# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 21, 2017

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

March 3, 1967: [Moved by] Crosbie, [seconded by] Shaw – That the Clerk order 3 centennial plaques, 2 made of Arborite \$10.00 each and 1 Bronze at \$115.00, with the following inscription: Ryerson Township District of Parry Sound

This time 100 years ago the Township was planning to celebrate Canada's centennial...and you can still see the bronze plaque at the Wiseman's Corner School House at 112 Midlothian Road.

This year we are preparing to celebrate Canada's 150th!

Join us for a very special Ryerson Yard Sale and "Homecoming" at the School House Museum on June 24, 2017!

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening March 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Rosalind Hall, Barbara Marlow and Doug Weddel. Councillor Sterling was absent.

Staff in attendance: Judy Kosowan, Leanne Fetterley, Judy Edwards, Lloyd Van Duzen, and Dave Gray.

Delegations & Guests in attendance: Bob van der Wijst, Patrick Birnie, Bill Beers, Watson Wineck, Rod Blakelock, Mike Derry, and Paul Van Dam.

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 March 7, 2017 were approved as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Marlow and seconded by Councillor Weddel. (Carried)

# **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** (none declared)

#### **DELEGATIONS**

Rod Blakelock provided an update on the status of the Agricultural Society, its financial standing, and sustainability. Mr. Blakelock is urging all three Municipalities to support the Agricultural Society to ensure that the annual fair is a viable event. Councils already provide support but more could be done to support this important community organization.

# **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Planning (1732 Peggs Mountain Road): Staff presented Council with an overview of the current zoning for this property and highlighted the past and current use of the property as well as a development proposal to operate the site as a children's camp. Bob van der Wijst provided Council with interpretations of the zoning for this property, including recommendations on behalf of planner Rick Hunter. Council adopted the resolution noted below.

# **STAFF REPORTS**

#### Community Economic Development Officer

Highlights of the written CEDO report dated March 13 were provided to Council including the following items: The signage plan is awaiting MTO approval; 3R Volunteer Program funding is approved and the program will move forward; the Villages of Almaguin has now received full regional support; BACED has approved the content partnership with Explorers' Edge; Letters of support from BACED have been provided to the Magnetawan River Committee initiative, and to two businesses seeking funding opportunities; the Hotel Needs Assessment is now complete; the Time is Money business event was a success and future business development workshops are in preparation; the CEDO is pursing networking opportunities pursuant to the strategic priority of agricultural development.

# Public Works

A written report was submitted with the following updates: The culvert steamer has been tested and repaired. Staff were directed to add this item to the asset management plan to be replaced within the next two years. The Lead Hand and one Equipment Operator will be attending training this spring. Superior Road Products included a feature on the Reclaimed Asphalt treatment of Old Nipissing Road. The Lead Hand submitted an incident report regarding the 09 Truck and the Council Spring Road tour was scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup>.

The Treasurer and Lead Hand reviewed a staff report with recommendations for road projects for 2017. Council directed staff to amend the list and proceed with budgeting.

### **Deputy Clerk**

Policy Review: Staff reviewed the procedure for a recorded vote and Council discussed possible revisions to include when the procedural by-law is updated.

Council adopted a resolution describing the use of a donation from the Stableford Estate to the Burk's Falls District Fire Department and adopted the Armour, Ryerson and Burk's Falls Memorial Arena and Community Centre Comfort Station Policy 2017 as presented (resolutions).

# Clerk

Council reminder to submit Expense Forms; staff and Councillors were authorized to attend the 2017 Northeastern Ontario Planning Workshop (resolution).

# **SHARED SERVICES**

Council discussed the options presented by Armour at the Tri-Council meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> and identified several issues requiring further clarification and discussion. Staff were directed to contact Burk's Falls staff for more information and to schedule a special meeting to discuss shared services.

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Patrick Birnie, Owner/Director Arrowhead Camp being a letter of proposal for Camp Big Doe
- Superior Road Products, Road Preservation Journal 2016, Issue #1 being a case study highlighting RAP project in Ryerson

# **BY-LAWS**

- By-law #14-17, being a by-law to authorize the Township to enter into an agreement with the MNRF for Forest Fire Management
- By-law #15-17, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Weddel whereas a generous donation to the Burks Falls and District Fire Department has been received from the estate of Ron Stableford, long-time resident of Ryerson Township, and Whereas Council of the Township of Ryerson has put the funds into a Burks Falls and District Fire Department Reserve Account; Now therefore be it resolved that this donation be reserved for the sole use of the Fire Department to be used for a special capital item as recommended by the Fire Department; And Further that the donor be recognized by a permanent plaque at the time the funds are expended. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that as part of the Emergency Management Program, the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson adopt the Armour, Ryerson and Burk's Falls Memorial Arena and Community Comfort Station Policy 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize Glenn Miller, Barb Marlow, Judy Kosowan, and Leanne Fetterley to attend the 2017 Northeastern Ontario Planning Workshop in Sudbury, September 12-13. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that:

- 1. Big Doe Camp is zoned as Tourist Commercial in By-law 56-14.
- 2. The way in which the camp was operated historically by its present owner fits the definition of "Tourist Establishment" within the said bylaw and does not fit the definition of either a "Camp Establishment" or a "Tent and Trailer Park" within the by-law.
- 3. In the event of any future development of this site it shall be subject to a Site Plan Control Agreement. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #14-17, being a By-law to authorize the Township to enter into an agreement with the MNRF for Forest Fire Management; That By-Law #14-17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 21st day of March, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Weddel be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #15-17, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #15-17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 21st day of March, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel that we do now adjourn at 10:56 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by Glenn Miller
REEVE
Original signed by Leanne Fetterley
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