

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

November 14, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **November 14, 2023** at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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.

Council members attending electronically via Zoom or phone: Mayor Sterling, Councillors: Abbott, Miller Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field

Public attending by phone or electronically: Judy Ransome, Roman Kaczynski, and Paul Van Dam.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 168 - 23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the Tri-council meeting October 23, 2023 and regular meeting on October 24, 2023 be adopted as circulated.
(Carried)

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

4. DELEGATION: None registered

5. REPORTS:

DEPUTY CLERK: Nancy Field provided a report to Council to set the Holiday Office Hours

R- 169-23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council set the 2023 Ryerson Township Office Holiday Hours as follows: Closed: December 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 2023 and January 1, 2024. Office to re-open regular hours on Tuesday January 2, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.
(Carried)

Council received an informational report and provided staff direction to provide recognition for Staff and Volunteers.

R- 170-23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council direct that recognition shall be provided, as outlined in the attached Staff/Volunteer Recognition Report dated November 14, 2023.
(Carried)

Council received the financial report from the Santa Claus Parade Committee and decided on a donation for the 2023 parade. As per the Resolution below.

R-171-23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$200.00 annually to the Santa Clause Parade Committee.

(Carried)

Council discussed attendance to the 2024 Conferences and the following resolutions were adopted.

R-172- 23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council authorize: Glenn Miller to attend the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) January 21-23, 2024 in Toronto.

(Carried)

R-173- 23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council authorize: Glen Miller to attend the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Conference (AMO) August 18-21, 2024 in London.

(Carried)

TREASURER: Brayden Robinson provided Council the final draft of the Reserves Policy and a resolution was adopted as noted below.

R-174- 23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council adopt the Reserves Policy as attached.

(Carried)

Council received a report for the Engineer of Record and a resolution was adopted as noted below.

R-175- 23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize the CAO/Treasurer to execute an agreement with Tatham Engineering Limited for a two-year term, ending December 31, 2025.

(Carried)

Council considered a by-law to appoint a clerk, and a resolution is noted below.

R-176- 23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 41-23, being a By-law to appoint a Clerk and further; That By-Law # 41-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 14th day of November 2023.

(Carried)

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mayor Sterling provided a verbal update regarding the Eastholme Administrators report.

6. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

Council received a resolution to support from Armour Township and adopted the following resolution.

R-177- 23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the appointment of Armour Township as the lead municipality on the construction of a new library project.

(Carried)

7. COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

Council received a resolution supported by McKellar Township to amend the *Legislation Act 2006* and a resolution is noted below.

R-178-23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council support the resolution No. 23-671 passed by the McKellar Township Council to amend the Legislation Act, 2006 to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations.

(Carried)

General Information Items Received:

-District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board, DSSAB – October 2023 - CAO Report

-Burks Falls & District Historical Society Minutes October 16, 2023

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 179-23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 42-23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 42-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 14th day of November 2023.

(Carried)

9. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 180-23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 6:54 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 28, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

(Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK