

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
June 13, 2017

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens, Councillors 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, June 13, 2017.

CARRIED.
2. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that the April 12, 2017 Special Council Meeting, April 18, 2017 Special Council Meeting, May 8, 2017 Special Council Meeting, May 23, 2017 Regular Meeting, May 29, 2017 Special Council Meeting and June 8, 2017 Regular 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 May 24, 2017 to June 13, 2017).

CARRIED.
4. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to reimburse Sylvia Hyatt in the amount of \$3,533.29, being damages caused by two sewage backups in the sewer mainline.

CARRIED.
5. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to establish the tax ratios for the year 2017.

CARRIED.
6. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2017-20**, being a by-law to establish the tax ratios for the year 2017, be read a first, second and third times, be finally passed, signed by Mayor and Council and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

7. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize water shut-offs on accounts four months or more in arrears on Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED.

8. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to the Rainy River District Women's Institute Museum in the amount of \$80.00, being donations collected from the Township of Emo for the museum fundraiser.

CARRIED.

9. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize transfer of \$2,979.00 from general account to Recreation account, being Summer Experience Grant dollars for summer student.

CARRIED.

10. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remove asphalt road restoration of Strachan Drive and Walker/Hannah Street, from the East End Watermain Project, for a credit of \$52,000.00 (B11- \$45,000.00 and D5 - \$7,000.00).

CARRIED.

11. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to June 13, 2017.

CARRIED.

12. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to June 13, 2017:

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

CARRIED.

13. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into an agreement between The Corporation of the Township of Chapple/The Corporation of the Township of Emo/The Corporation of the Township of LaVallee/The Corporation of the Township of Alberton and Joshua Colling to provide Fire Chief Services.

CARRIED.

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

14. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2017-21**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement between The Corporation of the Township of Chapple/The Corporation of the Township of Emo/The Corporation of the Township of LaVallee/The Corporation of the Township of Alberton and Joshua Colling to provide Fire Chief Services, be read a first, second and third times, be finally passed, signed by Mayor and Council and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

15. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to provide the Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society a letter of support toward their modernization project.

CARRIED.

16. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure and The Corporation of the Township of Emo for funding through the Clean Water & Wastewater Fund towards upgrade to Roy Street lift station and upgrade to existing Water Treatment Plant raw water lift pumps.

CARRIED.

17. **Shortreed – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2017-22**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure and The Corporation of the Township of Emo for funding through the Clean Water & Wastewater Fund towards upgrade to Roy Street lift station and upgrade to existing Water Treatment Plant raw water lift pumps, be read a first, second and third times, be finally passed, signed by Mayor and Council and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

18. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Minutes of Settlement Results of Request for Reconsideration received from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, for write-off, as follows:

- Assessment Roll #58000, from \$325,750 (RT) to \$304,500 (RT), effective January 1, 2017, for the year 2017;
- Assessment Roll #53745, from \$60,000 (RT) to \$54,000 (RT), effective January 1, 2016; and from \$545,750 (RT) to \$519,250 (RT).

CARRIED.

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

19. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve request from Emo Feed Service Ltd. to operate an Agrichemical Warehousing Standards Association (AWSA) Certified Chemical Storage Warehouse.

CARRIED.

20. **Shortreed – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send a representative to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board's Early Years Community Consultation held June 15 & June 28, 2017 at the Emo-LaVallee Community Centre.

CARRIED.

21. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby to place an ad in the Fort Frances Times to Congratulate the Graduating Class of 2017, for a fee of \$90.00 + HST, as per quotation provided.

CARRIED.

22. **Shortreed – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 9:15 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.

23. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 9:50 p.m.

CARRIED.

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

June 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes Cont'd:

24. **Shortreed – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire the following summer students:

Janelle Kaemingh
Jessica Steele
Pasquel Shortreed
Ryan Redford

CARRIED.

25. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Garth Henry as fire fighter on the Emo Fire & Emergency Service, as recommended by Fire Chief Joshua Colling.

CARRIED.

26. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Vernon Thompson as Emo Municipal Councillor.

CARRIED.

27. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from April 12, 2017 Special Council Meeting, April 18, 2017 Special Council Meeting, May 8, 2017 Special Council Meeting, May 23, 2017 Regular Meeting, May 29, 2017 Special Council Meeting and June 8, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Business arising from April 12, 2017 Special Council Meeting, April 18, 2017 Special Council Meeting, May 8, 2017 Special Council Meeting, May 23, 2017 Regular Meeting, May 29, 2017 Special Council Meeting and June 8, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Add-on to agenda:

- Agreement with The Corporation of the Township of Chapple/The Corporation of the Township of Emo/The Corporation of the Township of LaVallee/The Corporation of the Township of Alberton and Joshua Colling to provide Fire Chief Services.

Tabled:

- Concussion Policy;
- Haul & Spread Tender 2017-02.

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

- Calcium has been placed on Off Lake Road;
- Grader is having repairs completed on the air conditioning;
- Plow truck is in Thunder Bay for repairs and is being picked up within the next day.

Joe Bodnar, from Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society, attended the meeting to discuss the plans to construct a new building at the Fair Grounds to accommodate washrooms, four food booths and pavilion. The Exhibition Hall will remain and will be renovated. The Building Committee of the Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society is seeking a letter in support of their project, along with consideration of a donation.

Council discussed required road repairs to Strachan Drive and Hannah Street following the water project in 2016; however, agreed to not have the road repairs with asphalt, as stated in the project. Instead these roads will be rehabilitated with surface treatment in 2018 or be patched with cold mix.

The results of Tender 2017-02 – Haul and Spread of 7,500 cubic yards of gravel is as follows:

- M.L. Judson Trucking Ltd. - \$7.75 per cubic yard, total of \$65,681.25;
- Dennis Robinson Ltd. - \$6.50 per cubic yard, total of \$55,087.50;
- Harold McQuaker Ent. Ltd. - \$8.42 per cubic yard, total of \$71,359.50.

Discussion was held on the results of Tender 2017-02, as tenders were higher than anticipated. Council discussed the possibility of reducing the amount of gravel on rural roads to approximately 6,000 cubic yards with 1,000 cubic yards being reserved for road projects within the urban area and 500 cubic yards being stockpiled for culvert projects. It was agreed to table this decision in order to allow time to contact the contractor of lowest tender to see if 1,000 cubic yards could be hauled later in the season when required for urban roads.

Wendy Judson, from Echo Lake Estates Ltd., attended the meeting to discuss the time frame for the Township of Emo to issue the Final Completion Certificate for Echo Lake Estates Subdivision. It was noted recommendation from the municipal engineer must be reviewed, along with an agreement to be drafted stating all curb stops will be replaced by the developer upon sale of lots.

James Asplund attended the meeting to discuss his property located at 53 Aspen Crescent.

Council requested a sewer maintenance/backup policy be drafted for the Township of Emo.

The meeting adjourned 10:10 p.m.