

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**August 11, 2015**

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens; Councillors Scott Kinnear, Anthony Leek, Michael Loney and Michelle Marinaro; CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Beck; Public Works Sup't. Peter McQuaker.

Absent: None.

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, August 11, 2015.

CARRIED.

2. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that the July 15, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, July 27, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes and August 6, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent (from July 16, 2015 to August 11, 2015), and Bridget Beck, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer (dated August 11, 2015), as submitted.

CARRIED.

4. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED we hereby authorize water shut-offs on all accounts four months or more in arrears on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED.

5. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to install water meters at the following businesses:

- Mel's Well Drilling

CARRIED.

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6. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to increase the water rate when accessing water from the Municipal Garage, from \$0.03/gallon to \$0.10/gallon, effective August 11, 2015.

CARRIED.

7. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make application to The Department of Canadian Heritage 's *Canada 150 Fund* for the following:

- restoration of tennis/basketball courts

CARRIED.

8. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to write-off dog tax in the amount of \$10.13 on Assessment Roll #07600, as the property owner does not have a dog.

CARRIED.

9. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby declare that the emergency related to providing assistance to the Township of Chapple, due to train derailment, is terminated in accordance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990.

CARRIED.

10. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to August 11, 2015.

CARRIED.

11. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to August 11, 2015:

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

CARRIED.

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12. **Kinnear Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire DeGroot Tech to complete the following hail damage repairs:
- Fire Hall/Town Garage Storage Building (building size 52' x 40') – metal roofing and fascia boards, in the amount of \$12,773.52, including HST;
  - Snowmobile Club/Storage Building (36' x 38') – damage to metal roofing and fascia boards in the amount of \$8,099.84, including HST.

CARRIED.

13. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Bridget Beck to AMCTO's Zone 9 Fall Meeting scheduled September 22-23, 2015 in Thunder Bay. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

14. **Kinnear - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize Bridget Beck to enroll in AMCTO's *Parliamentary Meeting Protocol Course*.

CARRIED.

15. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase five pieces of orange high-visibility safety clothing for each employee in the Public Works Department and Water and Sewer Department; to be replaced upon return of damaged shirt to indicate damage/worn.

CARRIED.

16. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Dennis Robinson Ltd. in the amount of \$66,820.58, being payment for Tender No. 2015-01- Crushing & Stockpiling (Contract Price of \$61,924.00 plus overage).

CARRIED.

17. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to Kingdom Construction Ltd. for the Township of Emo Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project, being Contract Payment Certificate No.3, SBA File No. M13031, in the amount of \$130,347.56 including HST, less 10% holdback.

CARRIED.

18. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$20,044.05 including HST, being payment for Engineering Services to July 23, 2015.

CARRIED.

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19. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge letter from Jason & Andrea Smith, pertaining to discoloured water; and further, to table this letter until additional information can be obtained from the Water and Sewer Operator.

CARRIED.

20. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Equipment Operator/Labourer to Keewaytinook Centre of Excellence's OIT/WT I-II-III certification course scheduled September 21-25, 2015 in Dryden., upon recommendation from Water/Sewer Operator. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

21. **Kinnear – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Ryan Mason Contracting to complete hail damage repairs to the Emo-LaVallee Community Centre in the amount of \$336,206.85 plus HST, as per quotation approved by ClaimsPro.

CARRIED.

22. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Livestock Valuer Report from Nick Veldhuisen; and further, to authorize the application to Ministry of Agriculture and Food for the following:

- Roger Mose – one calf in the amount of \$1,050.00

CARRIED.

23. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make application to Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund for the following:

Water line replacement near Donald Young School – total project value of \$1,000,000.00

CARRIED.

24. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Council to NOMA's Northwestern Ontario Regional Conference scheduled September 23-25, 2015 in Thunder Bay. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

25. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve payment to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board in the amount of \$22,196.77, being the Township of Emo's August, 2015 levy.

CARRIED.

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26. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to advertise for the Fall Fair in the Fort Frances Times in the amount of \$142.80 plus HST, as per quotation.

CARRIED.

27. **Marinero - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to advertise for the Fall Fair in the Westend Weekly in the amount of \$100.00 plus HST, as per quotation.

CARRIED.

28. **Loney – Marinero:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby declare November 3, 2015 as Health and Safety Day in Northwestern Ontario.

CARRIED.

29. **Leek – Marinero:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support in principle, Randy Pettapiece, MPP, Perth-Wellington, in his efforts to request the government to guarantee that government-held ridings and opposition-held ridings be given equal and transparent consideration on infrastructure funding, and that when funding decisions are made, should guarantee that all MPP's, whether in government or opposition, be given fair and equal advance notice of the official announcement.

CARRIED.

30. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve General Financial Statement to July 31, 2015, as submitted.

CARRIED.

31. **Kinnear - Marinero:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 8:22 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.

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29. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 9:05 p.m.

CARRIED.

30. **Kinnear – Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire Travis McCormick for the Equipment Operator/Labourer position, at the approved salary range.

CARRIED.

31. **Leek – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to advertise the Arena/Cemetery-Parks Manager position, along with the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer position in the Fort Frances Times on August 19 & 26, 2015 and to close on August 31, 2015.

CARRIED.

32. **Loney – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint the following people to the vacant board positions:

- Emo Toy Library/Resource Centre – Rosalie Dubuc
- Planning Advisory Committee – Vernon Thompson
- Emo-LaVallee Community Centre – John Laplante

CARRIED.

33. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on September 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from July 15, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, July 27, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes and August 6, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Business arising from July 15, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, July 27, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes and August 6, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Add-On:

- Hail damage repairs at Municipal Storage Building and Snowmachine Club Building
- AMCTO's Zone 9 Fall Meeting
- AMCTO's Parliamentary Meeting Protocol Course
- Safety Clothing for Public Works and Water/Sewer Departments

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

- Anticipates gravel haul should be completed by August 21, 2015;
- Will continue to have calcium placed on roads;

Council discussed the garage doors at the Municipal Garage, damaged from the hail storm last year. Contractors have expressed their concerns on the amount provided by the insurance adjuster to complete these repairs. Council requested the insurance adjuster be contacted to look into the possibility of having this amount increased or possibly taking a buyout, as the hail damage is not impeding the usage of the doors.

Council requested a letter be sent to Mel's Well Drilling, notifying them a water meter will be installed on their building and will be contacted to schedule a time for this installation.

Council agreed the rates at the Emo Landfill Site need to be increased as soon as possible.

David Wilson has indicated he is no longer interested in haying the field north of the Sportsfield. Council requested an advertisement be placed in the municipal newsletter to see if there are any residents interested in haying this field.

Council requested November 3, 2015 be promoted in the Township of Emo, as Health & Safety Day.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Attested by:

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Jack Siemens,  
Mayor

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Bridget Beck,  
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer