## CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 5, 2017

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

September 8, 1964: Moved by Todd, seconded by Johnston, that we join the Magnetawan River & Lakes Tourist Association Fee \$15.00. Carried.

The beautiful Magnetawan River winds its way through Ryerson Township, connecting Burk's Falls to Magnetawan. This waterway was an integral part of life for the First Nations people and later played an important role in the development of our region by facilitating travel, industry, and tourism.

Today, recognizing the value of the river remains a priority. Local Municipalities, organizations, and citizens are joining together to create a new **Magnetawan River Park Committee** to identify opportunities for recreation and to ensure stewardship of this important resource.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held at the Municipal Office Tuesday evening September 5, 2017. Reeve Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Reeve Glenn Miller, Councillors Barbara Marlow, Doug Weddel, Rosalind Hall and George Sterling.

Staff in attendance: Dave McNay, Larry Robinson, Leanne Fetterley and Judy Kosowan.

Delegations & Guests in attendance: Grace Pasceri (Sky Solar), Paul Van Dam, and 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 Tri-Council meeting May 29, 2017 and the Public Meeting for a Road Closing and the Regular meeting August 22, 2017 and the Special Tri-Council meeting August 24, 2017 were adopted as circulated on a motion moved by Councillor Sterling and seconded by Councillor Hall. (Carried)

# **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Reeve Glenn Miller and Councillor Weddel declared pecuniary interest with respect to item 4.1 (Sky Solar delegation) and item 7.1 (Sky Solar correspondence).

# **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Reeve Miller and Councillor Weddel noted their pecuniary interest and left the room. Deputy Reeve Barbara Marlow chaired this portion of the meeting.

Grace Pasceri, Sky Solar, presented a request to amend the site plan to relocate a set of panels to the adjacent property to be located away from Hwy 520 behind the hedgerow. A previous proposed site plan was reviewed (Option A) as well as the current proposed site plan (Option B).

Ms. Pasceri also proposed that a consultant could be provided to assist with the Township's review of the Renewable Energy Approval Documents in order to

shorten the review period. Members of Council asked for several points of clarification and requested that Ms. Pasceri provide additional information.

Reeve Miller and Councillor Weddel returned at 7:50 p.m. and Reeve Miller assumed the Chair.

# **DELEGATIONS** (none registered)

## **STAFF REPORTS**

# Fire Department

Chief McNay reviewed his written report including updates on live fire training, equipment and fire hall maintenance, request from the Fall Fair, and succession planning for the Deputy Chief role.

A written report recommending the replacement of Tanker 1 was presented by Chief McNay and Deputy Chief Robinson.

Council supported the renewal of the Fire Training Officer contract (resolution below).

#### **Public Works**

A written report from the Lead Hand including updates on project scheduling, beaver monitoring, Rosskopff Road, Scott Drive repairs, and winter sand was submitted to Council.

#### Deputy Clerk

Verbal updates were provided on the following topics: correspondence from Justin Martin, Harvest Festival; emergency management compliance; and the upcoming presentation by Doug Griffiths.

# Clerk's Report

The Clerk submitted the monthly bank balances and provided a verbal update on contracts of cleaning/gardening and cemetery parks maintenance. Council approved a request for election training for staff (resolution below).

## **PLANNING**

Sky Solar Correspondence: This item was deferred until information requested is received.

# **SHARED SERVICES**

There was a discussion about the special landfill meeting on August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and the correspondence from Armour Township indicating that the stationary compaction unit for recycling will be purchased. Staff directed to prepare correspondence to be forwarded to Armour Township.

# **COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

MAHST: Reeve Miller and Deputy Reeve Marlow reported on the August 29, 2017 Muskoka and Area Health System Transformation Meeting. The proposed models were reviewed.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS**

- Village of Burks Falls and Nieves Guijarro re: Community Hub Development
- Township of Oro-Medonte: request to support a resolution regarding Ontario's Wildlife Damage Compensation Program (resolution)
- District of Parry Sound Municipal Association meeting registration (resolution)

- AMO Report to Members and Waste Free Ontario Act
- Muskoka Algonquin Health Care: Up-date on Capital Plan Development
- Ministry of Municipal Affairs re: Municipal GHG Challenge Fund and Municipal Guide for Facilitating Affordable Housing
- Community Economic Development Officer written report re: Townfolio 3 year Subscription Rationale

## **BY-LAWS**

- By-law #38-17, being a by-law to enter into an agreement for an Engineer of Record
- By-law #39-17, being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Sterling, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports the recommendation from the Regional Fire Service Committee to renew the contract with Gary Courtice to provide Fire Training Services for another three year term starting January 1, 2018, as outlined in the draft agreement. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Hall, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize Judy Edwards, Donna Reid and Judy Kosowan to attend municipal election training on October 10, 2017 in North Bay and further that the municipal office be closed October 10, 2017 for staff training. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel, be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson support the resolution received from the Township of Oro-Medonte regarding Ontario's Wildlife Damage Compensation Program requesting the Province to expand evidence requirements and to rely more heavily on the opinions of the Municipal Investigator. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Sterling, seconded by Councillor Marlow, be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize: Rosalind Hall, George Sterling, Glenn Miller, Barbara Marlow, Leanne Fetterley and Judy Kosowan to attend the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association meeting Friday September 29, 2017 in McKellar. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #38-17, being a By-law to enter into an agreement for the provision of engineering services and further; That By-Law #38-17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 5th day of September, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Marlow, seconded by Councillor Weddel, be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #39 -17, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #39 -17 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 5th day of September, 2017. (Carried)

Moved by Councillor Weddel, seconded by Councillor Marlow that we do now adjourn at 9:37 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original signed by Glenn Miller
REEVE
Original signed by Leanne Fetterley
DEPUTY CLERK