

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS**

**MINUTES** of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #15  
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers  
September 20<sup>th</sup>, 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, Deputy Clerk Darlene Stone, 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 commented on Item No. 7.4.

RESOLUTION NO. 242

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

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 September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 243

Moved by Daniel Sutton. 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 September 20<sup>th</sup>, 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 June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Regular Meeting of the Board of Management Minutes.

5.3.2 June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

5.3.3 June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.4 June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.5 June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

5.3.6 July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Open Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

5.3.7 July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

5.3.8 July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Open Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.9 July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

5.3.10 July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Municipality of Red Lake Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.3.11 September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – The Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Regular Meeting #8 Agenda.

5.3.12 July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Kenora District Services Board Regular Meeting Minutes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 244**

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 from other Agencies / Organizations numbered 5.3.1 to 5.3.12 at the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

**6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES**

None.

**7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS**

7.1 Correspondence.

S08-NO

7.1.1 Letter dated September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 from the Northwestern Health Unit re: Support for the proposed Bill 148: Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017.

A16-KE

7.1.2 Copy of letter to the Kenora District Services Board dated August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 from the Ministry of Community and Social Services re: Thank you for meeting at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference.

L14-ON

7.1.3 Letter dated September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from Ontario Clean Water Agency re: Response to Energy Efficiency Projects letter.

A16-CH

7.1.4 Letter received September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from Highway 105 Tourism and Marketing Board re: Invitation to participate in a marketing partnership.

**RESOLUTION NO. 245**

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 documents numbered 7.1.1 to 7.1.4

at the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

- 7.2 Financial Operations Statement – year to date (dated September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017).

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

A.P.

- 7.3 Travel and attendance to the OMERS Workshop being held in Dryden on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 246

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the OMERS Workshop being held in Dryden on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017:

- Paulette Covell
- Shannon Jeffries

Carried.

C12-BO

- 7.4 Copies of letters submitted by Tracey Simon dated September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 re: Resignation from the following Boards:

- Ear Falls Public Library Board
- Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board.

With the vacancy on the Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board, Mayor Kahoot inquired if any other member of Council would be interested in sitting on the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 247

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS two (2) letters of resignation have been received from Tracey Simon regarding the Ear Falls Public Library Board and the Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Boards and Committees Appointments for the Township of Ear Falls be approved as per the attached; and

FURTHER THAT Resolution No. 171-17, dated June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017, is hereby repealed.

Carried.

T01-LE / A.P.

7.5 Change Order Request No. 1 received from RealTerm Energy Corp. re: the LED Streetlight Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 248

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

WHEREAS RealTerm Energy Corp. has issued a Change Order Request No. 01 for the Ear Falls LED Streetlight Project for three additional fixtures required to complete the installation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls approves the RealTerm Energy Corp. Change Order Request No. 01 for the Ear Falls LED Streetlight Project as attached; and

FURTHER THAT this shall be funded by Gas Tax (RL60-6000-9733).

Carried.

T01-LE / A.P.

7.6 Quotes re: the design, supply, and installation of seven (7) new Cree LED streetlights.

RESOLUTION NO. 249

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Ear Falls deems it to be in the best interest of the community to extend the municipal streetlight grid on Walnut Street, Chestnut Street and John Street to alleviate dark areas within the urban boundary (LED Streetlight Project – Phase 2); and

WHEREAS the municipality is in the midst of completing the LED Streetlight Project – Phase 1 and it is cost efficient and effective to continue the project with the existing contractors;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the completion of the LED Streetlight Project – Phase 2 at a cost of \$16,080 plus HST; and

FURTHER THAT Council approves the completion of the work utilizing RealTerm Energy and Ken Anderson Electric Inc.; and

FURTHER THAT this project shall be funded by Gas Tax (RL60-6000-9733).

Carried.

## **8 BY-LAWS**

8.1 By-Law No. 2105-17, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

A09-PE

8.2 By-Law No. 2106-17, a By-Law to Amend the Petty Cash Policy for the Township of Ear Falls.

R03-RO

8.3 By-Law No. 2107-17, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an External Loan Agreement with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) for the Inert Nike Cajun Sounding Rocket.

RESOLUTION NO. 250

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Daniel Sutton.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2105-17, 2106-17, and 2107-17 as passed.

Carried.

## **PART II – OTHER ITEMS**

### **9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION**

9.1 Travel and attendance to the Rural Ontario Municipal Association Conference being held in Toronto from January 21<sup>st</sup>, to 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 251

Moved by Daniel Sutton. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the following be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the Rural Ontario Municipal Association Conference being held in Toronto from January 21<sup>st</sup>, to 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018:

- Kevin Kahoot
- Jim Desmarais
- Alternate Vic Robinson

Carried.

### **10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

10.1 Councillor Daniel Sutton

- Kenora District Services Board Meeting
  - No new information was provided regarding Day Cares.
- Fireman's Ball
  - Made presentations on behalf of Council to Jason Colvin for:
    - Ten (10) Year Pin
    - Firefighter of the Year Award

10.2 Councillor Jim Desmarais

- Suggests that Council continue to stay vigilant regarding the proposed amendments to the Endangered Species Act.
  - Provided a copy of "City abolishes ad hoc cottage lot committee" regarding Elliot Lake which he found to have a lot of good information on issues that need to be considered with regard to Cottage Lot Development.
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- Mayor Kahoot commented that other issues to stay focused on are the Water Low Lift Pumping Station project and the bussing / Transportation Strategy. It was noted that other agencies and organizations are also involved in lobbying efforts regarding the Endangered Species Act amendments and the Transportation Strategy.

10.3 Councillor Rob Eady

- Advised that Ear Falls will be hosting the Sunset Country Museum Network Fall Meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

10.4 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Special Meeting with Wabauskang First Nation
  - Met with Chief Martine Petiquan and Jo-anne Petiquan.
  - Discussed economic development, schools, bussing, recycling, and recreation.
  - Chief Petiquan to contact the Mayor regarding a possible Memorandum of Understanding between the Township and Wabauskang First Nation.
- Met with Gilles Plante, new manager of EACOM – Ear Falls Sawmill, and his wife Nancy.
  - He is interested in the Sawmill contributing more to the community. They have already been in contact with the Ear Falls Public School.
  - The Sawmill is planning on starting a Recreation Committee for its employees to assist the community in various sporting events.
  - They are interested in erecting a "Welcome to Ear Falls" sign with EACOM – Ear Falls Sawmill displayed across the bottom.
  - Discussed use of the Ear Falls Waste Disposal Site. A meeting will be arranged to discuss this issue further.

- Spoke with Sean Monteith regarding the \$4.5 million facelift for the Ear Falls Public School.
  - Construction will begin around September 2018 and will take approximately one year to complete.
  - There may be an opportunity for local contractors to assist with various parts of the construction.
- Councillor Sutton commented that a Memorandum of Understanding with Wabauskang First Nation may be very helpful with the Cottage Lot Development Project.

10.5 Councillor Rob Eady

- Energy Efficiency Projects at the Treatment Plants.
  - Meeting with Ontario Clean Water Agency on September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Treatment Plants to inspect the new upgrades. A follow-up meeting will be held September 29<sup>th</sup> to discuss the inspections.
  - Having to update the Certificate of Approval required new equipment at a cost of approximately \$50,000.
- Councillor Desmarais thanked Gerald Kleist, who was in the audience, for his representation on the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board and for the forthcoming upgrade to the Ear Falls Public School.

**11 CLOSED MEETING**

N/A

**12 CLOSED REPORT**

N/A

**13 ADJOURNMENT**

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 252

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:22 p.m.

Carried.

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Mayor

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Clerk