

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
November 3, 2015

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Councillor 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, November 3, 2015.
CARRIED.
2. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that the October 20, 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 (from October 21, 2015 to November 3, 2015), as submitted.
CARRIED.
4. **Kinnear - 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

CARRIED.
5. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the following Emo Municipal Office Christmas Holiday hours:
 - Closed December 24-28, 2015 and to reopen on December 29 and 30, 2015;
 - Closed December 31, 2015 & January 1, 2016 and re-open January 4, 2016.CARRIED.

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6. **Loney - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED we agree to pass a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 2013-06 which regulates the use of land and the character, location and use of the buildings and structures in the Township of Emo, pertaining to the following properties:

- To rezone all Residential 4 (R4) Zone properties to Residential 1 (R1) Zone.

CARRIED.

7. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-Law No. 2015-18** being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 2013-06 which regulates the use of land and the character, location and use of the buildings and structures in the Township of Emo, pertaining to the following properties:

- To rezone all Residential 4 (R4) Zone properties to Residential 1 (R1) Zone.

Be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

8. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Remembrance Day wreaths be placed during the Emo Remembrance Day Ceremony scheduled on November 11, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at the Emo Cenotaph, by the following:

Township of Emo - Mayor/Council
Emo Toy Library – Emo Toy Library Representative
Emo-LaVallee Community Centre – Emo-LaVallee Community Centre Representative

CARRIED.

9. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to November 3, 2015.

CARRIED.

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10. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to November 3, 2015:

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

CARRIED.

11. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby give permission to Asselin Transportation & Storage to access an additional 11,000 gallons/day @ \$0.10/gallon from the Emo Municipal Garage and to dump sewage for a one time fee of approximately \$900.00, along with \$25.00/1000 gallon, during the estimated period of April, 2016 to August, 2016.

CARRIED.

12. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept revised payment certificate recommendation (No.6R) payable to Makkinga Contracting and Equipment Rentals for the Front Street & Canning Lane Watermain Expansion Project in the amount of \$260,181.42 including HST, being payment of 8% of the 10% mandatory holdback.

CARRIED.

13. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support the Board of Health's resolution as follows:

WHEREAS tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death and disability in Canada, accounting for the deaths of approximately 13,000 people in Ontario alone each year; and

WHEREAS second-hand smoke kills 1,000 children annually; and

WHEREAS approximately one-third of Ontarians living in multi-unit housing (MUH) report regular exposure to second hand smoke that originates in neighbouring units, and 80% would choose a smoke-free building if the choice existed; and

WHEREAS Ontarians spend most of their time at home, and it is the environment where exposure continues to be reported; and

WHEREAS indoor air studies show that, depending on the age and construction of a building, up to 65% of air on a private residence can come from elsewhere in the building and no one should be unwillingly exposed or forced to move due to unwanted second-hand smoke exposure; and

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WHEREAS second-hand smoke in multi-unit housing can lead to third-hand tobacco exposure as semi-volatile and volatile organic chemicals like nicotine and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (carcinogens, also known as PAHs) are oily or waxy and more likely to stick to surfaces than be removed by ventilation; and

WHEREAS 5.6% of residents age 12 and up in the Northwestern Health Unit catchment area are exposed to second-hand smoke in their home; and

WHEREAS 36.1% of residents who live in multi-unit housing in the Northwest Tobacco Control Area Network report tobacco smoke entering their home in the past 6 months.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for the Northwestern Health take the following actions to reduce exposure to second-hand smoke in multi-unit dwellings:

1. Encourage all landlords and property owners of multi-unit housing to voluntarily adopt no-smoking policies in their rental units or properties.
2. Encourage public/social housing providers to voluntarily adopt no-smoking policies in their units and/or properties.
3. Encourage the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to develop government policy and programs to facilitate the provision of smoke-free housing; including:
 - a) Ensuring all future private sector rental properties and buildings developed in Ontario should be smoke-free from the onset;
 - b) Ensuring all future public/social housing developments in Ontario should be smoke-free from the onset.

FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Smoke-Free Ontario Housing Coalition, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Chief Medical Officer of Health, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies, all Ontario Boards of Health, the Kenora District Services Board, the Rainy River District Social Services and Administration Board, and Northwestern Health Unit obligated municipalities for their information and support.

CARRIED.

14. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve General Financial Statement to September 30, 2015, as submitted.

CARRIED.

15. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$1,923.92 including HST, being payment for Engineering Services to October 1, 2015.

CARRIED.

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16. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board in the amount of \$22,196.77, being payment for November, 2015 Levy.

CARRIED.

17. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera 8:00 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 - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 8:24 p.m.

CARRIED.

19. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to advertise the vacant Assistant Program Coordinator position in the municipal newsletter and website, with all resumes to be submitted by November 16, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

20. **Loney - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

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Errors or Omissions from October 20, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Business arising from October 20, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Add-Ons:

1. Request from Asselin Transportation to access additional water in the amount of 11,000 gallons, along with sewage in the amount of 11,000, for the period of April, 2016 to August, 2016, approximately;
2. Verbal request from the Ministry of the Environment to place dustfall jars along Highway 11.

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

- The transfer switch for the generator at the O.P.P. Station is not working properly. Jack Wielinga has taken the manuals in order to determine a solution to have this repaired, as the transfer switch is not activating the generator;
- The amount of rain we have received over the last week has left the roads in need of repair. Once the rain has subsided, grading will resume in order to repair the roads;
- A culvert on Emo Road is in need of replacement, due to water not draining properly and affecting the road. This will need to be completed this fall;
- The landfill site requires pushing; however, this is not possible right now, due to the area being wet from all the precipitation we have received. This will be completed once the ground dries;
- The plow truck has not been delivered; however, is anticipated to arrive mid-November – *Council has requested the old plow truck not be used, as the grader should be sufficient in November.*

Harrold Boven attended the meeting to discuss the railway crossings in Emo without arms. Harrold noted he has been to Council previously to request arms at all crossings in Emo; however, due to the high cost of these arm, have not made this possible. Harrold noted there is possible funding available to cover a portion of this cost through Transport Canada. He would like to establish a committee that could work towards getting awareness to Canadian National Railway and getting arms installed at the crossings in Emo. Once Harrold has obtained members for this committee, he will notify Council. It was noted the previous local MP, John Rafferty, had worked on getting assistance for municipalities to obtain arms at railway crossings. Anthony Leek agreed to look into what development occurred from his efforts.

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Discussion was held regarding the request from Asselin Transportation for purchasing additional 11,000 gallons of water, along with 11,000 gallons of sewage for the period of April, 2016 to August, 2016, approximately. The Water and Sewer Department has determined we have the water and sewer capacity to allow this request and a special attachment to the manhole, with a filter, is required to prepare our sewage manhole for this type of sewage disposal. Council has requested a water meter be installed on the water dispenser inside of the Municipal Garage, where water is to be accessed.

Anthony Leek looked into a glass crusher for the Township of Emo and contacted other municipalities to determine what they do with the glass once it has been crushed; however, he was informed once the glass has been crushed there isn't a place for the glass to go, except to be used for fill.

Council agreed to the Ministry of Environment's request to place dustfall jars along Highway 11 in Emo.

Council has requested the flagpoles, previously purchased and being stored at the Municipal Garage, be installed on township property on Highway 11, adjacent to the Emo Food Bank. Council also requested additional Township of Emo flags be purchased next year to be put up along Highway 11, along with the Canadian flags.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.