

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #15
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
October 15th, 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 Rob Eady, Councillor Fred Melanson, Councillor Vic Robinson, 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.)

Clarification was requested on Item No. 8.2.1.

RESOLUTION NO. 255

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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 1st, 2014 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.1.2 October 8th, 2014 – Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 256

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 Meetings of Council numbered 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 at the October 15th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees

5.2.1 August 27th, 2014 – Ear Falls Health & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes.

5.2.2 September 11th, 2014 – Ear Falls Public Library Board Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 257

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Minutes of Committees numbered 5.2.1 and 5.2.2 at the October 15th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations

None.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

C.O.

7.1 Reports from Departments.

7.1.1 Monthly Report from Day Care / Parent Resource Coordinator Marg Trippier – September.

7.1.2 Monthly Report from Public Library Coordinator Becky Bergman – September.

RESOLUTION NO. 258

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Reports from Departments numbered 7.1.1 and 7.1.2 at the October 15th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

8.1 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated October 9th, 2014).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated October 9th, 2014) in accordance with By-Law No. 1635-11.

8.2 Correspondence

A16-UN

8.2.1 Email dated October 1st, 2014 from Union Gas Limited re: Notice of application to raise natural gas rates effective January 1st, 2015.

Clarification was requested on the Township's practice for budgeting for utility increases.

A16-ON

8.2.2 Letter dated September 29th, 2014 from the Ontario Provincial Police Municipal Policing Bureau re: 2015 Municipal Policing Billing Statement and summaries for the municipality.

RESOLUTION NO. 259

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Fred Melanson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 8.2.1 and 8.2.2 at the October 15th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

T.P.

8.3 Travel and attendance to the Joint Health and Safety Committee Certification Training Part II being held in Dryden on October 21st, and 22nd, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 260

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Joint Health & Safety Committee Certification Training Part II being held in Dryden on October 21st, and 22nd, 2014.

Carried.

F00-SC

8.4 Subscriptions and Memberships Renewals – 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 261

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Subscriptions and Memberships as per the attached be renewed for the year 2015.

Carried.

D.C.

8.5 Unexpended Funding to be transferred to a Reserve / Reserve Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 262

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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.

9 BY-LAWS

The Clerk Treasurer Administrator advised that Item No. 9.3 has been removed from the Consent Motion.

9.1 By-Law No. 1905-14, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

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9.2 By-Law No. 1906-14, a By-Law to Amend the Schedule of Fees.

*L07-LE

9.3 By-Law No. 1907-14, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Lease Agreement with W.L. Contracting.

RESOLUTION NO. 263

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 1905-14 and 1906-14 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

M04-MU / R06-EN

10.1 Report to Council dated October 10th, 2014 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Paulette Covell re: Recreation Centre Revenue / Expense Analysis.

Council discussed the Report and the availability of information to the public as well as the impact of renovations in 2013 and 2014 on utility costs.

11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

F11-RU

11.1 Business Retention + Expansion Project – 2013 received from Chukuni Communities Development Corporation.

Council determined that they did not have any additional questions to add to the survey.

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Councillor Vic Robinson

- Kenora District Services Board (KDSB)
 - Henry Wall has been hired as the new CAO for the KDSB and will be starting November 10th, 2014.

12.2 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Thanked Council Members for the work that was undertaken over the past four years.

12.3 Councillor Rob Eady

- Museum
 - Moved some items into the Museum for some winter projects, including the wheels from the cart and a canoe. He also found a few artifacts in his trapping cabin for the Hydro display.

12.4 Councillor Fred Melanson

- Stated that it was nice serving on Council with everyone. It was an eye-opening experience.

13 CLOSED MEETING

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 264

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:19 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Section 239 (2) (c) – A Proposed or Pending Acquisition or Disposition of Land by the Municipality or Local Board – Plan M700 Lot 93.

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 M700 Lot 93

13.2 RESOLUTION NO. 265

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:23 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 M700, Lot 93.

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 266

Moved by Fred Melanson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:24 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk