

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
November 29, 2016

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

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

Absent: Scott Kinnear.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, November 29, 2016.

CARRIED.

2. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that the November 3, 2016 Special Council Meeting, November 15, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and November 23, 2016 Special Council Meeting minutes, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, Ed Bullied, Deputy Public Works Superintendent and Bridget Foster, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer (from October 26, 2016 to November 15, 2016), as submitted.

CARRIED.

4. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to set the following canteen rental fee at the Emo Curling Rink:

- \$75.00/month, plus HST

CARRIED.

5. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Allen Kinnear and Ashley Siemens to the Emo Fire Department, effective November 29, 2016, as per recommendation from Joshua Colling, Fire Chief.

CARRIED.

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6. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to November 29, 2016.

CARRIED.

7. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to November 29, 2016:

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

CARRIED.

8. **Shortreed - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept quotation from A.J. Stone Co. Ltd. in the amount of \$4,925.00 plus HST, for hose and valve replacements for the Emo Fire Department.

CARRIED.

9. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Bay City Contracting (Thunder Bay) Inc. in the amount of \$170,060.19 including HST, being Payment Certificate No. 3, on the Township of Emo East End Watermain Expansion Project.

CARRIED.

10. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$30,692.45, including HST, being payment for engineering services to October 27, 2016.

CARRIED.

11. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby release funds in the amount of \$52,560.00 from Letter of Credit issued by T.J. Kaemingh & Sons Ltd. to the Township of Emo, being the paving portion, as per Condition 5 of Consent to Sever Application C-16-001, less 10% holdback; And further, the 10% holdback in the amount of \$5,840.00 will be held for a period of one year for warranty purposes and will be released on October 25, 2017, pending a favourable inspection of the asphalt on Spruce Drive, following Ontario Provincial Standards.

CARRIED.

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12. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept notice from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to extend Property Assessment Information Licence Agreement.

CARRIED.

13. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge letter submitted by Reta Dykstra regarding assessment and tax concerns; and further, these concerns will be addressed during the 2017 budget process.

CARRIED.

14. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge letter submitted by Ed & Dianne Heerema regarding tax concerns; and further, these concerns will be addressed during the 2017 budget process.

CARRIED.

15. **Leek – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Emo supports Bill 9 which states that all stroke victims receive care regardless of their age.

CARRIED.

16. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Emo supports the Township of Madawaska Valley as they call on the Government of Ontario and the Ministry of housing to halt the download of enforcement responsibility for residential rental maintenance standards proposed in Schedule 5 of Bill 7, in light of the significant fiscal challenge each municipality will face to provide this service to the public in a cost-effective manner.

CARRIED.

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17. **Shortreed – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 7:35 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.

18. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 8:10 p.m.

CARRIED.

19. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from November 3, 2016 Special Council Meeting, November 15, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and November 23, 2016 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Business arising from November 3, 2016 Special Council Meeting, November 15, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and November 23, 2016 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

An agreement will be drafted with the terms and conditions of the canteen operations at the Emo Curling Rink. To be included in the agreement will be completion of WHMIS, Worker Health and Safety Awareness and Safe Food Handling Course, along with obtaining a minimum \$1,000,000.00 liability insurance.

Council requested a quotation to replace a railway crossing with arms be obtained prior to proceeding with application to Safety-Related Infrastructure Improvements and Technology Implementation.

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In response to concerns from taxpayers regarding the services they receive, Council has requested information on the various services that are included in the Township of Emo budget be inserted into the next municipal newsletter.

The meeting adjourned 8:12 p.m.

Attested by:

Jack Siemens,
Mayor

Bridget Foster,
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer