

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of Ear Falls Council #9
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
May 18th, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Kahoot called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

Mayor Kevin Kahoot, Councillor David Carroll, Councillor Rob Eady, 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 Nos. 7.2.1 and 7.5.

RESOLUTION NO. 100

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by David Carroll.

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 Meeting.

5.1.1 May 4th, 2022 – Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 101

Moved by David Carroll. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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 18th, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.2 Minutes of Committees.

5.2.1 February 22nd, 2022 – Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 102

Moved by David Carroll. Seconded by Rob Eady.

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 May 18th, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

5.3 Minutes from other Agencies / Organizations.

5.3.1 March 25th, 2022 – Northwestern Health Unit Regular Board of Health Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 103

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by David Carroll.

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 18th, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

6 TENDERS / PROPOSALS / QUOTES

None.

7 MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS

7.1 Correspondence.

M06-NO

7.1.1 News Release dated April 28th, 2022 from Ontario News re: Release of the 2022 Budget in support of “Ontario’s Plan to Build” which consists of five (5) pillars: (1) Rebuilding Ontario’s Economy; (2) Working for Workers; (3) Building Highways and Key Infrastructure; (4) Keeping Costs Down; (5) A Plan to Stay Open.

M06-NO

7.1.2 News Release dated May 3rd, 2022 from Ontario News re: Announcement that the Provincial Election will be held June 2nd, 2022.

L11-AG

7.1.3 Letter from the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNR) re: Decision Notice for the proposed Regulation changes to the *Aggregate Resources Act*.

RESOLUTION NO. 104

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by David Carroll.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls receives and files the documents numbered 7.1.1 to 7.1.3 at the May 18th, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

C.O.

7.2. Reports from Departments / Boards / Committees.

7.2.1 Monthly Report from Economic Development Officer Michelle Hiscox – April.

Clarification was requested on budget information for community events.

RESOLUTION NO. 105

Moved by David Carroll. 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 7.2.1 at the May 18th, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

7.3. Statement of Revenue and Expenditures – year to date (dated May 11th, 2022).

Council reviewed the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures – year

to date (dated May 11th, 2022) in accordance with By-Law No. 2283-20.

F18-EN

- 7.4 Repeal of Resolution No. 082-22, Request for Quote – Class Environmental Assessment for Trail Rehabilitation, Ear Falls, Ontario.

RESOLUTION NO. 106

Moved by David Carroll. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 082-22 that accepted a Quote from exp. for a Class Environmental Assessment (CEA) for Trail Rehabilitation to be completed in Ear Falls, Ontario is hereby repealed in its entirety, following confirmation from the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario that the CEA is not required by the Township.

Carried.

E03-RE

- 7.5 Email dated March 29th, 2022 from Nicholas Kyle, Northern Waterworks Inc. re: 2021 Annual Report for the Ear Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Council requested clarification on the electrical thermal study completed at the plant, the portable generator, and number of spills that occurred during 2021 that were related to unplanned power outages.

RESOLUTION NO. 107

Moved by David Carroll. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls has received and reviewed the 2021 Annual Report for the Ear Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant from Northern Waterworks Inc. in accordance with Condition 10(5) of amended Environmental Compliance Approval No. 1492-A2ZHLC.

Carried.

C12-BO

- 7.6 Report to Council dated May 9th, 2022 from Economic Development Officer Michelle Hiscox re: Northwest Training and Adjustment Board – Economic Development Officer Re-Appointment.

RESOLUTION NO. 108

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by David Carroll.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls accepts the Report to Council dated May 9th, 2022 from Economic Development Officer Michelle Hiscox re: Northwest Training and Adjustment Board – Economic Development Officer Re-Appointment.

Carried.

8 BY-LAWS

Council requested clarification on Item No. 8.3.

8.1 By-Law No. 2429-22, a By-Law to Affirm Minor Decisions by Council.

S.D.

8.2 By-Law No. 2430-22, a By-Law to Authorize the Borrowing of \$750,000.00 Pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 407 (1)*, as Amended.

F22-TA

8.3 By-Law No. 2431-22, 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.

Council requested clarification on the Agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 109

Moved by David Carroll. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby considers By-Law No. 2429-22, 2430-22, and 2431-22 as passed.

Carried.

PART II – OTHER ITEMS

9 ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

A04-MU

9.1 2022 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Delegation Requests.

Council requested putting forward the following requests:

- Crown Land / Cottage Lot development – Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources, and Forestry (NDMNR)

- Ministry of Infrastructure – thanks for the Water Treatment Plant Low Lift Pumping Station Project Funding.

F11-NO

- 9.2 2022 / 2023 Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Project for the Ear Falls Safe Play Space.

Council discussed using these funds to improve housing lot availability in the Mobile Home Residential zone. This will include levelling municipally owned properties, brushing excess trees, and improving roadway access. The Forest Drive to Rosewood Crescent loop road will also be reviewed for improvement. Administration will develop a project application for this purpose for submission to the Province.

*A09-FO

- 9.3 Report to Council dated May 11th, 2022 from Clerk Treasurer Administrator re: Food Truck Rules.

Council reviewed the rules that are utilized by other municipalities, and agreed that these types of vehicles will likely be event driven, not generally located on municipal roadways. Entrepreneurship, commercial taxes vs business licencing fees and general business fairness was discussed. At this time, Council will not develop additional rules for Food Trucks, but will review again if / when there are any concerns raised in the future.

D07-CO

- 9.4 Cottage Lot responses to the Township's Cottage Lot Consultation:

- (a) Andrea Langford, Goose Bay Camp
- (b) Ursula De Keyser

Council reviewed the input and responses.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

No Reports.

11 CLOSED MEETING

11.1 RESOLUTION NO. 110

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by David Carroll.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ear Falls hereby convenes into a Closed Session at 7:45 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. 111

Moved by David Carroll. Seconded by Rob Eady.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ear Falls convened from a Closed Session at 7:56 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

12 CLOSED REPORT

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

13 ADJOURNMENT

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 112

Moved by Rob Eady. Seconded by David Carroll.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 7:57 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk