

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS

MINUTES of the Special Meeting of Ear Falls Council
Ear Falls Municipal Council Chambers
February 1, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kevin Kahoot called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

Mayor Kevin Kahoot, Councillor Daniel Sutton, Councillor Kim Thain, Councillor Doug Woolsey, Clerk Treasurer Administrator Kimberly Ballance, Janine deBoer, Compliance Officer for Northern Waterworks Inc. (electronically), Brigitte Jetté, Operations Manager for Northern Waterworks Inc., Andrew Hallett, VP, Municipal Operations for Northern Waterworks Inc. (electronically), Jessica Happl, new Compliance Officer for Northern Waterworks Inc. (electronically) and 1 member of the public

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4 MATTERS FOR WHICH SPECIAL MEETING WAS CALLED

4.1 Northern Waterworks Inc. Training re: Safe Drinking Water Act / Standard of Care

Andrew Hallett introduced the Northern Waterworks Inc. (NWI) team who were in attendance. He thanked Brigitte Jetté for her attendance in-person, and for the 100% compliance with Ministry requirements for the 2022 calendar year. He noted that Janine deBoer is completing a contract with NWI, and that Jessica Happl will be taking over as Compliance Officer this month.

Janine deBoer provided an overview of the Safe Drinking Water Act, Standard of Care training including:

- Council's role as the owner of the Ear Falls Drinking Water System;
- Statutory Standard of Care under Section 19 of the Safe Drinking Water Act;
- Overview of the Ear Falls' drinking water system;
- Operational Plan and its endorsement by municipal staff;
- Regulatory responsibilities under O. Reg. 169/03 and 1730/03;
- Walkerton Tragedy, history and outcomes;
- Shared responsibility by all players in the drinking water system: Provincial Government, Public Health Unity, Drinking Water System Owners, and Operating Authorities.
- Requirements for Water Treatment Operator Certifications and training;

- Ontario’s Drinking Water Protection Plan / Multi-Barrier Approach;
- Municipal Drinking Water Licence;
- Quality Management System Policy;
- Source Protection Planning;
- Infrastructure Planning and Maintenance needs;
- Emergency Management and Training; and,
- Annual Reporting to Council and the Public through Section 11 and Schedule 22 Summary Reports.

Council thanked Northern Waterworks for their presentation.

5 ADJOURNMENT

5.1 RESOLUTION NO. 016

Moved by Doug Woolsey. Seconded by Kim Thain.

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at the hour of 4:50 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk