

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

March 11, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **March 11, 2025** 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 in person or electronically: Mayor Sterling, Councillors: Abbott, Miller, Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field, and Joe Readman.

Public attending in person or electronically: Natasha Wilkie, Rod & Doreen Hodder, Julie Van Es, Alice Hewitt, Pete Van Es, Ana Cultraro, Cora & David Mills, Lorraine Burton, Dave Crew-Read, Jim Shedden, Roman Kaczynski, and Josh Lilley.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

R- 38 - 25 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the March 11, 2025 agenda as circulated.

(Carried)

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 39 - 25 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the Tri-Council meeting February 24, 2025, the regular meeting February 25, 2025, and the special meeting on February 26, 2025, be adopted as circulated.

(Carried)

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

4. DELEGATION:

Barry Burton attended the Council meeting with a presentation to speak with Council regarding the proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in Armour Township.

5. TENDERS/QUOTES/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP):

R- 40 -25 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that the Ryerson Township Council authorize tenders to be issued for the supply and apply of crushed granite, roadside mowing, Peggs Mountain Road resurfacing, and supply and stockpile winter sand.

(Carried)

6. REPORTS:

CAO/TREASURER: Brayden presented council with the shared services budgets, the 2025 budget, an excavator report and a geotechnical report and site plan for the new fire hall property. Questions were asked and answered. Resolutions noted below.

R- 41 - 25 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approves the 2025 net Armour, Ryerson, Burk's Falls Memorial Arena budget, in the amount of \$488,615, with Ryerson's share to be \$162,872. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$3,717 will be put into an arena reserve.

(Carried)

R- 42 - 25 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approves the 2025 net fire budget in the amount of \$542,522, with Ryerson's share to be \$127,818. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$2,469 will be put into a fire reserve.

(Carried)

R- 43 - 25 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2025 net Tri-R Waste Management budget in the amount of \$317,500.00 with Ryerson's share to be \$105,174.00. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$3,115 will be put into a landfill reserve.

(Carried)

R- 44 - 25 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2025 net Library Board budget in the amount of \$185,150.00. Ryerson's share to be \$41,506.00.

(Carried)

R- 45 - 25 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2025 South East Parry Sound Regional Fire Training Officer Budget in the amount of \$85,408.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$4,024.00.

(Carried)

R- 46 - 25 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council direct staff to issue a tender for contracted brushing work.

(Carried)

CLERK: Nancy provided council with a draft flag policy.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

7. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

General Information Items Received:

- Council received the February 17, 2025, meeting minutes from the Historical Society.
- Council received the Summer Kick-off poster from the Port Carman Marina.
- Council received the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board CAO report.
- Council received the Township of Armours resolution for the arena budget.

- Council received the Township of Armours resolution for the fire budget.
- Council received the Township of Armours resolution for the landfill budget.
- Council received the Township of Armours resolution for the library budget.
- Council received the Township of Armours resolution committing to the library.
- Council received the Greystone Geotechnical foundations quote for the library.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee permit summary for February.

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 47 -25 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 12-25, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 12-25 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 11th day of March 2025.

(Carried)

9. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 48 -25 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:14 p.m. The next regular meeting is March 25, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

(Carried)

Original Signed by George Sterling

MAYOR

Original Signed by Nancy Field

CLERK