

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### **MINUTES**

June 4, 2019

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening June 4, 2019. Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council members present: Mayor George Sterling, Councillors Penny Brandt, Celia Finley and Delynne Patterson. Regrets: Councillor Barbara Marlow.

Staff in attendance: Judy Kosowan, Nancy Field and Brayden Robinson.

Public in attendance: Judy Ransome and Rosalind Hall.

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**

Minutes from the regular meeting May 21, 2019 and special meetings May 22 and May 28, 2019 were adopted as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Brandt and seconded by Councillor Patterson.

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

**DELEGATION:** None

#### **STAFF REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC WORKS:** A written report provided general road department updates including an update on the calcium application, the new Case Backhoe has been delivered and a welcome to Mr. Delwin Scarlett to the roads team. Council discussed the Road Tour for 2019.

**DEPUTY CLERK:** Provided a brief update on Flood Waste and the Yard and Craft Sale Poster.

**TREASURER:** Educated Council about the Ontario Regulation 284/09 and illustrated the difference between setting a balanced budget on a modified accrual basis and one set on a Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) accounting rule basis. The final 2019 budget By-law was passed as noted below, with a 3.99 percent increase in the tax levy.

**CLERK:** Community Safety and Well-Being Plan was received for information purposes. The plans for June 22, 2019 Yard Sale were discussed.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Council was provided with reports on the operation of the department. The Fire Department will be attending the June 22, 2019 Yard Sale with the Aerial and the new equipment. They will provide a presentation and a dedication in memory of the late Ron Stableford.

**BY-LAW:** A written Quarterly Staff Report was provided to update council.

#### **COUNCILLOR REPORT(S)**

Councillor Marlow, in her absence provided written reports from the Arena subcommittee meeting discussing the `Repurposing of Space` at the Arena and requested ideas from our Council members.

Councillor Patterson: Provided written reports from FONOM, offering ideas from Gord Hume to create a strategic plan to address the needs of *Northern Townships* to enable them to be heard, the Historical Society to provide updates and information for the summer season and the Library meeting providing a brief summary to council.

Councillor Finley: Provided a written report from the ACED board meeting and recommended that Ryerson accept the Agreement and the Terms of Reference. A written report was received highlighting the Regional Recreation Committee meeting and a request to represent Ryerson Township on that committee was adopted by resolution as noted below.

### **CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS**

- Resolutions from other municipalities regarding cuts to Library funding: Town of Fort Frances, Township of Mulmar, Township of Essa, Hanover, Township of McKellar.
- Township of Armour re: Notice of Passing of Zoning By-law Amendment
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry: French-Severn Forest Management Plan
- 2019 West Nipissing Quest: International Plowing Match 2019 fact sheet

### **Discussion Items**

- Burks Falls and District Historical Society: Celebration of 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Premier of Ontario: up-date
- Requests for support of resolutions from: Town of Mono and Lake of Bays regarding OMPF funding (resolution); Town of Aurora, Township of the Archipelago, York Region, Town of Grimsby, City of Markham and Grey County in opposition to Bill 108, the More Homes, More Choice Act (resolution)
- Invitation from Township of Perry to the Grand Opening of the Perry Township Fire Hall August 21, 2019
- Village of Burks Falls Arena report

### **Information Items**

- Burks Falls and District Historical Society: May 20, 2019 meeting minutes
- North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit: Public Health Transformation Update, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, Overdose Alert System

### **BY-LAWS**

- By-Law #28 -19 to set the 2019 tax rates.
- By-law # 29 -19 to enter into an employment agreement.
- By-law # 30 -19 to confirm the meetings of Council.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on May 21, 2019 and special meeting minutes from May 22 and May 28, 2019 be adopted as circulated.(Carried)

Moved by Councillor Finley, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the 2019 Budget Report, excluding expenses as per Ontario Regulation 284/09. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #28-19, being a By-law to set Tax Rates for 2019 and further; That By-Law #28-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize Celia Finley to be the Ryerson Township Representative on the on the Regional Recreation Committee meeting. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the recommendation from the ACED Committee and accept the Aced Terms of Reference and the Agreement for shared Economic Development Services as presented. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the correspondence received from the Town of Mono and the resolution from Township of Lake of Bays recommending that the OMPF be maintained at not less than its current funding level. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Brandt, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council has received and supports the resolutions from the Town of Aurora, Township of the Archipelago, York Region, Town of Grimsby, City of Markham, Muskoka Lakes and Grey County in opposition to Bill 108, the More Homes, More Choices Act. (Carried)

WHEREAS the Township of Ryerson wishes to ensure that municipal services are delivered in the most efficient manner possible, reflecting the needs of the Municipality and our desire to remain competitive, retaining and expanding businesses while attracting new ones;

WHEREAS enhancing the quality of life and expanding opportunities for families is critical in order to ensure the continued vitality of our community;

WHEREAS the municipality must be able to demonstrate diligence and establish the proper business processes that are required in these times of change;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Ryerson solicit request for proposals from qualified consultants to conduct an organizational review and provide Council with short, medium and long-term goals that set out a path forward by examining staffing levels/competencies, service delivery options and financial health;

AND FURTHER that a steering committee composed of all members of Council be established for the purposes of guiding the project;

AND FURTHER that an appropriate person be appointed as a recoding clerk of the municipality for the purpose of conducting Council meetings regarding confidential matters pursuant to Sections 228(3) and 239(2) of the Municipal Act.

AND FURTHER that a budget upset limit maximum of \$80,000 be established, with funds derived from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing grant announced by the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister on March 20, 2019.

Such grants are intended to address service delivery, shared services, and capital investment.

AND FURTHER that this be deferred until the Asset Management Plan is reviewed in July. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Finley, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #29-19, being a By-law to authorize the Township to enter into a definite term employment contract for a truck driver/equipment operator; That By-Law #29-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #30-19, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #30-19 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Brandt, seconded by Councillor Patterson, be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:30 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

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CLERK