

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**September 3, 2019**

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Harold McQuaker, Councillors Harrold Boven, Lincoln Dunn, Lori Ann Shortreed and Warren Toles; CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Foster.

Absent: None.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **Dunn - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, September 3, 2019.  

CARRIED.
2. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that the July 23, 2019 Consent Granting Meeting and August 14, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes, be adopted as circulated.  

CARRIED.
3. **Shortreed - Dunn:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, Bridget Foster, CAO (from August 15, 2019 to September 3, 2019).  

CARRIED.
4. **Toles - Dunn:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to authorize the speed limits on municipal roads within the Township of Emo.  

CARRIED.
5. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2019-21**, being a by-law to authorize the speed limits on municipal roads within the Township of Emo, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.  

CARRIED.
6. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby write-off dog tag tax in the amount of \$20.00 on Assessment Roll #00950, for the years 2018 & 2019, due to error.  

CARRIED.

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7. **Dunn – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the following 2019 third quarter School Board payments:

- Public School Board: \$56,744.89
- Separate School Board: \$ 5,060.90

CARRIED.

8. **Shortreed – Boven:** Whereas all Municipalities are required by legislation to create and submit a Community Safety and Wellness Plan by January 1, 2021;  
Whereas the Rainy River District Social Services Administration (RRDSSAB) was requested by two of the member municipalities to consider developing a district wide plan incorporating all ten municipalities;  
Whereas the Board of Directors of the RRDSSAB supported the resolution to create a district plan;  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Emo supports the development of a Rainy River District Community Safety and Wellness Plan with appendices identifying special circumstances for each of the ten municipalities, at a total cost not to exceed \$60,000 without further municipal approval; and  
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the costs of creating the Plan be shared between the municipalities using the RRDSSAB Cost Apportionment Formula of 2019, with the RRDSSAB assuming the TWOMO Share as part of its global 2020 Budget Allocation;  
AND FURTHERMORE, that the municipalities will be represented by their current RRDSSAB appointed member and each municipality will make available space/facility and administrative support as is necessary to provide required public consultation.

CARRIED.

9. **Toles – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to proceed with walking trail to be located at the Emo Sports Field, commencing at the entrance to the Emo Sports Field running south along the property for approximately 300 metres;  
And further, this trail will be constructed with donated material and labour.

CARRIED.

10. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby set a fee of \$500.00, being cost of destruction of municipal property on water meters.

CARRIED.

11. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to September 3, 2019.

CARRIED.

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12. **Dunn - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to September 3, 2019:

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

CARRIED.

13. **Boven - Dunn:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into a lease extension and amending agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Emo and Her Majesty the Queen in the Right of Ontario as Represented by the Minister of Government and Consumer Services (OPP Station).

CARRIED.

14. **Shortreed - Toles:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2019-22**, being pass a by-law to enter into a lease extension and amending agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Emo and Her Majesty the Queen in the Right of Ontario as Represented by the Minister of Government and Consumer Services (OPP Station), be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

15. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge letter from Gaydonna Baker regarding the potential safety issues at the abandoned house on Queen Street.

CARRIED.

16. **Dunn - Toles:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Emo hereby received correspondence from the Township of Papineau-Cameron and Township of Lake of Bays regarding amalgamation of municipalities;  
AND THAT Council endorses and supports the Township of Papineau-Cameron and Township of Lake of Bays with respect to municipal amalgamation;  
AND FURTHER THAT before the Provincial Government forces amalgamation in any of the 444 municipalities in Ontario, our AMO organization go beyond requesting “consultation” and “demand” that the Provincial Government do the following:

1. Hold a local referendum letting the citizens decide to amalgamate or not.
2. Conduct an evidence based study to show that amalgamation actually saves costs, jobs, lowers taxes and reduce the provincial deficit.
3. Allow those municipalities to work out their own local collaborative agreement that best suit their needs and to be permitted to do so, on their own time line and volition.
4. To ensure that there is absolutely no conflict of interest in this consultative process.
5. To emphasize the political reality of forcing amalgamation on the many rural and northern municipalities across Ontario.

CARRIED.

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17. **Dunn - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 9:13 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:
- Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees.
  - Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED.

18. **Dunn - Toles:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 10:14 p.m.

CARRIED.

19. **Shortreed - Dunn:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on September 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from July 23, 2019 Consent Granting Meeting and August 14, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Business arising from July 23, 2019 Consent Granting Meeting and August 14, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, attended the meeting to present his report.

The meeting adjourned 10:16 p.m.