

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #06
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
April 4th, 2018 @ 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 Daniel Sutton,
and Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

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. 7.1.2 and 7.7.

RESOLUTION NO. 082

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby adopts the Items in Sections 5 – 7 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 21st, 2018 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 083

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls accepts the Minutes of the previous Meetings of Council numbered 5.1.1 at the April 4th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 February 28th, 2018 – Ear Falls Health & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 084

Moved by Jim Desmarais. 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 4th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 February 13th, 2018 – Ear Falls Public Library Board Meeting Minutes.

5.3.2 January 19th, 2018 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

5.3.3 February 28th, 2018 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

5.3.4 January 25th, 2018 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 085

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

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 5.3.4 at the April 4th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

7.1 Correspondence.

D05-TI

7.1.1 Letter dated March 23rd, 2018 from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re: Trout Lake Forest 2009-2019 Forest Management Plan Minor Amendment Review.

M02-ON

7.1.2 Letter dated March 2018 from the Minister of Seniors Affairs re: Invitation to submit a nomination for the 2018 Senior of the Year Award.

Council proposed that a nomination be submitted by Council for this Award.

L04-CH

7.1.3 Email from the Ministry of Education re: Update on the transformation to the Child Care system that will support more Ontario families and provide children with healthy learning environments.

RESOLUTION NO. 086

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 7.1.1 to 7.1.3 at the April 4th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

7.2 Reports from Departments.

7.2.1 Workshop Report from Charlene Henrie re: Roots of Empathy Mid-Year Training held on March 5th, 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 087

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Report from Departments numbered 7.2.1 at the April 4th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

H11-PU

- 7.3 Email dated March 21st, 2018 from John Lashmore re: Resignation from his Public Service & Operations I position.

RESOLUTION NO. 088

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the resignation of John Lashmore from his position as Public Service & Operations I for the Township of Ear Falls, be accepted with regrets, effective March 29th, 2018.

Carried.

H11-FI

- 7.4 Letter dated February 27th, 2018 from Todd Anthony re: Resignation from his Volunteer Firefighter position from the Ear Falls Fire Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 089

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the resignation of Todd Anthony from his position as Volunteer Firefighter for the Ear Falls Fire Department, be accepted with regrets, effective February 27th, 2018.

Carried.

T.P.

- 7.5 Travel and attendance to the Northern Housing Summit being held in Sioux Lookout from June 26th – 28th, 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 090

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Northern Housing Summit being held in Sioux Lookout from June 26th – 28th, 2018:

- Mayor Kevin Kahoot
- Councillor Daniel Sutton

Carried.

*L06-IN

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

RESOLUTION NO. 091

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Township of Ear Falls' 2018 Insurance Renewal from Frank Cowan Company Limited / Gillons' Insurance Brokers Ltd. be approved at the Annual Premium of \$74,684 plus applicable taxes.

Carried.

*F11-NO

7.7 Submission of an Application to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation Strategic Economic Infrastructure Program re: Waterfront Park Dock.

Council requested clarification on the permitting required for this.

RESOLUTION NO. 092

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Clerk Treasurer Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to submit the attached Application under the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation's Strategic Economic Infrastructure Program.

Carried.

8 BY-LAWS

Clarification was requested on Item Nos. 8.3 and 8.5. Council requested that Item No. 8.5 be pulled from the Consent Motion and deferred to a Special Meeting.

8.1 By-Law No. 2145-18, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

F22-TA

8.2 By-Law No. 2146-18, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement Pursuant to Section 378 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as Amended.

F00-TA

8.3 By-Law No. 2147-18, a By-Law to Establish Tax Ratios for Prescribed Property Classes for the Year 2018.

Clarification was requested on the Industrial Ratio and Tax Rate.

F00-TA

8.4 By-Law No. 2148-18, a By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of Municipal

Sums Required During the Year and to Strike the Rates of Taxation for the Year 2018.

F22-TA

8.5 By-Law No. 2149-18, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement Pursuant to Section 378 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended.

Clarification was requested on the number of Agreements issued to this property owner. Council requested that this item be deferred and brought back to a Special Meeting.

P.F.

8.6 By-Law No. 2150-18, a By-Law to Enter into an Employment Agreement with Jeffrey Russell for the Position of Manager of Public Service & Operations.

RESOLUTION NO. 093

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2145-18, 2146-18, 2147-18, 2148-18, and 2150-18 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

9.1 Responses received regarding the Waste Disposal Site – Application for Amendment to Environmental Compliance Approval.

- a) Wabauskang First Nation, Ryan Haines, Wabauskang Resource Office Manager
- b) District of Kenora Unincorporated Areas Ratepayers Association (DoKURA), Mark Sobchuk, Lac Seul Area Representative.
- c) The Municipality of Red Lake, Mark Vermette, CAO.

Council directed the Clerk Treasurer Administrator to submit the Townships Environmental Compliance Approval Amendment application to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change with a letter identifying the desire of the municipality to hold off with the formal submission until comments have been received from Wabauskang First Nation in May 2018.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.1 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- WinterFest 2018
 - This event was very well-attended and may be something that we can build on in the future. Really appreciate everyone that helped out and volunteered their time and energy. The curling, horse rides, pie-baking, chili contest, and fireworks were great and the Legion's East Coast Pub and the Canteen were well utilized.
- NOMA Meeting – April 3rd - 4th, 2018
 - Large discussion on the changes occurring with the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) annual Conferences. It appears that Ministers will be attending ROMA in the future and it is recommended Council should attend that Conference in the new year. The OGRA Conference is being directed towards municipal staff rather than Council Members.

11 CLOSED MEETING

N/A

12 CLOSED REPORT

N/A

13 ADJOURNMENT

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 094

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:35 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk