that indicates it is a high priority for repair. While the facility remains structurally sound, there is some high priority maintenance work that is required in the foreseeable future. The school also needs some significant changes to the pedagogy that dictates a change to the structure of the facility would improve the learning environment. The open concept plan that was prevalent in the 1970s, when the school was constructed, is no longer deemed to be an ideal learning environment.

Mr. Monteith noted that the KPDSB requires provincial approval to complete any project over \$1 million, as they are considered to be major capital projects. The EFPS project meets this criterion and therefore requires provincial approval even though these funds

have already been secured by the KPDSB.

The EPFS project is tentatively slated for 2020 subject to enrollment numbers and a variety of other factors including the provincial government approval.

Council requested whether natural light will be increased in classroom areas during the renovation. Mr. Monteith advised that the use of natural light would be considered and incorporated during the design phase.

Council requested clarification on any plumbing upgrades. Mr. Monteith advised that the environmental characteristics including water, air quality, temperature, and the removal of older construction materials that may be concerning if disrupted, would all be addressed as part of the project.

Council requested clarification on the technological upgrades that would be incorporated with the school in particular, access to broadband. Mr. Monteith advised that the municipality likely is experiencing the same frustrations that the school is experiencing but the ministry work on this issue is ongoing.

Council requested clarification on the inclusion of cultural design elements. Mr. Monteith advised that the Board has the capacity to address programming aspects immediately; however the capital project will not likely have an obvious structural element.

M02-TR

4.2 David Hoey, Executive Director, Trout Forest Music Festival

- Camp site improvements at the Waterfront Park

David Hoey advised that he met with the Public Service & Operations Supervisor last week to discuss the proposed improvement. Specifically he would like to modify an area of the Waterfront Park on the north side of the Waterfront Park Road in order to add drainage methods and add fill material to improve dry camping area to the site. It is not likely that there would be grass there this year given the short timeline.

The Trout Forest Music Festival (TFMF) Board is seeking permission to complete this work.

Council asked if the TFMF Board would be interested in paying the Township to complete the work. Mr. Hoey advised that the TFMF Board is focused on using volunteers as they do not have funds to pay for this work. They would be seeking free fill material from others for the completion of this work.

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. 8.4, 8.8, and 8.9.

RESOLUTION NO. 096

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 6th, 2016 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 097

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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 20th, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 March 7th, 2016 – Public Library Board Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 098

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 20th, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

- 5.3.1 February 18th, 2016 – Kenora District Services Board Meeting Minutes.
- 5.3.2 February 23rd, 2016 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board of Management Minutes.
- 5.3.3 February 19th, 2016 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting Minutes.
- 5.3.4 April 12th, 2016 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #5 Agenda.
- 5.3.5 December 7th & 8th, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Special Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.6 December 14th, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.
- 5.3.7 December 14th, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.
- 5.3.8 December 21st, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.9 December 21st, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.10 January 11th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.
- 5.3.11 January 11th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.
- 5.3.12 January 18th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.13 January 18th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.14 February 8th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.
- 5.3.15 February 16th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.16 February 16th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

- 5.3.17 March 2nd, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Special Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.18 March 12th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Special Meeting of Council Minutes.
- 5.3.19 March 14th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.
- 5.3.20 March 14th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 099

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 5.3.20 at the April 20th, 2016 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 – March.

RESOLUTION NO. 100

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Reports from Departments numbered 7.1.1 at the April 20th, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

8.1 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated April 13th, 2016).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated April 13th, 2016) in accordance with By-Law No. 1635-11.

8.2 Correspondence.

M06-ON

8.2.1 Email dated April 4th, 2016 from Ontario News re: Ontario to Introduce Ranked Ballot Option to Municipal Elections.

A16-DO

8.2.2 Letter dated March 29th, 2016 from Domtar Inc. re: Invitation to submit comments to the EBR regarding an Ontario Cap and Trade Policy – Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions.

C09-GE

8.2.3 Letter dated April 6th, 2016 from the Honourable Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation re: Thank you for Council's Resolution of Support on Intercity Bus Transportation in Northern Ontario.

M02-ON

8.2.4 Backgrounder dated April 14th, 2016 re: 2016 June Callwood Award Recipients.

RESOLUTION NO. 101

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.2.1 to 8.2.4 at the April 20th, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

T.P.

8.3 Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario MFIPPA – Learning the Ropes Workshop and Zone 9 Spring Meeting and Conference being held in Thunder Bay Letter from April 25th to 27th, 2016 at the Victoria Inn.

RESOLUTION NO. 102

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) MFIPPA – Learning the Ropes Workshop and Zone 9 Spring Meeting and Conference being held in Thunder Bay Letter from April 25th to 27th, 2016 at the Victoria Inn:

- Kimberly Ballance
- Paulette Covell

Carried.

T.P.

- 8.4 Kenora District Mutual Aid Association Meeting held in Kenora on April 16th, 2016.

Council expressed dissatisfaction with approving travel after an event has occurred.

RESOLUTION NO. 103

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT Fire Chief Darryl Desjardins be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Kenora District Mutual Aid Association Meeting held in Kenora on April 16th, 2016.

Carried.

M02-PR

- 8.5 Letter dated March, 2016 from the Honourable Mario Sergio, Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs re: Request to proclaim June, 2016 as Seniors Month.

RESOLUTION NO. 104

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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, 2016 Seniors' Month in the Township of Ear Falls and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried.

E03-WA

- 8.6 Letter dated March 24th, 2016 from Ontario Clean Water Agency re: 2015 Annual Record of Water Taking Submission Confirmation.

RESOLUTION NO. 105

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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):

- 2015 Annual Record of Water Taking Submission Confirmation

Carried.

E03-RE

- 8.7 Letter dated March 17th, 2016 from Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) re: 2015 Schedule 22 Annual Summary Report for the Ear Falls Drinking-Water System.

RESOLUTION NO. 106

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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):

- 2015 Schedule 22 Annual Summary Report for the Ear Falls Drinking-Water System

Carried.

E03-RE

- 8.8 Letter dated March 29th, 2016 from Ontario Clean Water Agency re: 2015 Performance Report for the Ear Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Clarification was requested on information on energy trends at the Waste Water Treatment Plant since the completion of the energy retrofit.

RESOLUTION NO. 107

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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):

- 2015 Performance Report for the Ear Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Carried.

*F11-ON

- 8.9 Submission of an application to the Ontario FireSmart Communities Transfer Payment Program implemented by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Council reviewed the in-kind contribution identified in the application.

RESOLUTION NO. 108

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Clerk Treasurer Administrator be hereby authorized and directed to submit an Application to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry under the Ontario FireSmart Communities Transfer Payment Program re: the FireSmart Community Grant.

Carried.

D.C./B.S.

- 8.10 Travel and Attendance to the Supervisor's Meeting being held in Dryden on May 11th, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 109

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Marg Trippier, Day Care / Best Start Coordinator be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Supervisor's Meeting being held in Dryden on May 11th, 2016.

Carried.

C09-GE

- 8.11 Letter dated April 7th, 2016 from Laurie Scott, MPP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock re: Request for a Resolution of Support for Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act*, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 110

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as modern day slavery; and

WHEREAS traffickers recruit, transport, harbour and control the girl next door for sexual exploitation or forced labour; and

WHEREAS it is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims – 90 percent of which are Canadian-born and predominantly female, averaging the age of 14; and

WHEREAS Ontario is a major hub of human trafficking in Canada, and victims are lured, manipulated and coerced, often over the internet from every part of Ontario; and

WHEREAS human trafficking is in our neighbourhoods and our communities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act*, 2016 and support MPP Laurie Scott's motion for a multi-jurisdictional and coordinated task force of law enforcement agencies, Crown prosecutors, judges, victims' services and frontline agencies.

Carried.

F10-FI

8.12 2015 Draft Financial Statements for the Township of Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 111

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the draft Financial Statements of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls be received and accepted.

Carried.

H11-FI

8.13 Letter dated April 4th, 2016 from Doug Woolsey re: Resignation from his position of firefighter for the Ear Falls Fire Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 112

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the resignation of Doug Woolsey from the position of Volunteer Firefighter for the Ear Falls Fire Department be accepted with regrets effective April 4th, 2016.

Carried.

A.P.

8.14 Travel and attendance to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) Training Session being held in Dryden on

Wednesday, May 18th, 2016 at the Dryden Fire Service Hall #1 from
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 113

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) Training Session being held in Dryden on Wednesday, May 18th, 2016 at the Dryden Fire Service Hall #1 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.:

- Kimberly Ballance
- Paulette Covell
- Geri Seguin

Carried.

A07-EQ

8.15 Purchase of an Ice Plant Brine Chiller for the Ear Falls Recreation Centre.

RESOLUTION NO. 114

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the purchase of a Brine Chiller from Cimco Refrigeration / Division of Toromont Industries at a cost of \$57,976.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried.

M03-DO

8.16 Letter dated April 13th, 2016 from Darryl Desjardins, Fire Chief re: Request to have Waste Disposal Site Tipping Fees waived on Saturday, May 7th, 2016 for the disposal of brush, leaves, or clean wood to help promote the FireSmart Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 115

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls agrees to waive the Waste Disposal Site Tipping Fees for residents of Ear Falls to dispose of brush, leaves, or clean wood on Saturday, May 7th, 2016 to help promote the FireSmart Program; and

FURTHER THAT Council agrees to waive the Waste Disposal Site Tipping Fees for residents of Ear Falls to dispose of brush, leaves, or clean wood on the first Saturday of May for the term of present

Council to help promote the FireSmart Program

Carried.

L06-IN

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

RESOLUTION NO. 116

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Township of Ear Falls' 2016 Insurance Renewal from Frank Cowan Company Limited / Gillons' Insurance Brokers Ltd. be approved at the Annual Premium of \$63,065 plus applicable taxes.

Carried.

9 BY-LAWS

Item No. 9.2 was pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon left the Meeting at this point.

Councillor Daniel Sutton assumed the role of Chair.

L04-UN

9.2 By-Law No. 2007-16, a By-Law to Authorize to Enter into a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement with Unifor and its Local 324-4.

RESOLUTION NO. 117

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 2007-16 as passed.

Carried.

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon returned to the Meeting at this point.

9.1 By-Law No. 2006-16, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

L04-UN

9.2 By-Law No. 2007-16, a By-Law to Authorize to Enter into a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement with Unifor and its Local 324-4.

Otherwise dealt with.

RESOLUTION NO. 118

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 2006-16 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None.

11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

None.

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Councillor Rob Eady

- Ear Falls and District Museum
 - Advised that to date there have been 44 people who have come to see the Museum during “April is Museum Month”. People seem to enjoy the interactive displays.

13 CLOSED MEETING

N/A

14 CLOSED REPORT

N/A

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 119

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:43 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk