

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

**MINUTES** of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #08  
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers  
May 3<sup>rd</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 Tracey Simon, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, and one (1) member 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. 7.1.3.

RESOLUTION NO. 114

Moved by Tracey Simon. 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 April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 115

Moved by Rob Eady. 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 May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

None.

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5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Keewatin-Patricia District School Board  
Special Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 116

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 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations numbered 5.3.1 at the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

## **6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES**

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6.1 Request for Quote – Wastewater Treatment Plant Roof Replacement – Ear Falls, ON.

RESOLUTION NO. 117

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the Public Service & Operations Supervisor, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls accepts the Quote submitted by Eric Ellis for the Request for Quote – Wastewater Treatment Plant Roof Replacement at a cost of \$26,300.00 plus applicable taxes as per the attached quote.

Carried.

## 7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

### 7.1 Correspondence.

D05-TI

7.1.1 Letter dated April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from the Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry re: Whiskey Jack 2017-2018 Annual Work Schedule.

S02-KE

7.1.2 Letter dated April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from the District of Kenora Home for the Aged re: Copy of a letter sent from Community Health Ontario to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care regarding the implementation of the five Rural Health Hubs pilot sites.

V00-OL

7.1.3 Letter dated April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from the Clerk-Treasurer of the Township of Plummer Additional re: Notification of the successful bid for the Ice Resurfacer Tender submission.

Council requested clarification on the delivery date and training for employees. Council discussed the requirement to dump in the exterior environment, including procedures for care and maintenance.

C11-MP

7.1.4 Email dated April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 from the Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Ministry of Infrastructure re: Launch of the Natural Gas Grant Program which will assist in expanding natural gas access to more communities in Ontario.

A04-ON

7.1.5 Letter dated April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from the Honourable Kathryn McGarry, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re: Thank you for meeting at the 2017 Ontario Good Roads Association Conference.

F11-ON

7.1.6 Letter dated April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from the Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Ministry of Infrastructure re: Response to letter regarding lack of funding for the Ear Falls Water Treatment Plant Low Lift Pumping Station.

RESOLUTION NO. 118

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 documents numbered 7.1.1 to 7.1.6 at the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

7.2 Monthly Report from Day Care / Best Start Coordinator Marg Trippier – March.

RESOLUTION NO. 119

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Jim Desmarais.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the Report from Departments numbered 7.2 at the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

## 8 BY-LAWS

Council requested that Item No. 8.3, By-Law No. 2082-17, be pulled from the Consent Agenda for debate.

F22-TA

8.3 By-Law No. 2082-17, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement Pursuant to Section 378 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as Amended.

Councillor Simon requested a Recorded Vote.

Recorded Vote:

	Yeas	Nays
Jim Desmarais	X	
Rob Eady		X
Kevin Kahoot		X
Tracey Simon		X

RESOLUTION NO. 120

Moved by Jim Desmarais. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law No. 2082-17 as passed.

Defeated.

8.1 By-Law No. 2080-17, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

T.C.

8.2 By-Law No. 2081-17, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement with Hydro One for Temporary Use of the Ear Falls Waste Disposal Site.

F22-TA

8.3 By-Law No. 2082-17, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement Pursuant to Section 378 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as Amended.

Otherwise dealt with.

RESOLUTION NO. 121

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. 2080-17 and 2081-17 as passed.

Carried.

## **PART II – OTHER ITEMS**

### **9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION**

A09-CO

9.1 Report to Council dated April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance re: Bill 67 and Codes of Conduct.

Council concurred with the Report as presented.

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

12.1 Councillor Jim Desmarais

- Brushing on Highway 657 near the intersection at Bannatyne Avenue will be completed within the next week.

12.2 Councillor Tracey Simon

- Ear Falls Public Library Board
  - The new Library Assistant has started work.
  - They have submitted their final Funding Report to the Province for the Information and Technology Grant.
  - The Library has received some positive feedback on their FaceBook page.
  - The Library will be organizing a Mother's Day craft on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital Board
  - The Board has reviewed their Financial Statements and is applying for additional capital funds in 2017.

12.3 Councillor Rob Eady

- Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) Conference
  - The Conference was interesting and the organizers had quite the job to do in reorganizing the events due to the ice storm that occurred during the Conference. Many of the presenters and Ministers were unable to attend due to the storm and power outages.
- Meeting with the Mayor of Machin on Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Perrault Falls to discuss the possibility of shared services.
- TBT Engineering
  - Rob Frenette discussed the Water Treatment Plant Low Lift Pumping Station project and offered to send an engineer up to complete an assessment of the existing plant as a comparison to the development of a new, smaller plant. Requested that staff follow up with Mr. Frenette on this request.

12.4 Mayor Kevin Kahoot

- Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) Conference
  - NOMA had an election for the first time in sixteen (16) years. The new President is Mayor Wendy Landry (Shuniah) and the new Executive Vice-President is Mayor Doug Lawrance (Sioux Lookout)
  - Met with Union Gas about distribution within the region, including at Wabauskang First Nation. We may facilitate a meeting to assist, if Wabauskang First Nation is interested.
  - Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) and Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) are meeting in Ignace at the end of May. A travel motion will be included on the next Agenda. Please advise the Clerk Treasurer Administrator if you are able to attend.
- Meeting with Machin Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to discuss some opportunities for shared services including By-Law Enforcement.
- Met with the Community Health Centre / Family Health Team for the development of the Helipad. A flyer was sent out earlier this week which seems to have been the cause for some rapid donations from members of the community. Fundraising has been going well.
- Discussed the Water Treatment Plant Low Lift Pumping Station Project in light of the letter in Item 7.1.6 and requested Council's input into the idea of sending a letter of request to MP Bob Nault's office and MPP Sarah Campbell's office asking for a letter of support to be sent to the Honourable Bob Chiarelli.

**11 CLOSED MEETING**

N/A

**12 CLOSED REPORT**

N/A

**13 ADJOURNMENT**

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 122

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Tracey Simon.

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

Carried.

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Mayor

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Clerk