

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

September 7, 2021

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held Tuesday September 7, 2021, at 6:05 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining electronic meeting via Zoom and in person due to the COVID-19 Pandemic precautions.

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Mayor Sterling and Councillor Marlow participated from the municipal office.

Council members attending electronically via Zoom: Delynne Patterson, Celia Finley, Penny Brandt.

Staff in attendance at the municipal office: Brayden Robinson, Judy Kosowan.

Presenter Judy Kleinhuis from Grant Thornton attended electronically.

Public attending electronically: Nieves Guijarro, Paul Van Dam, Judy Ransome.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

The minutes from the public meetings for the zoning by-law amendment for 1705 D Peggs Mountain Rd. and 629 Sieber Rd. August 10, 2021, and special and regular meetings August 10, 2021, be adopted as circulated, on a motion moved by Councillor Brandt and seconded by Councillor Patterson. (Carried)

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PRESENTATION:

Judy Kleinhuis from Grant Thornton attended the meeting to present the 2020 Consolidated, Trust, and Fire Financial Statements to Council. There were no issues with the audit opinion and the 2020 statements. A resolution is noted below.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Council received information about the three proposals for Engineer of Record services and adopted a resolution as noted below.

STAFF REPORTS:

FIRE CHIEF: Dave McNay provided a written report noting that the 2006 Ford Explorer vehicle needs extensive repairs and recommended that it be taken out of service. A resolution was adopted as noted below.

TREASURER: Information was provided about two by-laws regarding funding agreements and two by-laws regarding financing for a new tandem truck. The by-laws were adopted as noted below.

A staff report regarding a 2021 budget amendment and the roadside mowing tender was discussed and resolutions adopted.

An update on the draft Asset Management Plan was provided and a date will be scheduled for a special Council meeting next week for a presentation of the Asset Management Plan.

CLERK: A staff report was provided regarding land use permission from the Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club and a resolution was adopted.

Council received a staff report about expansion of services to two industrial parks north and west of Burks Falls and resolutions of support were adopted.

Council received a staff report regarding consent applications B-044/21 and B-045/21 (196 James Camp Road) and a resolution was adopted.

A staff report for consent application B-046/21 (2118) South Horn Lake Road was provided, and a resolution was adopted.

It was noted that the Citizen Engagement Survey for the Municipal Digital Modernization Review is live on the website and Facebook page until September 17, 2021.

COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

- Information was received from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) regarding municipal recognition of September 30th as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day). Council adopted the below resolution of support.
- Brian Dumas, Chief Building Official, Joint Building Committee: report on Tiny Homes, July 31st Statistics.
- Village of Burks Falls: August Arena Report
- A funding request was received from the Burks Falls Family Health Team. A resolution of support was defeated as further information is required.
- Paul Van Dam re: Noise By-law/discharge of firearms. Council noted that this would be an OPP matter.

Note: There was a power outage at approximately 7:50 p.m. The connection to the electronic meeting was lost during the discussion of the last communication item. Meeting connection was restored at approximately 8:05 p.m. and the meeting resumed.

BY-LAWS

- By-law 39-21 to enter into the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) COVID-19 Transfer Payment Agreement.
- By-law 40-21 to enter into the Municipal Modernization Program Intake 2 Transfer Payment Agreement.
- By-law 41-21 to enter into agreement with Infrastructure Ontario and Lands Corporation, temporary borrowing.
- By-law 42-21 to enter into agreement with Infrastructure Ontario and Lands Corporation capital works long term financing.
- By-law 43-21 to confirm the Meetings of Council.

CLOSED MEETING

Council moved to a closed meeting by resolution at 8:09 p.m.

In the closed meeting, Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusions and returned to the open meeting at 8:19 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that the minutes from the public meetings for the zoning by-law amendment for 1705 D Peggs Mountain Rd. and 629 Sieber Rd. August 10, 2021, and special and regular meetings August 10, 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 Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson accept the Township of Ryerson Consolidated Financial Statements for 2020 and the 2020 Burks Falls and District Fire Department Financial Statements.

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

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept the Request for Proposal from Tatham Engineering for provision of Engineer of Record Services for a two-year period ending October 31, 2023.

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 Ryerson Township Council authorize that the Fire Prevention Vehicle, a 2006 Ford Explorer be taken out of service and deemed as a surplus asset for disposal.

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

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 39-21, being a By-law to enter into the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) COVID-19 Transfer Payment Agreement and further; That By-Law # 39-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 7th day of September 2021.

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

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 40 -21, being a By-law to enter into the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the Municipal Digital Modernization Program Intake 2 and further; that By-Law # 40-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 7th day of September, 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 # 41-21, being a By-law to authorize the submission of an application to Infrastructure Ontario and Lands Corporation for financing capital works and authorize temporary borrowing; and further that By-Law # 41 - 21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 7th day of September 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 # 42 -21, being a By-law to approve the submission of an Application to Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation for long term financing of certain capital works and entering into a rate offer agreement, and further

that By-Law # 42-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 7th day of September 2021

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

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the amendment of the 2021 Budget as per the Treasurer's Staff Report dated September 1, 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 Ryerson Township Council has considered the completion date for the roadside mowing tender.

Council will charge the penalty clause against the invoice from Derrick Johnstone Construction for the three-day period from August 14, 2021, until the completion date of August 16, 2021, at the rate of \$50.00 per day for a total of \$150.00 (pre-tax).

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling.
No: Brandt. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council enter into the MOU agreement with the Magnetawan Ridge Runners

Snowmobile Club, in order for the Club to obtain insurance from the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC). The MOU agreement from September 1, 2021, to August 31, 2022, between the Magnetawan Ridge Runners and the Township of Ryerson will only come into effect upon receipt of proof of insurance from the OFSC, including the indemnification and hold harmless clause wording, and a current insurance certificate naming the Township of Ryerson as additional insured.

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

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt Whereas Ryerson Township Council supports the expansion of natural gas, electricity, and broadband Internet to the industrial and business parks in the Township of Armour and Village of Burks Falls; Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Ryerson Township Council support, the application from the Township of Armour and the Village of Burks Falls to the NOHFC Community Enhancement Program, in principle.

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

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Marlow Whereas Ryerson Township Council supports the expansion of natural gas, electricity, and broadband Internet to the industrial and business parks in the Township of Armour and Village of Burks Falls; Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Ryerson Township Council support, the application from the Township of Armour and the Village of Burks Falls to FEDNOR for funding, in principle.

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 supports Consent Applications: B-044/21, B-045/21 Lot 8, Concession 3, within the Township of Ryerson, 196 James Camp Road, subject to the following conditions: If the reference plan or other evidence discloses that either the severed property or the retained property owned by the Applicant contains a deviation road maintained by the Township as a public road, then the Applicant shall survey and transfer such deviation road to the Township as a condition of severance. The area to be surveyed and transferred shall generally be 66 feet in width and centered upon the center line of the present traveled road. In situations where this is impractical, the Applicant should discuss how this requirement will be fulfilled with the Municipality before the reference plan is finalized.

The Township requires one copy of the draft reference plan for review prior to registration, two copies of the Final Reference Plan and one digital copy of the Final Reference Plan.

As a condition of severance approval, the Applicant shall pay to the Municipality in which the land is located, or otherwise satisfy the requirement for donation of Parkland set out in Section 51.1 of the Planning Act.

The Township requires that for any proposed entrance: The Public Works Supervisor will be contacted to inspect the location to determine that a safe location for an entrance can be found. The Planning Board will be advised in writing that this condition has been met before the finalization of the consent is given.

That the Planning Board receive confirmation from the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority that there is an area within the proposed retained lot and severed lot that is suitable for a conventional sewage disposal system (i.e., Class 4)

That the Township's Consent Application Fee and Deposit Fee be paid to the Township of Ryerson before the finalization of the consent is given.

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

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports Consent Application: B-046/21, Lot 11, and Part Lot 12 Concession 14, within the Township of Ryerson, at 2118 South Horn Lake Rd, subject to the following conditions:

If the reference plan or other evidence discloses that either the severed property or the retained property owned by the Applicant contains a deviation road maintained by the Township as a public road, then the Applicant shall survey and transfer such deviation road to the Township as a condition of severance. The area to be surveyed and transferred shall generally be 66 feet in width and centered upon the center line of the present traveled road. In situations where this

is impractical, the Applicant should discuss how this requirement will be fulfilled with the Municipality before the reference plan is finalized.

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

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;

AND WHEREAS all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ryerson does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, 2021, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.

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

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Patterson WHEREAS Ryerson Township Council has considered the request from the Burks Falls Family Health Team for a contribution of \$11,123., one fifth of the estimated cost of repairs in the amount of \$55,615. for renovations required to accommodate an additional physician in the Almaguin Highlands Health Center;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council will contribute \$11,123. to the support the renovations and physician retention in our community.

Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley. No: Marlow, Patterson, Sterling. (Defeated)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 43-21, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further;

That By-Law # 43-21 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 7th day of September 2021.

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

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that we move to a closed session at 8:09 p.m., pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2) (d)

as the subject matter being considered is regarding labour relations or employee negotiations;
The general nature of the closed meeting is to discuss human resources matters.
Recorded vote due to electronic meeting: Yes: Brandt, Finley, Marlow, Patterson, Sterling.
(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that we do
now adjourn at 8:21 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2021, at
6:00 p.m.

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

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK