

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
February 10, 2015

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens, Councillors Anthony Leek, Michael Loney and Michelle Marinaro; Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Bridget Beck; Public Works Sup't, Peter McQuaker.

Absent: Scott Kinnear.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda as amended for Tuesday, February 10, 2015. CARRIED.

2. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that the January 27, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED.

3. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to February 10, 2015. CARRIED.

4. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to February 10, 2015:

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

5. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent and Ed Bullied, Deputy Public Works Superintendent (from January 27, 2015 to February 10, 2015), as reported.

CARRIED.

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6. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 6:55 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.

7. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 7:05 p.m.

CARRIED.

8. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Draft General Financial Statement to December 31, 2014, as submitted.

CARRIED.

9. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to request Rainy River Future Development Corporation to assist the Township of Emo with the implementation of an updated Strategic Plan.

CARRIED.

10. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to participate in the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's (MTO) consultation on Ontario's Default Speed Limit, by completing and submitting reply form by February 27, 2015.

CARRIED.

11. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the following reports as submitted by Ed Bullied, Water & Sewer Operator:

- 2014 Emo Water Treatment Plant Compliance Report;
- 2014 Emo Sewage Facilities Annual Report;
- 2014 Drinking Water Annual Report.

CARRIED.

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12. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates for Engineering Services to January 8, 2015, in the amount of \$21,244.48, including HST.
CARRIED.
13. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board, in the amount of \$20,535.13, being February 2015 levy.
CARRIED.
14. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Bridget Beck to AMCTO 2015 Zone 9 Spring Meeting to be held April 21-22, 2015 in Thunder Bay, ON. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.
CARRIED.
15. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make application to the 2015 Summer Experience Program (SEP) grant program for funding assistance to hire two (2) students at a wage of \$11.00 each.
CARRIED.
16. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve speed limit signs and school zone signs placed along Meadow Street in the Meadowlands of Emo Subdivision, upon inspection by Public Works Department.
CARRIED.
17. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire Derksen Professional Corporation to transfer four properties – Roll #'s 70702, 70505, 70805 & 70704 from Township of Emo to purchaser as per By-law 2011-15, total estimated fee of \$2,700.00, including HST.
CARRIED.
18. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to proclaim April 2, 2015 as World Autism Awareness Day.
CARRIED.
19. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge letter of concern from Grant and Jill Pedneault.
CARRIED.

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20. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 8:55 p.m. for the following reasons:

- Security of property;
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- Consideration of a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED.

21. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 9:49 p.m.

CARRIED.

22. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to appoint the following person to the Emo-LaVallee Community Centre Board: Shane McDonald

CARRIED.

23. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to appoint the following person to the Emo Toy Library Resource Centre Board: Margaret Heyens

CARRIED.

24. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to extend Dennis Mann's garbage collection contract with the Township of Emo to December 31, 2015.

CARRIED.

25. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from January 27, 2015 Regular Council minutes: None.
Business arising from January 27, 2015 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

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- Peter has been recommended by Cummins Western Canada to ensure the generator located at the OPP Station be started up once a month.

Bill Darby, Steve Loshaw and Geoff Gillon, from the Rainy River District Regional Abattoir attended the meeting to discuss the challenges the abattoir is currently facing and to request Council consider reducing the industrial tax rate, as it is substantially higher than the commercial tax rate.

Council received a request from Randy Cooke to be informed of the discussions from the December 8, 2014 closed meeting of Council. As the information requested was information from a meeting that was closed to the public, the request was denied.

Council requested be contacted and requested to incorporate both the generator located at the Water Treatment Plant and the OPP Station into one agreement, with the possibility of obtaining a better price.

Council requested Public Works Department inspect the street signs placed by Ted Kaemingh, along Meadow Street, to ensure they are properly located.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.