

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #01
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
January 17th, 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 Vic Robinson, 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.)

RESOLUTION NO. 002

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 December 18th, 2017 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 003

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 January 17th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

None.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 November 14th, 2017 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board of Management Minutes.

5.3.2 October 12th, 2017 – Kenora District Services Board Regular Meeting Minutes.

5.3.3 November 9th, 2017 – Kenora District Services Board Regular Meeting Minutes.

5.3.4 December 12th, 2017 – Ear Falls Public Library Board Special Meeting Minutes.

5.3.5 December 12th, 2017 – Ear Falls Public Library Board Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 004

Moved by Daniel Sutton. 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 5.3.5 at the January 17th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

7.1 Correspondence.

L11-CO

7.1.1 Letter dated December 15th, 2017 from the Honourable Tracy Charles and the Honourable Bill Mauro re: Update on Bill 59, Putting Consumers First Act (Consumer Protection Statute Law Amendment), 2017.

C11-MP

7.1.2 Letter dated December 11th, 2017 from Ernie Hardeman, MPP re: Outline of policies in reference to the Ontario PC Platform called the People's Guarantee.

L11-CA

7.1.3 Letter received January 3rd, 2018 from the Honourable Charles Sousa re: Preparation for federal legalization of cannabis.

RESOLUTION NO. 005

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 January 17th, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

7.2 Financial Operations Statements – year to date (dated January 10th, 2018).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statements – year to date (dated January 10th, 2018) in accordance with By-Law No. 1635-11.

T.C.

7.3 Report to Council dated January 11th, 2017 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Registration of Properties for Tax Arrears.

RESOLUTION NO. 006

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls directs Clerk Treasurer Administrator, Kimberly Ballance, to register the following properties for arrears of taxes:

Roll Number	Account Number
6042-000-001-06700-0000	#927
6042-000-001-07100-0000	#969
6042-000-001-08700-0000	#1123
6042-000-001-09300-0000	#1222
6042-000-001-11800-0000	#1454

6042-000-001-13500-0000	#1628
6042-000-001-17122-0000	#2113
6042-000-001-17590-0000	#3533
6042-000-001-17604-0000	#3723
6042-000-001-17605-0000	#3749
6042-000-001-17610-0000	#3848
6042-000-001-17622-0000	#11073
6042-000-001-26400-0000	#4680
6042-000-001-27900-0000	#4838
6042-000-001-30300-0000	#5076
6042-000-001-40400-0000	#8690
6042-000-002-08140-0000	#6959
6042-000-002-08146-0000	#7014
6042-000-002-08162-0000	#7163
6042-000-002-08168-0000	#7238
6042-000-002-13900-0000	#8244

; and

FURTHER THAT the fee for this service be borne by the property owner.

Carried.

M01-NO

7.4 Closure of Municipal Office for Christmas Holidays – 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 007

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls approves the closure of the Municipal Office from December 24th, 2018 – January 1st, 2019 and that the staff will return to work on January 2nd, 2019.

Carried.

*F11-SU

7.5 Submit an application to Canada Summer Jobs for funding to hire summer students.

RESOLUTION NO. 008

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS Canada Summer Jobs is a Government of Canada initiative that provides funding for not-for-profit organizations, public sector employers and small businesses with fifty (50) or fewer full-time employees to create summer jobs for students between the ages of fifteen (15) and thirty (30);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk Treasurer Administrator be authorized and directed to submit an Application to the Canada Summer Jobs for 2018 for the following positions:

- Parks Maintenance Attendant (3)
- Golf Course Maintenance Attendant (2)
- Municipal Office / Fire Department Assistant (1)
- EarlyON Programming Assistant (1)

Carried.

*H04-HE

- 7.6 2018 16th Annual Employee Health & Safety Workshop being held May 7th, 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 009

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls approves the closure of all Municipal Departments on May 7th, 2017 for the purpose of education and training for all Municipal employees at the 2018 Annual Employee Health & Safety Workshop.

Carried.

M01-NO

- 7.7 Cancellation of the May 2nd, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 010

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS the 2018 Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) Conference and Annual General Meeting are being held from May 2nd – 4th, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Regular Meeting of Council be hereby cancelled:

- Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018

Carried.

T.C.

- 7.8 The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's response to an Application made under Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the 2017 Tax Year.

RESOLUTION NO. 011

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls has no objection to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Response to the Application made under Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the 2017 Tax Year regarding the property identified as:

ROLL NUMBER	CURRENT PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT	REVISED PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT
6042-000-002-08174-0000	\$51,000 IT	\$50,712 E

Carried.

H11-FI

7.9 Firefighter Application for the Ear Falls Fire Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 012

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the following individual, as recommended by Fire Chief Darryl Desjardins, be approved as a Volunteer Firefighter subject to the submission of an acceptable medical recommendation and Vulnerable Sector Check:

- Colin Ross-Giesbrecht

Carried.

D02-NW

7.10 Community Well-Being Reserve Fund – Project Approval List.

a) Request from the Museum Working Group.

RESOLUTION NO. 013

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

WHEREAS Council deems that the project identified on the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund – Project Approval Listing, dated January 12th, 2018, 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 January 12th, 2018, as attached.

Carried.

A.P.

- 7.11 Travel and attendance from February 4th – 6th, 2018 to Fort Gary Fire Trucks in Winnipeg to investigate the specifications required for a pumper/tanker truck for the Township of Ear Falls Fire Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 014

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the following are hereby authorized travel and attendance from February 4th – 6th, 2018 to Fort Gary Fire Trucks in Winnipeg to investigate the specifications required for a pumper/tanker truck for the Township of Ear Falls:

- Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance
- Fire Chief Darryl Desjardins

and;

FURTHER THAT the cost for travel shall be borne by Fort Gary Fire Trucks.

Carried.

H11-CU

- 7.12 Resignation of Janie Alfred from her position as Part-Time Custodian for the Township of Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 015

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the resignation of Janie Alfred from her position as Part-Time Custodian for the Township of Ear Falls, be accepted with regrets, effective January 13th, 2018.

Carried.

8 BY-LAWS

Council requested clarification on Item No. 8.4.

- 8.1 By-Law No. 2124-18, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

F04-BA

- 8.2 By-Law No. 2125-18, a By-Law to Authorize the Borrowing of \$750,000.00 Pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 407(1)*, as Amended.

F00-TA / T.C.

- 8.3 By-Law No. 2126-18, a By-Law to Provide an Interim Tax Levy and

for Monthly Interest for Non-Payment by the Due Date.

*L04-US

- 8.4 By-Law No. 2127-18, a By-Law Authorize the Execution of an Agreement with USTI Canada, Inc. (Canada) for Financial Software Upgrade and Maintenance Services.

Clarification was requested on the licencing required.

RESOLUTION NO. 016

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2124-18, 2125-18, 2126-18, and 2127-18 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

A04-KE

- 9.1 Kenora District Municipal Association Annual General Meeting Draft Resolutions – 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 017

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the attached Resolutions be forwarded to the 2018 Kenora District Municipal Association (KDMA) Annual General Meeting for consideration.

Carried.

*H11-PU

- 9.2 Report to Council dated January 9th, 2018 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Lead Hand – PS&O 1 – Position Development.

RESOLUTION NO. 018

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls accepts the Report to Council dated January 9th, 2018 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Lead Hand – PS&O 1 – Position Development.

Carried.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.1 Councillor Daniel Sutton

- Expressed concerns with internet service in the region and the upgrades that were implemented over the past year. The contract released requested that contractors implement a 5 MB/s but most people in the region already had that. Requested that we get a copy of the Tender from Chukuni Communities Development Corporation.
- Kenora District Municipal Association – Ear Falls, February 1st – 3rd, 2018
 - The opening event will be held on Thursday evening; Speakers all day on Friday, dinner and entertainment on Friday evening at the Legion; Panel discussion on Saturday.

10.2 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Spoke at the Rainy River District Municipal League Meeting over the weekend about the Kenora District Municipal Association, changes happening in the region including the new electoral district and regional transportation needs. Also spoke a little bit about the Township's Parks and Playgrounds Plan and other projects that are happening within the region.

11 CLOSED MEETING

11.1 RESOLUTION NO. 019

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Section 239 (2) (b) and (d) – Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees; and Labour relations or employee negotiations – Manager of Public Service & Operations.

Carried.

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

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees; and Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- Manager of Public Service & Operations.

11.2 RESOLUTION NO. 020

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:45 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

12 CLOSED REPORT

Council reviewed information related to the Manager of Public Service & Operations position.

13 ADJOURNMENT

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 021

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:46 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk