

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
December 1, 2015

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens; Councillors Anthony Leek and Michael Loney; CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Foster.

Absent: Councillors Scott Kinnear & Michelle Marinaro.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof: None.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, December 1, 2015.
CARRIED.

2. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that the November 17, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED.

3. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent and Ed Bullied, Deputy Public Works Superintendent (from November 18, 2015 to December 1, 2015), as submitted.
CARRIED.

4. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to snowplow Meadow Street to the entrance of SCAP school.
CARRIED.

5. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby declare the following as surplus land:

Part 6 to 10, being road allowance running through property described as Part Lot 20 and Lots 21 to 24, River Range, Township of Lash;

And further, that notice be given to the public by advertising in the municipal newsletter and for one week in the Fort Frances Times.

CARRIED.

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6. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase two refurbished air packs for the Emo Fire Department for an approximate fee of \$1,800.00 each plus HST and shipping.

CARRIED.

7. **Loney – Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase a turkey or ham for Township of Emo employees, in lieu of a Christmas dinner.

CARRIED.

8. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby award Tender No. 2015-04 for painting of the play area, at Emo Toy Library/Resource Centre to Xpressions In Colour/Jessica Marissen, in the amount of \$2,825.00 (HST included); and further, we hereby authorize a deposit in the amount of \$750.00 upon approval of tender.

CARRIED.

9. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve General Financial Statement to October 31, 2015, as submitted.

CARRIED.

10. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to December 31, 2015.

CARRIED.

11. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to December 31, 2015:

- Emo-LaVallee Community Centre
- Emo Recreation Council
- Emo Cemetery
- Emo Parks
- Emo Toy Library/Resource Centre

CARRIED.

12. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to reimburse PD Craft Day fee in the amount of \$20.00, due to not attending.

CARRIED.

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13. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's Amended Property Assessment Notices/Farm Property Classifications, as follows:
- Assessment Roll #49300, from \$107,250.00 (RT) to \$75,000.00 (RT), for the year 2015;
 - Assessment Roll #40500, from \$207,000.00 (CT) to \$168,000.00 (CT), for the year 2015;
 - Assessment Roll #56405, from \$173,066.00 (RT) to \$43,107.00 (FT) and \$128,959.00 (RT) for a total of \$172,066.00, for the year 2015;
 - Assessment Roll #55500, from \$113,500.00 (RT) to \$49,582.00 (FT) and \$62,869.00 (RT) for a total of \$112,451.00, for the year 2015.

CARRIED.

14. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept letter from Karen Kuitunen pertaining to burnt out streetlights; and further, to notify her the streetlights are in the process of being replaced.

CARRIED.

15. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase two 60x60cm *Deaf Blind Child at Play* sign from Airmaster Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$50.20 each, plus HST, as per quotation dated November 2, 2015.

CARRIED.

16. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$1,639.07 including HST, being payment for Engineering Services to October 15, 2015.

CARRIED.

17. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Council to the Rainy River District Municipal Association's Annual General Meeting scheduled January 30, 2016 in Bergland, ON; and further, to donate \$50.00 and a door prize for this event.

CARRIED.

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18. **Leek – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera 7:05 p.m. for the following reasons:

- Security of property;
- Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees;
- Proposed or pending acquisitions or disposition of real property;
- Labour relations and employee negotiations;
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matter before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board;
- Advice subject to a solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- Any matter with respect to which a council, local board or committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under any other statute;
- Consideration of a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED.

19. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 7:18 p.m.

CARRIED.

20. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Wilma Esselink to the Walking Trail Committee, effective December 1, 2015.

CARRIED.

21. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from November 17, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes: None.
Business arising from November 17, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Add-Ons:

1. Reimbursement of PD Craft Day fee.

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1. Request for reimbursement of PD Craft Day.

Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, attended the meeting to provide an update, as follows:

- Installed a new culvert on Hornal Road;
- The culvert on Emo Road, near Everett Road, has been cleaned out – this has repaired the water problem for now; however, this culvert will need to be replaced in 2016;
- Christmas tree and lights have been put up on Front Street for Holly Daze;
- The new snowplow has been delivered and is working well;
- Due to high traffic volume, resulting from maintenance being performed on Hwy 602, higher maintenance is required on Fisher and Alysworth Road. The maintenance to the culvert at Lyons Creek has been halted, due to high water; however, the water is coming down and work is expected to commence again in approximately one week. The expected completion date, if the project commences within a week, is January 31, 2016;
- Travis McCormick has commenced training at the Water Treatment Plant.

There was a request to have Jewell and O'Neill Road maintained in both the summer and winter months, as these roads are currently being maintained by property owners. Peter McQuaker agreed to speak with the property owners using this road, to determine the maintenance requirements.

Council discussed the Senior of the Year Award and agreed to arrange a time to present this award with possibly cake during coffee time at the Golden Age Manor.

Council requested all future programs hosted by the Township of Emo, have a clause on the registrations, stating reimbursements will not be given.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.