

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
June 2, 2015

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 5:45 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 - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, June 2, 2015, as amended.

CARRIED.

2. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that the April 7, 2015 Public Meeting Minutes and May 19, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. **Leek – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 5:50 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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4. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 6:52 p.m.

CARRIED.

5. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept resignation, with regret, from Jennifer Marr, from the Emo Toy Library/Resource Centre.

CARRIED.

6. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve summer student wage, as per 2015 summer student wage scale.

CARRIED.

7. **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 May 19, 2015 to June 2, 2015), as submitted.

CARRIED.

8. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve repaving along Front Street, as part of the Front Street Watermain Project, from Station 0 to Station 810, with 80mm of pavement, in the amount of \$522,288.98.

CARRIED.

9. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to prepare an Invitational Crushing Gravel Tender for 10,000 cu. yds of 5/8" Type "A".

CARRIED.

10. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase fireworks in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the Township of Emo's Canada Day Celebration.

CARRIED.

11. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase four (4) dog waste stations from Dog Waste Solutions, in the amount of \$349.00, plus HST and shipping.

CARRIED.

12. **Kinnear - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to June 2, 2015.

CARRIED.

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13. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to June 2, 2015:

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

CARRIED.

14. **Kinnear - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$8,778.81, including HST, being payment for Engineering Services to April 30, 2015.

CARRIED.

15. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Emo and RealTerm Energy Corp. for LED Streetlight Retrofit Project.

CARRIED.

16. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2015-09**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Emo and RealTerm Energy Corp. for LED Streetlight Retrofit Project, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

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

- John Ross Anderson – one calf in the amount of \$1,225.00

CARRIED.

18. **Marinaro – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send the Mayor, one Councillor and one staff member to AMO's Annual General Meeting and Conference scheduled August 16-19, 2015 in Niagara Falls, ON. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

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19. **Marinaro - 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 June, 2015 levy.

CARRIED.

20. **Marinaro – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Township of Emo's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, as prepared by BDO Canada LLP.

CARRIED.

21. **Leek - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Township of Emo's O.P.P. Office Lease Agreement audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, as prepared by BDO Canada LLP.

CARRIED.

22. **Kinnear – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Town of Fort Frances's Provincial Offences audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, and financial statements to March 31, 2015, as submitted.

CARRIED.

23. **Leek – Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Northwestern Health Unit's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, as submitted.

CARRIED.

24. **Leek – Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, and annual general meeting reports, as submitted.

CARRIED.

25. **Loney – Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Township of Emo's 2014 Election Accessibility Report, as prepared by Bridget Beck, Interim CAO/Clerk-Treasurer.

CARRIED.

26. **Leek – Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve payment to the Rainy River Vet Service Committee in the amount of \$415.10, being the 2015 Vet Assistance Trust Fund per capita levy.

CARRIED.

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27. **Marinaro – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby to place an advertisement in the Fort Frances Times to “Congratulate Graduating Class of 2015”, in the amount of \$90.00, plus HST.

CARRIED.

28. **Marinaro – Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support, in principle, the Canadian Postmasters and Assistants Association’s efforts to prevent the closure of rural post offices as they request the Government to order Canada Post to invest the massive profits reported in 2014, to improve postal service in rural communities.

CARRIED.

29. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from April 7, 2015 Public Meeting Minutes and May 19, 2015 Regular Council minutes: None.

Business arising from April 7, 2015 Public Meeting Minutes and May 19, 2015 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Tabled items:

- Tendering of load, haul and spread will be discussed at the next meeting, after the crushing tender has been awarded.

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

- All items taken to the auction in Emo on May 30, 2015 were sold;
- Discussed condition of road on Jessie Street – *Council requested this section of road to be repaired.*

Ed Bullied, Water and Sewer Operator, attended the meeting to provide the following update:

- Kingdom was at the Water Treatment Plant and has ensured the Water Treatment Plant is operating on automatic;
- Kingdom Construction will return to complete required work to the Water Treatment Plant on approximately June 8, 2015;
- Emo Lagoon should be ready within the next two weeks to discharge;
- Spray Park is now operational for the season.

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Jared McQuaker, from Makkinga Contracting, attended the meeting to discuss the length of paving on Front Street. Change order four was requested to extend asphalt an additional 95 metres to Station 810 (west of Golden Age Manor). Pioneer has stated they will not repave Front Street less than 80 mm; therefore, the cost of paving Front Street from Station 0 (corner of Queen Street and Front Street) to Station 810 with 80 mm is \$522,288.98. To extend the paving from Station 810 to the railway, with 80 mm of asphalt, will be an additional \$220,000.00 (this would include removal of existing asphalt). Jared also informed Council they are providing S. Burnett & Associates with a quotation for stabilization at the creek at the west end of Front Street.

Council requested looking into the possibility of purchasing Canada Day fireworks locally, rather than purchasing from out of town.

Council discussed the possibility of adopting a by-law regulating cats in the Township of Emo. Council will discuss this after some research has been completed on possible by-laws.

Council requested a letter be sent to the Emo Walleye Classic Committee recognizing their dedication to the community.

Discussion was held on the LED streetlights project in Emo and Council requested clarification on how this will impact our monthly streetlight hydro bill.

Council requested Public Works Department provide an assessment on the sidewalks in Emo and to report the amount of sidewalk requiring repairs.

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Attested by:

Jack Siemens,
Mayor

Bridget Beck,
Interim CAO/Clerk-Treasurer