

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**June 16, 2015**

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens; Councillors Scott Kinnear, Anthony Leek, Michael Loney and Michelle Marinaro; Interim 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. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

CARRIED.

2. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that the June 2, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, June 3, 2015 Public Meeting Minutes and June 11, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes, be adopted as circulated; and further to amend May 19, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED.

3. **Leek – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent and Ed Bullied, Deputy Public Works Superintendent (from June 3, 2015 to June 16, 2015), as submitted.

CARRIED.

4. **Marinaro – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to exchange property owned by the Township of Emo on Meadow Street with proposed lot, being open space abutting proposed Lots 45, 46 & 47, pending approval of the proposed subdivision and verification of 5% parkland requirement.

CARRIED.

5. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to prepare an Invitational Haul and Spread Tender of approximately 10,000 cu. yds. of 5/8" Type "A" gravel.

CARRIED.

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6. **Marinero - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to set the following policy in regards to memorial benches throughout the community:

Donations will be accepted by the Township of Emo to purchase benches, in order to ensure consistency in benches throughout the Township.

CARRIED.

7. **Loney – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to June 16, 2015.

CARRIED.

8. **Loney – Marinero:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to June 16, 2015:

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

CARRIED.

9. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the repaving section of Front Street at the west end above the creek, with 50 mm of asphalt in the amount of \$10,271.20.

CARRIED.

10. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$24,792.47, including HST, being payment for Engineering Services to May 28, 2015.

CARRIED.

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11. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept letters of interest for hail damage repairs to municipal buildings from Cody McKinnon, DeGroot Tech, Ron Redford and Grant Meyers; and further to award the projects as follows:

1.	Emo Water Treatment Plant & Garage:	Grant Meyers
2.	Emo's Litte House:	DeGroot Tech
3.	Water Park Washroom/Storage:	Grant Meyers
4.	Emo Public Library:	Ron Redford
5.	Emo Municipal Office:	DeGroot Tech
6.	Lift Station #1 (Roy Street):	DeGroot Tech
7.	Fire Hall/Town Garage Doors:	Cody McKinnon
8.	Fire Hall/Town Garage Storage Building:	Cody McKinnon
9.	Snowmobile Club/Storage Building:	Cody McKinnon
10.	OPP Station & Shed:	Ron Redford
11.	Cemetery Mortuary:	DeGroot Tech
12.	Sportsfield Pavilion and Canteen Building:	DeGroot Tech

And further, to request a quotation from DeGroot Tech for soffit and fascia at the Municipal Office.

CARRIED.

12. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to renew Esri Canada's ArcGIS program in the amount of \$1,627.20 (HST included), as per quotation.

CARRIED.

13. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve renewal of municipal insurance from Gillons' Insurance in the amount of \$67,127.03, as per quotation.

CARRIED.

14. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the renewal of employee benefits from Comprehensive Benefits Services Inc. in the amount of \$2,486.44/month.

CARRIED.

15. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Bridget Beck to the Municipal Policing Bureau's *OPP Billing Model* session scheduled July 6, 2015 at the Emo Inn. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

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16. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Jack Siemens, Anthony Leek or Michael Loney to the Retired Teachers' of Ontario - District One's luncheon and meeting scheduled June 25, 2015 at the Emo Legion.

CARRIED.

17. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Michelle Marinaro and Anthony Leek to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing/Northern Municipal Services Office's *Legislative Review Consultation Webex* scheduled July 15, 2015 in Fort Frances. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

18. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Michael Loney to the Independent Electricity System Operator's *Electricity Planning* meeting scheduled June 25, 2015 in Fort Frances. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

19. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to establish the tax ratios for the year 2015.

CARRIED.

20. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2015-10**, being a by-law to establish the tax ratios for the year 2015, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

21. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to set the minimum tax bill as follows:

- \$100.00 - to be included in the tax rate by-law.

CARRIED.

22. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and further to provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2015.

CARRIED.

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23. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2015-11**, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and further to provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2015, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

24. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge letter from Harold McQuaker Enterprises Ltd. pertaining to property located at 6081 Hwy 11/71.

CARRIED.

25. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 8:45 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.

26. **Marinaro – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 9:21 p.m.

CARRIED.

27. **Loney – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to advertise for the joint Fire Chief position.

CARRIED.

28. **Kinnear - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that Council nullifies Resolution #43 dated May 20, 2014 and any other resolutions of the same nature and hereby formally repeals them, without prejudice to the position of Council that they had not force or effect.

CARRIED.

29. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

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Errors or Omissions from June 2, 2015 Regular Council Meeting minutes, June 3, 2015 Public Meeting minutes and June 11, 2015 Special Council Meeting minutes: None.

Business arising from June 2, 2015 Regular Council Meeting minutes, June 3, 2015 Public Meeting minutes and June 11, 2015 Special Council Meeting minutes: None.

Add-On:

- Letter of interest received from Grant Meyers for hail damage repairs to municipal buildings;
- Letter from S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. regarding elevator options at the Emo-LaVallee Community Centre.

Tabled items:

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

- A site meeting has been scheduled for tomorrow with Dennis Robinson regarding the crushing tender;
- Is arranging to hire Gary Both to dynamite two tap ditches north of Emo.

Ted Kaemingh and Gerald Wieringa attended the meeting to discuss the following:

- Has prepared a letter indicating how to mitigate the noise in the subdivision and would like to move forward with the subdivision as soon as possible;
- Would like to have a commitment from Council to exchange land owned by the Township of Emo, adjacent to the Christian Reformed Church with an alternate piece of property located within the proposed subdivision – *Council agreed to this request, pending subdivision approval and verification the proposed property meets the five per cent parkland requirement;*
- Would like to clean up the area along Highway 11/71 where work was completed by Tom Veert Contracting Ltd. – *recommended this clean up take place after Tom Veert Contracting Ltd. has completed their work along this area.*

A verbal request was received for the placement of a donated bench in the Township of Emo. Council requested a letter be forwarded to indicate a bench is needed outside the Emo Public Library.

Council discussed letter received regarding the placement of aggregate on commercial property; however, the Township of Emo's Zoning By-law indicates aggregate cannot be stored on commercial property. A letter will be forwarded to the property owner to indicate this.

A verbal request was received to have the speed limit reduced along Off Lake Road to the east boundary of the Echo Lake Estates Subdivision. A letter will be forwarded to the Township of Chapple requesting approval, as Off Lake Road is the boundary line between Township of Emo and Township of Chapple.

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Council requested all hail damage repair projects awarded be completed by September 30, 2015.

Council discussed elevator proposal submitted by S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. and requested additional information on quotations obtained by S. Burnett & Associates Ltd.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Attested by:

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Jack Siemens,  
Mayor

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Bridget Beck,  
Interim CAO/Clerk-Treasurer