

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #14
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
September 21st, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Tracey Simon, Councillor Jim Desmarais, Councillor Rob Eady, 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.)

Council requested clarification on Item No. 8.7.

RESOLUTION NO. 227

Moved by Daniel Sutton. 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 September 7th, 2016 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 228

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 September 21st, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 June 29th, 2016 – Joint Occupational Health & Safety
Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 229

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

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 September 21st, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 July 21st, 2016 – Kenora District Services Board Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 230

Moved by Daniel Sutton. 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 at the September 21st, 2016 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 Becky Bergman, Public Library Coordinator – June.

7.1.2 Monthly Report from Becky Bergman, Public Library Coordinator – July.

7.1.3 Monthly Report from Becky Bergman, Public Library Coordinator – August.

RESOLUTION NO. 231

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Report from Departments numbered 7.1.1 – 7.1.3 at the September 21st, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

8 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

8.1 Correspondence.

A04-ON

8.1.1 Letter dated August 3rd, 2016 from the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) re: Clarification on the Rural Ontario Municipal Association's (ROMA) decision to end the OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference partnership.

A04-MU

8.1.2 Letter dated August 19th, 2016 from the Honourable Kathryn McGarry, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry re: Township of Ear Falls Delegation at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference.

C11-MP

8.1.3 Letter dated September 1st, 2016 from the Honourable Glenn Thibeault, Minister of Energy re: Amendments to the Energy Consumer Protection Act to protect electricity consumers from door-to-door energy contract sales.

M06-ON

8.1.4 News Release dated September 12, 2016 from the Province of Ontario re: Throne Speech Announces Electricity Cost Relief, New Child Care Spaces.

F11-CA

8.1.5 News Release dated September 13, 2016 from the Government

of Canada re: Investment Supports Improvement of Ear Falls
Civic Centre.

M06-ON

8.1.6 News Release dated September 14, 2016 from the Province of
Ontario re: Canada and Ontario Reach Agreement Under the
New Clean Water and Wastewater Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 232

Moved by Rob Eady. 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 8.1.6
at the September 21st, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C09-GE

8.2 Email dated September 12, 2016 from Monique Tougas, Red Lake
Indian Friendship Centre re: Letter of Support for services provided in
Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 233

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be authorized and directed to submit a
Letter of Support to Monique Tougas, Red Lake Indian Friendship
Centre for services provided in Ear Falls.

Carried.

T.C.

8.3 Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Revised Response to
an Application made under Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001
for the 2015 Tax Year – 6042-000-001-37400-0000

RESOLUTION NO. 234

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

WHEREAS Resolution 017-16 identified a change in the Property
Class for the property identified by Roll Number 6042-000-001-
37400-0000 from Residential Taxable (RT) to Exempt (E); and

WHEREAS the property was vacant and required a reduction in the
assessment in addition to the change in Property Class;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the
Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls has no objection to the

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Revised Response to the Application made under Section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the 2015 Tax Year regarding the property identified as:

ROLL NUMBER	CURRENT PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT	REVISED PHASED-IN ASSESSMENT
6042-000-001-37400-0000	\$18,815 RT	\$2,080 E

Carried.

A.P.

8.4 Regional Museum Meeting being held in Dryden on Wednesday September 28th, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 235

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT Museum Working Group Members Joyce Appel and Kim Thain be authorized travel and attendance to the Regional Museum Meeting being held in Dryden, Ontario on September 28th, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Carried.

H11-LI

8.5 Letter dated September 12th, 2016 from Becky Bergman re: Retirement from her position as Library Coordinator.

RESOLUTION NO. 236

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Retirement of Becky Bergman, Library Coordinator for The Township of Ear Falls, be accepted with regrets, effective January 31st, 2017.

Carried.

H11-DA

8.6 Letter dated September 14th, 2016 from Kaetlin Ross re: Resignation from her position as Day Care/Best Start (Casual).

RESOLUTION NO. 237

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the resignation of Kaetlin Ross, Day Care / Best Start (Casual) for The Township of Ear Falls, be accepted with regrets, effective September 14th, 2016.

Carried.

A.P.

- 8.7 Report to Council dated September 15th, 2016 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Repair to 2005 450D IT Caterpillar Backhoe (E029).

Clarification was requested on the proposed purchase.

RESOLUTION NO. 238

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby authorizes the completion of the necessary repairs to the 2005 450D IT Caterpillar Backhoe in accordance with the Report to Council dated September 15th, 2016 re: Repair to 2005 450D IT Caterpillar Backhoe (E029).

Carried.

*F11-HE

- 8.8 Application to the Northwestern Health Unit for funding under the Healthy Kids Community Challenge in accordance with the theme “Water Does Wonders”.

RESOLUTION NO. 239

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Clerk Treasurer Administrator be hereby authorized and directed to submit an Application to the Northwestern Health Unit for funding under the Healthy Kids Community Challenge in accordance with the theme “Water Does Wonders”.

Carried.

BY-LAWS

Council requested clarification on Item No. 2031-16.

- 9.1 By-Law No. 2028-16, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

L07-LE

- 9.2 By-Law No. 2029-16, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Recreation Centre Canteen Lease Agreement with Mark Legros.

A09-AR

- 9.3 By-Law No. 2030-16, A By-Law to Amend the Arrears Collection Policy for the Township of Ear Falls.

*P00-FI

9.4 By-Law No. 2031-16, a By-Law to Regulate the Sale of Fireworks and the Setting Off of Fireworks in the Township of Ear Falls

RESOLUTION NO. 240

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2028-16, 2029-16, 2030-16 and 2031-16 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

10 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

R02-LI / L06-IN

10.1 Report to Council dated September 13th, 2016 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Ear Falls Public Library – Insurance.

RESOLUTION NO. 241

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Report to Council dated September 13th, 2016 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Ear Falls Public Library – Insurance at the September 21st, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

11 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

11.1 ServiceOntario

Council discussed the information presented to Councillor Simon following the delegation with the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference and some options for providing service on a reduced service level basis.

D02-NW

11.2 Whispering Pines Seniors Club Request for Community Well-Being Funding

Council directed the Clerk Treasurer Administrator to draft an

Agreement and bring forward a motion to fully fund the project as proposed. Council concurred that future projects from the organization will require a financial contribution from the Club.

12 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

12.1 Councillor Sutton

- Requested a letter to be sent from the Mayor to Timmy Shiels re: accomplishment as Muscular Dystrophy (MD) Ambassador.

12.2 Councillor Desmarais

- Requested a letter to be sent from the Mayor to Sergeant Ewald re: accomplishment completing the 2016 Can Am Police-Fires Games marathon.

12.3 Deputy Mayor Simon

- Recognized the Ear Falls Fire Department's effort to fundraise and support Timmy as the current MD Ambassador. The Fire Department is a great team and should be commended for this effort.
- Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board Meeting
 - Attended an orientation and training session for the Board.
- A KDMA Meeting with Bob Nault is forthcoming.

13 CLOSED MEETING

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 242

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:27 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. – 50 Balsam Avenue.
- Section 239 (2) (b) – Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local Board employees – Employment Matter.

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

- 50 Balsam Avenue

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.
- Employment Matter

13.2 RESOLUTION NO. 243

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:59 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

14 CLOSED REPORT

Council provided direction to the Clerk Treasurer Administrator regarding the sale of 50 Balsam Avenue.

Council provided direction to the Clerk Treasurer Administrator regarding an Employment Matter.

15 ADJOURNMENT

15.1 RESOLUTION NO. 244

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 8:00 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk