

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

**MINUTES** of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #17  
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers  
November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 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, and Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance.

## **3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

Mayor Kahoot declared an interest in Item No. 8.5 due to a business involvement.

## **4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

None.

Mayor Kahoot thanked Council for all their hard work and support throughout the term.

## **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.)

Mayor Kahoot left the Meeting at this point.

D.C. / T.C.

8.5 2014 Uncollectables and Write-Offs.

RESOLUTION NO. 280

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT \$9,867.79 be written off in 2014 as per Schedule “A”; and

FURTHER THAT \$37,303.95 be set up as Allowance for Uncollectables in 2014 as per Schedule “B”.

Carried.

Mayor Kahoot returned to the Meeting at this point.

RESOLUTION NO. 281

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby adopts the Items in Sections 5 – 8.4 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 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 282

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

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 November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Ear Falls Public Library Board Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 283

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board  
Regular Board Meeting #10 Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 284

Moved by Vic Robinson. 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 at the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 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 – October.

7.1.2 Workshop Report from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Forum North Conference held in Thunder Bay on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

7.1.3 Workshop Report from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Amethyst Sector Fall Meeting held in Thunder Bay on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 285

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 7.1.3 at the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

## **8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS**

8.1 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014) in accordance with By-Law 1635-11.

8.2 Correspondence:

D02-NW

8.2.1 Letter dated November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Ear Falls Public Library re: Thank you letter for the donation through the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund for the purchase of seven (7) computers and software.

D02-NW

8.2.2 Card received November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Community Health Centre Inc. re: Thank you for the funds provided.

T06-HI

8.2.3 Letter dated October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Honourable Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation re: Thank you for the letter submitted to the Minister about winter maintenance on Highway 105.

D02-NW

8.2.4 Card received October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Ear Falls Public School Staff and students re: Thank you for the donations through the Community Well-Being Reserve Fund for the Breakfast Program, Graduation, and the Grade 7 / 8 Class Trip.

F11-ON

8.2.5 Letter dated November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs re: Notification that the Expression of Interest submitted for the Water Treatment Plant Low-Lift Pumping Station, has been selected to move forward to the application phase.

L11-SM

8.2.6 Email dated November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from Ontario News, Office of the Premier re: News Release – “Smoking to be Prohibited on Patios, Sport Fields and Playgrounds”.

A01-NO

8.2.7 Letter dated November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 from David Canfield, President of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) re: Advising that NOMA will be seeking intervenor status in the National Energy Board’s process for the TransCanada Pipelines Energy East Project and provision of the presentation given to the Ontario Energy Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 286

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.2.1 to 8.2.7 at the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

D.C. / A.P.

- 8.3 Letter dated November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Red Lake Seniors' Christmas Dinner Committee re: Invitation to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior's Christmas Dinner to be held on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Red Lake Royal Canadian Legion at 6:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 287

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the following Member of Council be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Red Lake Seniors' Christmas Dinner Committee re: Invitation to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior's Christmas Dinner to be held on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Red Lake Royal Canadian Legion at 6:00 p.m.:

- Jim Desmarais

Carried.

T.C.

- 8.4 Request for Reconsideration – Minutes of Settlement for the 2014 Tax Year.

RESOLUTION NO. 288

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls has no objection to the Request for Reconsideration – Minutes of Settlement for the 2014 Tax Year regarding the property identified as:

ROLL NUMBER	CURRENT PHASE-IN ASSESSMENT	REVISED PHASE-IN ASSESSMENT
6042-000-001-17610-0000	\$408,000 CT	\$308,000 CT

Carried.

D.C. / T.C.

- 8.5 2014 Uncollectables and Write-Offs.

Otherwise dealt with.

## 9 BY-LAWS

- 9.1 By-Law No. 1908-14, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 289

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 1908-14 as passed.

Carried.

**PART II – OTHER ITEMS**

**10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

None.

**11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION**

D.C.

11.1 Establishing 2014 Reserves.

RESOLUTION NO. 290

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

Whereas Revenues for 2014 were greater than anticipated and Expenses in some areas were less than anticipated;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Reserves be established for 2014:

Contingencies Reserve	\$ 14,122.91
Soccer Program Reserve	\$ 500.00
Minor Baseball Program Reserve	\$ 1,000.00
Eagle Days Program Reserve	\$ 1,000.00
ATV / Snowmobile Derby Program Reserve	\$ 1,000.00
Water / Sewer Connection / Roadways Fee Reserve	\$ 15,414.00
Equipment Reserve	\$ 75,300.00
Water / Wastewater Reserve	\$ 8,000.00
Cemetery Reserve	\$ 6,400.00
Waste Disposal Site Reserve	\$ 14,656.00
Total Reserves	<u>\$137,392.91</u>

Carried.

**12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

12.1 Councillor Vic Robinson

- The last Kenora District Services Board Meeting of the term will be held Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**13 CLOSED MEETING**

N/A

**14 CLOSED REPORT**

N/A

**15 ADJOURNMENT**

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 291

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:12 p.m.

Carried.

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Mayor

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Clerk