# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES**

# June 20, 2017

In Celebration of Canada 150, Ryerson Township presents Minutes from the Past!

1941: By-law No. 721 – To prohibit cattle being allowed to run at large in the Township of Ryerson: Cattle of every description shall be prohibited from running at large on the highways of this Township; shall be at the owners risk in respect to damage caused by such cattle.

This By-law reflects Ryerson's long rural history.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening June 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Rosalind Hall, Barbara Marlow, Doug Weddel, and George Sterling.

Staff in attendance: Leanne Fetterley, Dave Gray and Judy Kosowan.

Delegations & Guests in attendance: Mike Derry, Judy Ransome.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the front door of the office and on the web site and recorded on the telephone voice message.

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the Regular meeting June 6, 2017 were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Weddel and seconded by Councillor Marlow. (Carried)

#### **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Reeve Miller declared pecuniary interest with respect to agenda item 5.5, automatic door opener, as the company he is employed by has submitted a quote for this item.

#### **DELEGATIONS**

None registered.

#### STAFF REPORTS

#### Economic Development

Council reviewed the written report submitted by Economic Development Officer Dave Gray and discussed the resolutions from the BACED committee regarding signage. Council approved the purchase of a digital sign as required by the Ryerson Procurement By-law (resolution).

#### Public Works

Lead Hand Lloyd Van Duzen submitted a written report regarding regular road department operations.

Council reviewed a written report submitted by Public Works Supervisor Bob Edmunds regarding: Midlothian Road guard rail request; Nipissing Road Surface Damage; Rosskopf Road incident. For Midlothian Road, Council asked for a report from Bob Edmunds to provide possible options for signage or other solutions to mark the area along by the river.

A second report from Bob Edmunds was provided regarding Regulation 396/16 regarding construction equipment and the possible effects on the excavator. Council requested that Mr. Edmunds compare prices of the options presented in the report and provide further information at the next Council meeting.

#### Fire Prevention Officer

A draft revised daytime fire by-law was reviewed. Council suggested some amendments and an up-dated version will be obtained for the next meeting.

#### <u>Treasurer</u>

A budget update was reviewed by Council.

Council suggestions regarding budget percentage monitoring will be incorporated in future budget updates.

Information was provided about the deposit interest as it pertains to a proposed update to the Township Donation Policy.

Council discussed the request to donate toward the bus for swimming lessons in Burks Falls. Council declined to donate to swimming lessons for 2017.

#### Deputy Clerk

The Deputy Clerk provided a verbal about the recent AMCTO Annual Conference and circulated the draft 2017 Summer Newsletter for Council Review.

Reeve Miller declared pecuniary interest for the next item regarding a quote for the accessible door opener. Barbara Marlow chaired this portion of the meeting and Reeve Miller left the room.

A verbal update was provided regarding the accessible door opener RFP. Only one quote was received which met the requirements. However, the proposal received from Davicor was not accepted due to budget restraints. Council directed staff to re-do the process.

Reeve Miller returned to the room.

#### Clerk's Report

The Clerk provided a verbal report on the recent AMCTO conference recently attended.

#### SHARED SERVICES

Correspondence was received from the Township of Armour requesting a special Tri Council meeting to discuss the draft agreement proposed by Armour. Council directed staff to respond through Burks Falls, as they are the lead municipality in this process.

#### **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

#### Regional Fire

Reeve Miller reported on the meeting held June 15, 2017. As a result of the challenges to using existing risk assessments as the basis for a cost sharing

formula, the Office of the Fire Marshall will be preparing updated risk assessments. This regional initiative is still moving ahead.

#### Joint Building Committee

Councillor Weddel attended the recent meeting. Monthly reports provided by Brian Dumas were received. There were no concerns raised with the financial reports. Overall the Committee members were of the opinion that things are going well. The municipalities were billed in January for half of funding needed. The 2016 financial statements from Grant Thornton were provided, with no problems reported. The next meeting is scheduled for October.

#### District Social Services Administration Board

Councillor Marlow attended a DSSAB conference and reported on an issue raised regarding affordable housing and the possible sale and use of vacant schools which could be converted to housing. A resolution will be prepared for Council for the next meeting. Many new initiatives and innovations for social housing and social programs were topics at the conference.

#### Canada 150

Plans for the June 24, 2017 Canada 150 event were finalized.

## **CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS**

- Bill Mauro, Ministry of Municipal Affairs being a media release regarding Bill 68 (Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act)
- Joint Building Committee Permit Summaries
- Regional Fire Services Committee Minutes March 23, 2017
- OPP Calls for Service Billing Summary Report
- Township of Armour being Notice of a Public Meeting regarding a proposed zoning by-law amendment

## **BY-LAWS**

- By-law #27-17, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

## **CLOSED MEETING**

Council moved to a closed meeting as noted in the below resolution. Council returned to the open meeting at 10:00 p.m. Human Resources Committee member to meet with staff as required.

#### **OPEN MEETING**

Council returned to the open meeting and Mike Derry brought forward an issue regarding barking dogs at a kennel on Peggs Mountain Road. He asked why no notice of the kennel was given. The Township's dog by-law 14-99 regulates kennels and there is no notice required. The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, James Mahoney is monitoring the complaint received.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Hall be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the resolution from the Burk's Falls and Area Economic Development Committee for the manufacture and installation of a digital sign from Coles Signs and Graphics for \$33,339 + HST. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #27-17, being a By-law to confirm the

meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #27-17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 20th day of June, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling be it resolved that we move to a closed session at 9:36 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: review of staff workload and working relationships. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow that we do now adjourn at 10:20 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by Glenn Miller

REEVE

Original signed by Leanne Fetterley

DEPUTY CLERK