

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #17
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
October 18th, 2017 @ 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 Vic Robinson, Councillor Daniel Sutton, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, and three (3) members of the public.

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

R02-EA

- 4.1 Suzanne Chartier-White, Vice Chair, Ear Falls Public Library Board
- Update on Library Services

Ms. Chartier-White identified that she is currently the Acting Chair for the Library Board due to the recent resignations of some Board Members. The Ear Falls Public Library (EFPL) is continuing to provide a number of successful programs including the Walking Group, crafting and games for youth, Invigilation services for Contact North and other colleges that may require these services, and an Annual Reading Challenge. The EFPL has also initiated the annual Reading Buddy program, a Saturday Genealogy Group, a Community Bulletin Board, and is featuring book reviews by patrons on its Facebook page. The book reviews have been quite popular and appears to be really appreciated by library patrons.

The EFPL is preparing for a number of new events including a Youth Christmas Gift crafting session, and a Christmas amnesty week. The amnesty week will permit patrons with fines to have their fines removed in exchange for donations that will be given to the Christmas Cheer Board.

In the new year, the EFPL will continue to run popular programs but will also be participating in Family Safety Night for the first time and will be trying a new "Blind Date with a Book" event. The EFPL has also approached Copperfin Credit Union to provide a few presentations for different youth age groups on saving and spending.

The EFPL is working on three grants:

- ServiceOntario for Business Services Grant;
- Improving Digital Services Program; and
- Public Libraries Operating Grant

The Board and staff are doing the best they can to keep the Library relevant and utilized /in order to best serve the needs of the community.

Council thanked Ms. Chartier-White for her attendance and advised that members of the public have been providing a lot of positive feedback about the new structure of the operation.

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. 266

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby adopts the Items in Sections 5 –7 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 4th, 2017 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 267

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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 October 18th, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

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5.2 Minutes of Committees.

None.

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5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 July 25th, 2017 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board of Management Minutes.

5.3.2 September 12th, 2017 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #8 Minutes.

5.3.3 September 26th, 2017 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Special Board Meeting Minutes.

5.3.4 October 10th, 2017 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Board Meeting #9 Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 268

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

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 5.3.4 at the October 18th, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

7.1 Correspondence.

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7.1.1 Letter dated September 26th, 2017 from the Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board re: Request for Ear Falls representation for the position of Director on the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 269

Moved by Vic Robinson. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the document numbered 7.1.1 at the October 18th, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

7.2 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated October 14th,

2017).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated October 14th, 2017) in accordance with By-Law No. 1635-11.

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7.3 Appointment to the Boards and Committees for the Township of Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 270

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Vic Robinson.

RESOLVED THAT the Boards and Committees Appointment 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; and

FURTHER THAT travel and attendance to the Board / Committee Meetings be hereby authorized for the appointed representatives; and

FURTHER THAT Resolution No. 263-17, dated October 4th, 2017, is hereby repealed.

Carried.

T.C

7.4 Minutes of Settlement, 2017 Tax Year, Results of Request for Reconsideration, Property Assessment Notice.

RESOLUTION NO. 271

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls has no objection to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Minutes of Settlement for the 2017 Tax Year regarding the property identified as:

ROLL NUMBER	CURRENT PHASE-IN ASSESSMENT	REVISED PHASE-IN ASSESSMENT
6042-000-001-02100-0000	\$238,500 RT	\$228,000 RT

Carried.

M01-NO

7.5 Special Meeting to be held Wednesday, November 1st, 2017 in the Municipal Council Chambers located at 2 Willow Crescent at 6:30 p.m. to review an Official Plan Amendment Application and a Zoning

By-Law Amendment Application re: 20 Highway 804.

RESOLUTION NO. 272

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT a Special Meeting of Council be held Wednesday, November 1st, 2017 in the Municipal Council Chambers located at 2 Willow Crescent at 6:30 p.m. to review an Official Plan Amendment Application and a Zoning By-Law Amendment Application re: 20 Highway 804.

Carried.

8 BY-LAWS

8.1 By-Law No. 2110-17, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

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8.2 By-Law No. 2111-17, a By-Law to Amend the Schedule of Fees.

RESOLUTION NO. 273

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2110-17 and 2111-17 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

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9.1 Water / Sewer Rates Review.

Council discussed the revenue/expense review presented and discussed the proposed rates. A by-law will be brought forward to the next Meeting to strike the rates for 2018-2021.

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9.2 Submit a Written Submission re: District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB) Governance and Accountability Review.

RESOLUTION NO. 274

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance be hereby authorized to submit the written submission form regarding the consultation for Municipal representatives as part of the District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB) Governance and Accountability Review, in accordance with the attached.

Carried.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.1 Councillor Vic Robinson

- Pleased to see that the Bannatyne water line repair work has been completed.
- Raised concerns regarding the lack of use of Personal Protective Equipment at some Public Service & Operations worksites.
- Appreciate the report back from staff on the status of the Waterfront Lift Station.

10.2 Councillor Daniel Sutton

- Attended the District Social Services Administration Board consultation session with the Kenora District Services Board in Dryden.
- Is hopeful that the Township will have an update on Day Care Funding by the next Regular Meeting of Council.

10.3 Councillor Jim Desmarais

- Advised that he will be unable to attend the Ontario Good Roads Association Conference and that Councillor Robinson will be attending in his place.

10.4 Councillor Rob Eady

- The Museum will be open on Halloween to hand out candy from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Rob and Cheryl Eady have offered to volunteer for this event and requested assistance from staff with advertising.

10.5 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Will be meeting with a representative from the School Board on Friday to discuss the Ear Falls Public School renovations. They have requested input from the Township to participate in the process, however the extent of this is unknown at this time.

11 CLOSED MEETING

11.1 RESOLUTION NO. 275

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Section 239 (2) (d) – Labour relations or employee negotiations
– Employment Matter.

Carried.

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

- Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- Employment Matter.

11.2 RESOLUTION NO. 276

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:51 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

12 CLOSED REPORT

Council reviewed information about an Employment Matter.

13 ADJOURNMENT

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 277

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:51 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk