

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #17
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
November 2nd, 2016 @ 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 Tracey Simon, Councillor Daniel Sutton, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, and two (2) members 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.)

RESOLUTION NO. 275

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 October 19th, 2016 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 276

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

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 November 2nd, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 September 28th, 2016 – Ear Falls Health & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 277

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

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 2nd, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 June 22nd, 2016 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

5.3.2 September 13th, 2016 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #8 Minutes.

5.3.3 September 8th, 2016 – Kenora District Services Board Regular Meeting Minutes.

5.3.4 September 19th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.5 September 19th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.6 October 11th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Open Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

5.3.7 October 11th, 2016 – Municipality of Red Lake Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

5.3.8 September 30th, 2016 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 278

Moved by Tracey Simon. 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 5.3.8 at the November 2nd, 2016 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 Correspondence.

A16-UN

8.1.1 Email dated October 20th, 2016 from Union Gas Limited re: Notice of Application to change its 2017 Rates effective January 1st, 2017.

A04-MU

8.1.2 Letter dated October 17th, 2016 from the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines re: Thank you for the delegation at the 2016 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference in Windsor.

RESOLUTION NO. 279

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.1.1 to 8.1.2 at the November 2nd, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

T.P.

- 8.2 Travel and attendance to the 2017 Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) Conference being held in Toronto from February 26th – March 1st, 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 280

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the 2017 Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) Conference being held in Toronto from February 26th – March 1st, 2017:

- Kevin Kahoot
- Daniel Sutton

Carried.

D.C.

- 8.3 Unexpended Funding to be transferred to a Reserve / Reserve Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 281

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS funding agencies may advance funds for future expenditures to the Township of Ear Falls; and

WHEREAS the Township of Ear Falls is unable to expend these funds by year end of the current year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls approve the transferring of the unexpended funding into a Reserve / Reserve Fund for the current year.

Carried.

D.C.

- 8.4 Expenditures for 2016 in excess of the 2016 Budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 282

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

WHEREAS expenditures for purchases in 2016 may have exceeded the 2016 approved Budget; and

WHEREAS the excess of expenditure must be authorized by Council as to where the source of revenue is to be recorded;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Reserve / Reserve Funds be the source of revenue for the remainder of the excess expenditure.

Carried.

9 BY-LAWS

Clarification was requested on Item No. 9.3.

9.1 By-Law No. 2039-16, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

*F11-ON

9.2 By-Law No. 2040-16, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as Represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

*L04-NO

9.3 By-Law No. 2041-16, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Services Agreement with Northern Waterworks Inc. for Water and Wastewater Treatment Facility Operation and Maintenance Services.

Clarification was requested regarding Insurance provided within the Agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 283

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2039-16, 2040-16, and 2041-16 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None.

11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

L11-PR / P14-DO

11.1 Animal Control By-Law Enforcement Plan.

Council discussed the Animal Control By-Law No. 1121-04 and the potential to update the set fines in the Schedule.

Council discussed the potential of utilizing an existing employee as a

pound keeper and the use of the local kennel for the provision of pound services. Council concurred that the By-Law set fines should be reviewed first and that a Human Resources Committee Meeting be held to discuss the use of an existing employee as a pound keeper and bring back a recommendation to Council on the matter.

A.P.

11.2 Travel and attendance to the Public Open House for the Multimodal Transportation Strategy being held in Kenora on November 9th, 2016 at the Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre.

RESOLUTION NO. 284

Moved by Tracey Simon. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Public Open House for the Multimodal Transportation Strategy being held in Kenora on November 9th, 2016 at the Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre:

- Councillor Tracey Simon

Carried.

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Councillor Tracey Simon

- Chiefs and Mayors Gathering in Frenchman's Head on October 28th, 2016
 - Made tentative arrangements with Chief Clifford Bull to hold a joint Meeting with the Ear Falls and Lac Seul Councils.
 - Noted that a Friendship Accord was signed by the Municipality of Sioux Lookout, Lac Seul First Nation, Slate Falls First Nation and Cat Lake First Nation. This Accord took a lot of time and effort to achieve and is a great example of regional community cooperation.
 - Northern Distribution Centre project is a key project under development which will hopefully bring additional economic development opportunities to the remote communities in the far north as well as providing an important service for food and emergency supply distribution.
 - A presentation was provided on the Truth and Reconciliation Committee in Sioux Lookout. It was quite informative.
 - A very good opportunity for the Chiefs and Mayors in the region to network.
- Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board Meeting
 - 2016-17 Human Resources Plan was adopted to address staffing requirements.
- Ear Falls Public Library Board Meeting

- The Public Library Board’s Human Resources Committee will be meeting to discuss bringing a recommendation forward to the Public Library Board at their November 14th Meeting.

12.2 Councillor Jim Desmarais

- Winter highway work has been initiated.

13 CLOSED MEETING

N/A

14 CLOSED REPORT

N/A

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 285

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:30 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk