

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS**

**MINUTES** of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #20  
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers  
December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 @ 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 Tracey Simon, Councillor Daniel Sutton, Deputy Clerk Darlene Stone, and one (1) member of the public.

**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.)

Clarification was requested on Item No. 8.1.2.

RESOLUTION NO. 329

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

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 November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.1.2 November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.1.3 November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 330

Moved by Rob Eady. 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 to 5.1.3 at the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Joint Occupational Health & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 331

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

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 December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.2 October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.3 November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

5.3.4 November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Municipality of Red Lake Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 332

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 5.3.4 at the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 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 Becky Bergman, Public Library Coordinator - October.

7.1.2 Workshop Report from Marg Trippier, Day Care / Best Start Coordinator re: Autism Spectrum Disorder.

RESOLUTION NO. 333

Moved by Daniel Sutton. 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 December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

## **8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS**

8.1 Correspondence

C00-OF

8.1.1 Letter dated November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Notification of the approval of the new Official Plan for the Township of Ear Falls.

S08-NO

8.1.2 Letter dated November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Northwestern Health Unit re: 2015 Surplus – Municipal Levy Funds.

Clarification was requested regarding the utilization of the surplus funds. Council recommended placing the funds into a reserve fund to be used to leverage additional funding in line with making improvements to the community.

S08-NO

8.1.3 Letter dated November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Northwestern Health Unit re: Update on the first Health Unit “Talk Public Health: Online Discussion Panel”.

C11-MP

8.1.4 Letter dated October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from Ernie Hardeman, MPP, Oxford re: Provision of a copy of the Hansard of Local Government Week statement in the Ontario Legislature.

C09-GE

8.1.5 Letter dated November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Chairperson of the Hydro One Not For Sale Campaign re: Thank you for the Resolution of Council opposing the sale of Hydro One.

C12-BO

8.1.6 Letter dated November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Economic Developers Council of Ontario re: Letter of introduction and information regarding a membership to their organization.

F11-CO

8.1.7 Letter dated November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Ministry of Finance re: Release of the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) program allocations for 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 334

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.1.1 to 8.1.7 at the December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C12-BO

8.2 Resolution from Becky Bergman, Public Library Coordinator re: Amendment to the Subscription and Membership List for 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 335

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS the Ear Falls Public Library Board has recommended adding The Northern Sun News subscription to the 2016 Subscription and Membership List;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Subscriptions and Memberships Listing for 2016 be amended by adding the following:

<u>Public Library</u>	<u>Amount</u>
The Northern Sun News	\$ 41.50

Carried.

C12-BO

- 8.3 Email received November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from the Municipality of Red Lake re: Appointment of Councillor Jack Goodwillie as the Red Lake / Ear Falls Representative on the District of Kenora Home for the Aged Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 336

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls hereby approves and accepts the Municipality of Red Lake's appointment of Councillor Jack Goodwillie as the Ear Falls / Red Lake Representative on the District of Kenora Home for the Aged Board.

Carried.

D02-NW

- 8.4 Community Well-Being Reserve Fund – Project Approval List.
- a) Letter dated November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 from J. Loman, Chair of the Whispering Pines Seniors' Club.

RESOLUTION NO. 337

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Rob Eady.

WHEREAS Council deems that the project identified on the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund – Project Approval Listing, dated December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015, complies with the Reserve Fund Criteria;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the project, in accordance with the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund – Project Approval Listing, dated December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015, as attached.

Carried.

**9 BY-LAWS**

- 9.1 By-Law No. 1981-15, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

F.C.

- 9.2 By-Law No. 1982-15, a By-Law to Amend the By-Law to Regulate the Township of Ear Falls Fire Department.

D.C.

9.3 By-Law No. 1983-15, a By-Law to Appoint a Deputy Mayor.

A09-WA

9.4 By-Law No. 1984-15, a By-Law to Amend the Waste Disposal Site Agreement Policy for the Township of Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 338

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 1981-15, 1982-15, 1983-15, and 1984-15 as passed.

Carried.

## **PART II – OTHER ITEMS**

### **10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

None.

### **11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION**

11.1 Report dated November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 from Public Service & Operations Supervisor Perry Dyck re: Waste Disposal Site.

Council discussed the possibility to applying to become a “Collector” under the Ontario Tire Stewardship program. Council recommended that inquiries be made to ensure no other business in the community is already operating as a Collector for tires prior to submitting an application.

11.2 Authorization to submit a letter to Bob Nault, MP Kenora identifying the Township of Ear Falls proposed Project List.

Council discussed the Project List to be submitted to Bob Nault, MP Kenora and would like the following items included in addition to the ones listed on the draft letter:

- Fitness projects for the Recreation Centre
- In the Waste Disposal Site Enhancement Project section, identify that we currently don't have a Recycling Program
- Helipad
- Cottage Lot Development
- Waterfront Development (potentially combine this with the Heritage Trail Project)

RESOLUTION NO. 339

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be authorized and directed to submit a letter to Bob Nault, MP Kenora identifying the Township of Ear Falls proposed Project List.

Carried.

## 12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

### 12.1 Councillor Jim Desmarais

- Trout River Bridge work is finished for this year with the final work being completed in the Spring of 2016. The highway construction near Perrault Falls will also be completed at that time.

### 12.2 Councillor Rob Eady

- Chukuni Communities Development Corporation
  - The “Marketing Redefined: Relationship Marketing for Small Business” Meeting that was held on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Ear Falls was well attended.
  - The “Santa’s Helper Market – Home Based Business Trade Show” that was held on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Ear Falls was also well attended.
- Museum Working Group Meeting was held on November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - Plan on holding a Museum Week in April with three (3) interactive displays (i.e. kitchen, tools, sewing)
  - Invite the students from the public school to visit the Museum.
  - Discussed refinishing the NASA Rocket.

### 12.3 Councillor Daniel Sutton

- Kenora District Services Board
  - Reviewed the Draft Budget and advised that there will be a possible 3.8% increase (\$4,400) for Ear Falls.
  - Mayor Kahoot requested that Councillor Sutton request to add an item to the Kenora District Services Board’s next Agenda regarding the Sunset Leisure Place be reestablished back as a Seniors Housing facility.

### 12.5 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Attended the Red Lake Senior’s Christmas Dinner on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and had a very nice time.
- Advised that he will be volunteering once a month to assist with cooking breakfast at the Whispering Pines Seniors’ Club
- Met with Bob Nault, MP Kenora who is excited to be working with Ear Falls and other small communities in Northwestern Ontario.

**13 CLOSED MEETING**

N/A

**14 CLOSED REPORT**

N/A

**15 ADJOURNMENT**

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 340

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

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

Carried.

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Mayor

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Clerk