

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #03
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
February 20th, 2013 @ 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 Rob Eady, Councillor Vic Robinson, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, and Nuclear Waste Community Committee Chair Gerald Kleist

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

D02-NU

4.1 Gerald Kleist

- Report to Council on Nuclear Waste Community Committee activities

The Committee has been busy recruiting new members for the Committee, and has recommended to Council the addition of two new members.

The Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) has initiated another round of “Learn More” sessions throughout the province, and the Committee has selected seven (7) out of eight (8) people who will be attending from Ear Falls. A final position is still available, and the Committee has continued to extend this as an option for Councillor Melanson, but he has indicated that he is unable to participate at this time.

The Committee has been developing new placemats and newsletters with a theme on the transportation issues associated with the project and these documents are in the process of being printed. They will be distributed once they are received. A sample newsletter was provided to Council.

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission will be holding an Open House and making a presentation in Ear Falls on April 16th, 2013. They will be making all of their own arrangements including advertising for this event.

The NWMO will also be holding an Open House or some kind of

event in the early summer. Plans for this event are just in the discussion phase.

The NWMO will be presenting the Preliminary Community Profile to the Committee on March 11th, 2013. This is a required part of Step 3, Phase 1 of the Site Selection Process.

Mr. Kleist asked if Council had any questions for him about the Committee's activities.

Council requested clarification on the amount and type of public feedback that the Committee has been receiving, as Council indicated that they haven't been receiving many comments or inquiries lately. Mr. Kleist advised that the Committee has not received very many questions or much feedback lately. But he indicated that the minimal feedback that has been received has been relatively open-minded about the process that is being undertaken.

Council and Mr. Kleist discussed the lines of communication between Council and the Committee and agreed that the new process is working well.

Council requested information regarding any contact that the Committee has had with Nuclear Waste Watch or Northwatch, as they have been in contact with the Mayor directly. Mayor Kahoot advised that their organization was welcome to contact the Township or the Committee to raise any concerns that they may have about the topic or the process.

Council thanked Mr. Kleist for coming to the Meeting and indicated that the presentation was very helpful.

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 Nos. 8.2.1 and 8.10.

RESOLUTION NO. 046

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 February 6th, 2013 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 047

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 February 20th, 2013 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees

5.2.1 January 14th, 2013 – Nuclear Waste Community Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 048

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 of Committees numbered 5.2.1 at the February 20th, 2013 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations

5.3.1 February 12th, 2013 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #3 Agenda.

5.3.2 December 20th, 2012 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board of Management Minutes.

5.3.3 January 8th, 2013 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #2 Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 049

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 5.3.3 at the February 20th, 2013 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

C.O.

7.1 Reports from Departments

None.

8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

8.1 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated February 14th, 2013).

Council reviewed the Financial Operation Statement – year to date (dated February 14th, 2013) in accordance with By-Law 1635-11.

8.2 Correspondence

A16-KE

8.2.1 Letter dated January 23rd, 2013 from the Kenora District Services Board re: Request for the Township to be a Municipal Sponsor for the Kenora District Services Board to participate in the Local Authority Services Ltd. (LAS) Electricity Procurement Program.

Council agreed that participation in the LAS Electricity Procurement Program would be beneficial for the Kenora District Services Board. Councillor Robinson indicated that three other communities in the district have offered to be the municipal sponsor.

S08-NO

8.2.2 Letter dated January 3rd, 2013 from the Northwestern Health Unit re: Resolution endorsing the Report of the Chief Medical Officer of Health: Oral Health – More Than Just Cavities.

A01-MU

8.2.3 Letter dated January 2013 from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario re: Update on Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario (MEPCO) and the 2011 MEPCO

Annual Report.

*F26-FI

8.2.4 Report dated February 7th, 2013 from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: the Financial Indicator Review based on the 2011 Financial Information Return.

A16-UN

8.2.5 Letter dated February 1st, 2013 from Union Gas re: Update on the *Winter Warmth* program that offers emergency relief to low-income families having difficulties paying their natural gas bills.

D05-MI

8.2.6 Letter dated February 13th, 2013 from the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines re: Notification of Exploration Permit Application #PR-13-10079 for the Griffith Project, Bruce Lake Area, Red Lake District.

D05-MI

8.2.7 Letter dated February 14th, 2013 from the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines re: Notification of Exploration Permit Application #PR-13-10078 for the Griffith Project, Bruce Lake Area, Red Lake District.

A01-NO

8.2.8 Memorandum dated February 13th, 2013 from the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association re: Second call for nominations for Offices of President and Executive Vice-President.

F11-MIII

8.2.9 Letter dated February 6th, 2013 from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs re: Notification that the Township is not eligible to move forward to the Application phase of the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII) Capital Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 050

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 documents numbered 8.2.1 to 8.2.9 at the February 20th, 2013 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

T.C.

8.3 Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Response to Application made under Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the 2012 Tax Year.

RESOLUTION NO. 051

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 2012 Tax Year regarding the property identified as:

ROLL NUMBER	CURRENT PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT	REVISED PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT
6042-000-001-29400-0000	\$57,000 RT	\$57,000 E

Carried.

T.C.

- 8.4 Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Response to Application made under Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the 2013 Tax Year.

RESOLUTION NO. 052

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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 2013 Tax Year regarding the property identified as:

ROLL NUMBER	CURRENT PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT	REVISED PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT
6042-000-001-29400-0000	\$66,000 E	\$64,070 E

Carried.

M03-DO

- 8.5 Letter dated February 2nd, 2013 from the New Starts Women's Shelter re: Request for donation in support of the International Women's Day Luncheon being held on Thursday, March 7th, 2013 at Whispering Pines Seniors Centre from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 053

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Ear Falls authorizes a donation of the following in support of the International Women's Day Luncheon being held on Thursday, March 7th, 2013 at

Whispering Pines Seniors Centre from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.:

- One (1) Cooler Lunch Bag
- One (1) Mug
- One (1) Sleeve of Golf Balls

Carried.

R03-EX

8.6 Documents received February 11th, 2013 from Bruce McCallum re: Two (2) articles titled “The Many Machines of Hughie McCallum” and “Chukuni Lumber Co. Timeline”.

RESOLUTION NO. 054

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Ear Falls endorses the incorporation of the articles “The Many Machines of Hughie McCallum” and “Chukuni Lumber Co. Timeline” created by Bruce McCallum into the Ear Falls & District Museum exhibits; and

FURTHER THAT a thank you card be sent to Bruce McCallum for his donation of the above noted documents.

Carried.

C09-GE

8.7 Media Release dated February 13th, 2013 from the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association re: Request for public support to the EBR Posting #011-7696 to ensure forestry jobs.

RESOLUTION NO. 055

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

WHEREAS Ontario is a world leader in sustainable forest management and less than ½ of 1% of Ontario’s forests are harvested each year and by law plans to renew the forest must be in place prior to harvest and that planned renewal must occur; and

WHEREAS wood is renewable, reusable and recyclable; and

WHEREAS there is a need to provide certainty to a valuable renewable resource that employs over 200,000 hard working Ontarians in over 260 communities; and

WHEREAS Ontario’s forest sector already provides for the needs of species at risk through the Crown Forest Sustainability Act (CFSA) and that the forest sector is required to continuously update their management practices to be consistent with provincial recovery strategies developed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Ear Falls supports the EBR posting #011-7696 for the following reasons:

1. To date, the ESA has resulted in unnecessary costs and the unnecessary loss of economic development. Government policy should be based on sustainable development and consider the socio-economic impact on hardworking families and the communities they call home.
2. It acknowledges that there are challenges / issues with the implementation of the ESA that need to be addressed and that a five-year transition measure will provide the necessary time to improve the ESA's implementation.
3. Ontario's sustainable forest sector is a vital part of Ontario's green economy. In addition, Ontario's renewable forest sector already provides for the protection of species at risk and their habitat – a fact that the Ministry of Natural Resources has already recognized.

; and

FURTHER THAT the Mayor be authorized and directed to submit comments to the EBR on behalf of the Township of Ear Falls, as per the attached letter.

Carried.

C12-BO

8.8 Appointments to local Boards and Committees.

RESOLUTION NO. 056

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Boards and Committees Appointments for the Township of Ear Falls be approved as per the attached; and

FURTHER THAT the Appointments be for the term of this present Council.

Carried.

D02-NU

8.9 Report to Council dated February 12th, 2013 from Nuclear Waste Administrative Assistant Michelle Briska re: Request for travel and attendance to the "Learn More" Event being held in Darlington hosted by the Nuclear Waste Management Organization.

RESOLUTION NO. 057

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the “Learn More” Event being held in Darlington hosted by the Nuclear Waste Management Organization:

- Gladys Lupien
- Cassandra Coulson
- Michelle Briska

Carried.

F00-SC

8.10 Recommendation to Council dated February 13th, 2013 from David Hoey, Recreation / Community Program Coordinator re: Additions to the Schedule of Fees.

Council discussed this proposal briefly regarding the change to the rules that would permit camp owners and employees to utilize the pass.

RESOLUTION NO. 058

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the following addition to Schedule “R-01” – Page 6 – Golf Course Fee Schedule of the Schedule of Fees:

- 50 Game Pass (9 Holes) – \$787.00 + HST
- Unlimited Game Pass (9 Holes) – \$1,200.00 + HST

These passes have no age restrictions (Youth ages 6 – 10 / Youth ages 11 – 18 / Adult ages 19 – 59 / Senior ages 60+) and are available to any Camp in the area (Including Camps outside the Municipality)

Carried.

M03-DO

8.11 Email dated February 14th, 2013 from Brian Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality of Red Lake re: Request for financial support for Bill Greenway, Economic Development Officer to attend a meeting with Ontario Power Authority and the Independent Electricity System Operators of Ontario.

RESOLUTION NO. 059

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Ear Falls approved Resolution No. 402-12, dated December 17th, 2012, supporting the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association in their petition for

increased regional decision-making on issues currently under Provincial jurisdiction including energy; and

WHEREAS Council passed Resolution No. 404-12, dated December 17th, 2012, in support of Northwestern Ontario's involvement in long term energy planning to support Economic Development initiatives, such as Northern Iron Corporation's project;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Ear Falls authorizes a donation of \$400.00 to assist in travel costs for Bill Greenway, Economic Development Officer for the Municipality of Red Lake and member of the Energy Task Force to attend a meeting with Ontario Power Authority and the Independent Electricity System Operators of Ontario.

Carried.

9 BY-LAWS

9.1 By-Law No. 1778-13, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

*L04-MI

9.2 By-Law No. 1779-13, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Ontario Network Data Sharing Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as Represented by the Minister of Natural Resources.

RESOLUTION NO. 060

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 1778-13 and 1779-13 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None.

11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

A01-NO

11.1 Email dated February 5th, 2013 from the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) re: NOMA's Government of Ontario's Report Card listing the progression of issues of various Ministries.

Mayor Kahoot provided an overview of NOMA's document, and

advised that there has been debate over the scoring of the issues. These issues will be reviewed with the Province at the upcoming ROMA / OGRA Combined Conference. This method of tracking will be used on a going forward basis by NOMA.

A01-FE

- 11.2 Program being offered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) re: Community partnership workshops that bring First Nations and municipalities together.

Council discussed Erin Strachan's (FCM's Coordinator - First Nation / Municipal CIPP National Programs) presentation on this topic at the Kenora District Municipal Association's Annual General Meeting. Council indicated an interest in attaining more information on the program.

*R05-GO

- 11.3 Report to Council dated February 12th, 2013 from Recreation / Community Program Coordinator David Hoey re: Letter received from Amy Rolfe regarding the Ear Falls Minor Hockey Association.

RESOLUTION NO. 061

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

WHEREAS Council of the Township of Ear Falls deems it to be in the best interest of the community to provide support to the Ear Falls and District Minor Hockey Association in order to facilitate the provision of Minor Hockey in Ear Falls; and

WHEREAS the Township of Ear Falls has previously provided dedicated change room and storage space to the Ear Falls and District Minor Hockey Association and does not intend to change this practice for the term of Council; and

WHEREAS the Ear Falls and District Minor Hockey Association is required to hold four (4) meetings per year and has requested that the fees for these meetings be waived;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to waive the rental fees for the Ear Falls and District Minor Hockey Association for:

- The meeting held on February 10th, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Centre;
- Four (4) meetings per year for 2013 (additional to the meeting noted above); and
- One 8-hour training clinic ("Speak Out, Trainer and Coaching Clinic)

; and

FURTHER THAT all events will be scheduled with the Recreation / Community Program Coordinator in accordance with the current practices of the Township of Ear Falls.

Carried.

R03-CO

11.4 Museum Working Group

Council discussed the February 25th, 2013 meeting. Councillor Eady advised that he would be attending the meeting. Council discussed the \$3,000/year request requested by Jan (Dutchie) Loman and will consider during the budget review process.

E06-LO

11.5 Email dated February 11th, 2013 from the Ministry of Consumer Services re: Letter and consultation paper relating to the Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act, 2001 (formerly Bill 8 – Ontario One Call to Dig Act, 2011).

RESOLUTION NO. 062

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

WHEREAS the Ministry of Consumer Services has requested input on the Consultation Paper titled “Proposals for the Implementation of the Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act, 2012” dated February 7th, 2013; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Consumer Services has partnered with Ontario One Call (ON1Call) to provide a single point of contact for all underground utility locate requests in Ontario; and

WHEREAS municipalities are required to be members of ON1Call;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk Treasurer Administrator is authorized and hereby directed to submit comments on the Consultation Paper titled “Proposals for the Implementation of the Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act, 2012” dated February 7th, 2013, as attached.

Carried.

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Councillor Vic Robinson

- Kenora District Services Board (KDSB)
 - After KDSB sent the invoice to hospitals for non-emergency transfers, the NWLHIN sent a response letter to the KDSB. The North West Local Health Integration Network’s (NWLHIN) letter advised that the invoices that KDSB sent are

of no consequence and will not be paid by the hospitals due to the legislated requirements under the Ambulance Act for the KDSB to provide this service without charge. The NWLHIN provides 50% of the funding for land ambulance services, which, according to them, includes non-emergency transfers. This will be discussed at the KDSB meeting on February 21st, 2013.

13 CLOSED MEETING

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 063

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Section 239 (2) (c) – A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality of local Board – Plan 23R-10536, Part 1.
- Section 239 (2) (b) – Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees – Succession Plan.

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;
- Plan 23R-10536, Part 1

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

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees;
- Succession Plan

13.2 RESOLUTION NO. 064

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 8:41 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

14 CLOSED REPORT

Council provided direction to the Clerk Treasurer Administrator regarding the disposition of Plan 23R-10536, Part 1

Council provided direction to the Clerk Treasurer Administrator regarding the development of the Township of Ear Falls' Succession Plan.

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 065

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 8:42 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk