

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #9
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
May 21st, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Daniel Sutton called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Daniel Sutton, Councillor Rob Eady, Councillor Wendy Pearson, 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.)

Council requested clarification on Item No. 7.4.

RESOLUTION NO. 141

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Wendy Pearson.

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 May 7th, 2019 – Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

5.1.2 May 7th, 2019 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 142

Moved by Wendy Pearson. 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 to 5.1.2 at the May 21st, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

None.

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5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

None.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

7.1 Correspondence.

A01-NO

7.1.1 News Release dated April 26th, 2019 from Thunder Bay Newswatch re: Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) members push back on proposed changes to public health units.

A16-NA

7.1.2 Notice received April 30th, 2019 from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re: Inspection of the approved Jack Pine Budworm 2019 Insect Pest Management Program.

A16-MU

7.1.3 Email dated May 2nd, 2019 from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: More choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan.

A04-ON

7.1.4 Letter dated April 29th, 2019 from Ontario Good Roads Association President Rick Kester re: Letter of request sent to Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) to establish a

working relationship to organize an annual Combined Conference and letter of response from Allan Thompson, ROMA Chair.

A16-ON

7.1.5 Email dated May 6th, 2019 from the Municipal Policing Bureau re: Ontario Provincial Police update on various topics.

M06-ON

7.1.6 News Release dated May 9th, 2019 from Ontario News re: Ontario's Government for the People builds toward financial sustainability and a more prosperous future.

A16-EA

7.1.7 News Release dated May 9th, 2019 from Kenora Online re: Carbon Tax costs Ear Falls Eacom Timber Corporation extra in 2019.

M06-ON

7.1.8 News Release dated May 10th, 2019 from Ontario News re: Ontario revitalizing the Rural Economic Growth in Rural Ontario.

RESOLUTION NO. 143

Moved by Wendy Pearson. 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 7.1.8 at the May 21st, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

7.2 Financial Operations Statements – year to date (dated May 15th, 2019).

Council reviewed the Financial Operations Statements – year to date (dated May 15th, 2019) in accordance with By-Law No. 1635-11.

M01-NO

7.3 Special Meeting of Council to be held Tuesday, June 4th, 2019 in the Township of Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers beginning at 6:00 p.m. re: Presentation by Don Yurkiw, BDO Canada, auditor for the Township of Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 144

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Wendy Pearson.

RESOLVED THAT a Special Meeting of Council be held Tuesday, June 4th, 2019 in the Township of Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers beginning at 6:00 p.m. re: Presentation by Don Yurkiw,

BDO Canada, Auditor for the Township of Ear Falls.

Carried.

F10-FI

7.4 2018 Draft Financial Statements for the Township of Ear Falls.

Clarification was requested regarding the Financial Statements. Clerk Treasurer Administrator advised that the statements reflect a substantive vacation pay-out which had been previously accrued by the municipality. The municipal auditor recommended annual pay-outs for employees rather than permitting an ongoing vacation bank.

RESOLUTION NO. 145

Moved by Wendy Pearson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the draft Financial Statements of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls be received and accepted; and

FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk Treasurer Administrator be authorized and hereby directed to execute the Representation Letter with respect to the Audit ended December 31st, 2018.

Carried.

8 BY-LAWS

Council discussed Item No. 8.2.

8.1 By-Law No. 2229-19, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

A09-SA

8.2 By-Law No. 2230-19, a By-Law to Amend the Procedures Governing the Sale / Disposition of Land Policy.

Council discussed whether the municipality should mandate posting on Social Media as the Policy currently only requires posting on the municipal website. No amendments were made to the Policy.

F00-TA

8.3 By-Law No. 2231-19, a By-Law to Set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Subclasses for the Year 2019.

L04-ON

8.4 By-Law No. 2232-19, a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of a Renewal Agreement with the Ontario Provincial Police (O.P.P.) for the Purpose of Delivering Primary Public Safety Answering Point (P-PSAP, Previously CERB) Services for the Provision of 9-1-1 in the Township of Ear Falls.

RESOLUTION NO. 146

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Wendy Pearson.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby consider By-Law Nos. 2229-19, 2230-19, 2231-19, and 2232-19 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

*A16-WA

- 9.1 Email dated May 6th, 2019 from Ryan Haines, Wabauskang First Nation re: 2018 Final Report on the Cedar River Watershed Water Quality Monitoring and an invitation to attend the fourth Wabauskang First Nation Open House / Career Fair.

Council reviewed the Report as presented and discussed proposed dates for an upcoming Meeting with Wabauskang Band Council. Unfortunately, no one is able to attend the Career Fair at Wabauskang being held tomorrow evening.

A.P.

- 9.2 Letter dated May 5th, 2019 from the Red Lake Anishinaape Pow Wow Circle re: Invitation to attend the 16th Annual Pow Wow being held in Red Lake.

RESOLUTION NO. 147

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by Wendy Pearson.

RESOLVED THAT Councillor Daniel Sutton be hereby authorized travel and attendance to the 16th Annual Pow Wow being held in Red Lake on Saturday, June 15th, 2019 beginning at 12:00 p.m.

Carried.

- 9.3 Economic Development Opportunity – Greenhouse Operation.

Council discussed a potential opportunity for a greenhouse to be tied into the Sawmill operation in order to utilize heat that is a by-product of the facility. The Sawmill and the Township would be supportive of this endeavour but neither are interested in being the entity that spearheads the project, therefore another party would be needed to develop this project. The Mayor, Sawmill Manager and staff may travel to visit a facility where this type of partnership is working.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.1 Councillor Rob Eady

- May 9th, 2019 – Sunset Country Museum Network Spring Meeting in Kenora
 - Regional representatives met to discuss events, funding, and activities that each community Museum is working on. Provincial representatives were also present, but did not have much to add in terms of new / available funding. Kenora is building a new Museum / Art Gallery, and Dryden is providing cemetery walks, for a fee, and is promoting the historic and regional significance of deceased residents. The regional representatives in attendance at the Meeting toured the Kenora facility and had a chance to review the deaccession items that were available.

11 CLOSED MEETING

N/A

12 CLOSED REPORT

N/A

13 ADJOURNMENT

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 148

Moved by Wendy Pearson. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk