

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
October 11, 2016

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Shortreed - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 11, 2016.

CARRIED.

2. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that the September 27, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and October 4, 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 and Ed Bullied, Deputy Public Works Superintendent (from September 28, 2016 to October 11, 2016), as submitted.

CARRIED.

4. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to write-off penalty on the following utility accounts, due to failure to receive banking notification:

Account #0375 in the amount of \$2.01

Account #0218 in the amount of \$2.01

Account #0030 in the amount of \$2.01

CARRIED.

5. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to October 11, 2016.

CARRIED.

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6. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to October 11, 2016:

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

CARRIED.

7. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Tom Veert Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$57,273.68, including HST, being Construction Payment Certificate No. 11 - Release of Holdback, on the Township of Emo Watermain Expansion Project.

CARRIED.

8. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$36,970.20, including HST, being payment for engineering services to September 1, 2016.

CARRIED.

9. **Kinnear – Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to place the following advertisement in the Royal Canadian Legion Manitoba/NW Ontario Command “Military Service Recognition Book”:

1/10 Page (business card full colour) \$214.29, plus HST

CARRIED.

10. **Kinnear - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Dennis Mann in the amount of \$15,953.52, being HST for the years 2013-2015.

CARRIED.

11. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board in the amount of \$23,971.19, being October, 2016 levy.

CARRIED.

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12. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Fire Report 2016-07 prepared by Joshua Colling, Fire Chief, as submitted.

CARRIED.

13. **Leek - Loney:** IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept application made under Section received from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, for write-off for the tax year 2015 and 2016, as follows:

- Assessment Roll #14500, from \$178,500 (RT) to \$150,750 (RT), effective September 1, 2015, for the 2015 tax year;
- Assessment Roll #14500, from \$393,000 (RT) to \$367,000 (RT), effective May 26, 2016, for the 2016 tax year.

CARRIED.

14. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support Randy Pettapiece, MPP, Perth-Wellington, in his efforts to develop a bill to mandate the use of a truss and lightweight construction identification system.

CARRIED.

15. **Leek - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support the Town of Aurora as they endorse the following recommendation in Report No. CS16-020-Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) Reform Update:

That the jurisdiction of the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) be limited to questions of law or process and, specifically, when considering appeals, that the OMB be required to uphold any planning decision(s) of municipal councils unless said decisions(s) is contrary to the processes and rules set out in legislation

CARRIED.

16. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan in their efforts to request the Province to amend its policy on Intensive Therapy Funding/Services for Children with Autism as follows:

- to allow all children on waiting list to receive the Intensive Behavioral Intervention (IBI) services promised to them;
- remove the age limit for IBI therapy and replace it with a program that provides ongoing IBI services based on need and individual development, not age;
- ensure oversight by professionals and parents based in “development progress” criteria and milestones; and
- adopt a direct funding offering model in lieu of current direct service offering

CARRIED.

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17. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support the Township of Madawaska Valley's resolution, supporting the changes to the parole system proposed in the Private Member's Bill put forward by the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke, and submitted as Bill 21, An Act to amend the Ministry of Correctional Services Act in respect of parole.

CARRIED.

18. **Shortreed - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Bay City Contractors in the amount of \$195,781.91, including HST, being Construction Payment Certificate No. 2, on the Township of Emo East End Watermain Expansion Project.

CARRIED.

19. **Shortreed – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 9:32 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.

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

CARRIED.

21. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire the following Canteen Attendants at the Emo-LaVallee Community Centre, at the approved salary range:

Maverick Smith
Pasquel Shortreed
Garrett Hyatt
Sydney Beck

CARRIED.

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22. **Shortreed - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from September 27, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and October 4, 2016 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Business arising from September 27, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and October 4, 2016 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Tabled items:

- purchase of utility locator – clarification on the purpose of the locator;
- Cell phone plan – need more information on costs.

Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, attended the meeting to discuss the following:

- ongoing grading is taking place;
- have replaced some culverts within the Township of Emo;
- sidewalk repairs along Highway 602 have commenced;
- recommending some resurfacing to Emo Road and Colonization Street in 2017, along with replacement of large culverts on Stewart Road and culverts on Emo Road.

Council has requested the sewage dumping station on Byng Street be accessed by sewage trucks via Adelaide Street rather than Kitchener Street, as it should be better able to withstand the heavy traffic.

Grant Meyers, from the Emo Curling Club, attended the meeting to discuss Curling Rink operations for the 2016/2017 season, as follows:

- anticipates eight teams for sure; however, hopefully twelve teams;
- curling start date is November 7, 2016, with one night a week of curling;
- food is not being offered during curling;
- requested Cimco Refrigeration be contacted to start up the ice plant;
- Township of Emo can advertise for additional curlers.

Jurgen Schmutz, from the Emo Adhoc Railway Committee, attended the meeting to discuss the new grade crossing program that would provide the Township of Emo with funding to upgrade the crossings in Emo. The deadline for this funding is November 28, 2016. Upon review of the questions this application may require the assistance of an engineer. The November 28, 2016 deadline date will be confirmed to determine the length of time to complete the application.

Council requested clarification on who is responsible to pay invoice received for backhoe rental during a house fire.

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Council requested additional information on the Clean Water Wastewater Fund program, in order to determine whether the Canning Lane Project would qualify.

The meeting adjourned 10:05 p.m.

Attested by:

Jack Siemens,
Mayor

Bridget Foster,
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer