

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

March 16, 2021

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held Tuesday evening March 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. This was a fully electronic meeting via Zoom because our region was under restrictions due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Mayor Sterling participated from the municipal office via Zoom.

Council members attending electronically: Barb Marlow, Delyne Patterson, Penny Brandt, and Celia Finley.

Staff in attendance at the municipal office attending via Zoom: Nancy Field, Brayden Robinson, Judy Kosowan.

Staff attending electronically: Lloyd Van Duzen.

Public attending electronically: Judy Ransome, Paul Van Dam, Lee McConnell (Almaguin News), Nieves Guijarro.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the Tri-council meeting February 22, 2021 and special meeting March 2, 2021 and regular meeting March 2, 2021 were adopted as circulated, on a motion moved by Councillor Patterson and seconded by Councillor Brandt. (Carried)

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None declared.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:** Lloyd Van Duzen outlined a presentation on the Commercial Vehicle Operators Registry (CVOR) requirements. Hours of service for drivers were explained. The process for daily inspections of vehicles and identifying major and minor defects were outlined.

A request was received from the Township of Perry regarding a proposed capital project for the shared So-Ho-Mish boundary road. Council decided to postpone the project until 2022.

**CLERK:** The Violence and Harassment policy statements were provided to Council and a resolution adopted.

A report on By-law Enforcement Services contract renewal was provided to Council and a by-law to extend the contract was adopted.

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Marlow reported that the Arena Expansion Committee is looking at including the Library in the plans to expand the Arena. Councillor Marlow will take Council's comments to the next meeting.

## **GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Eastholme: Annual General Meeting notice and the 2021 Levy allocation. Council entered into a discussion about the budget and the care of seniors at Eastholme and would like a meeting arranged via zoom with the Director of Long Term Care to speak to all the area Municipalities.

Armour Township: Regional Fire Training Officer up-date  
Almaguin Recycling Initiative (ARI) minutes and budget information  
Almaguin Highlands Health Centre meeting minutes  
Joint Building Committee statistics

## **BY-LAWS**

By-law number 10-21 being a by-law to extend the By-Law Enforcement services contract for three months.

By-law number 11-21 being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that the minutes from the Tri-Council meeting February 22, 2021 and special meeting March 2, 2021 and regular meeting March 2, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling.  
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow Seconded by Councillor Finley be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the attached Violence and Harassment Policy Statements dated March 16, 2021.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow Patterson, Sterling.  
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 10-21, being a By-law to enter into an agreement for By-law Enforcement services and further; That By-Law # 10-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 16 day of March 2021.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling.  
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 11-21, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 11-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 16 day of March 2021.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling.  
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt, Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 6:49 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling.  
(Carried)

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MAYOR

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CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK