

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
September 8, 2015

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Councillor Scott Kinnear.

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, September 8, 2015.

CARRIED.

2. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that the August 11, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, August 24, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes and September 2, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent (from August 12, 2015 to September 8, 2015), as submitted.

CARRIED.

4. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to write off penalty on the following Assessment Roll numbers, due to banking error:

#20700 - \$6.25
#54400 - \$8.84
#46700 - \$27.25
#41400 - \$9.26
#37400 - \$15.16
#36900 - \$25.63
#25500 - \$19.94
#56000 - \$15.12
#00100 - \$18.63
#43100 - \$9.80
#24500 - \$7.83
#73500 - \$5.00
#73501 - \$7.69

CARRIED.

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5. **Marinaro – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to write-off dog tax in the amount of \$10.00 on Assessment Roll #33000, as the property owner only has one dog.

CARRIED.

6. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to reimburse property owner of Assessment Roll #20700 in the amount of \$350.00, due to overpayment.

CARRIED.

7. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to reimburse property owner of Assessment Roll #05000 and #04900 in the amount of \$708.54, due to over payment.

CARRIED.

8. **Loney - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED we hereby authorize water shut-offs on all accounts four months or more in arrears on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED.

9. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to set the following fee for Draft Plan of Subdivision:

- Cost Recovery, minimum \$4,000.00

CARRIED.

10. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to September 8, 2015.

CARRIED.

11. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to September 8, 2015:

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

CARRIED.

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12. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby rescind Resolution No. 2 of the August 24, 2015 Special Council Meeting pertaining to purchase of Snowplow Truck with Dump Box, as delivery date could not be met; and further to accept tender from Maxim Truck & Trailer for Tender No. 2015-03 being Tender for Snowplow Truck with Dump Box, as follows:

Model/Year: 2015 International 7500 6x4 Tandem

Tender Amount:	\$195,700.00
<u>HST:</u>	<u>\$ 25,441.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$221,141.00

And further, pending this tender meets all specifications as stated in tender.

CARRIED.

13. **Leek - Loney:** 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 remainder of Contract Payment Certificate No.3, SBA File No. M13031, in the amount of \$29,709.60 including HST, less 10% holdback.

CARRIED.

14. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to Makkinga Contracting and Equipment Rentals for the Township of Emo Front Street & Canning Lane Watermain Expansion Project, being of Contract Payment Certificate No.5, SBA File No. M14011, in the amount of \$558,276.03 including HST, less 10% holdback.

CARRIED.

15. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to remit payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$8,453.30 including HST, being payment for Engineering Services to August 6, 2015.

CARRIED.

16. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to Harold McQuaker Enterprises Ltd. in the amount of \$66,887.45, being payment for Tender No. 2015-02- Haul and Spread (Contract Price of \$\$61,359.00 plus overage).

CARRIED.

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17. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize Rainy River District School Board/Donald Young School to use Emo Curling Rink property for parking and walking path during the construction phase at Donald Young School, with the following conditions:

- Waive the Township of Emo of all liability:
- Ensuring property is maintained to the current condition.

CARRIED.

18. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve payment to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board in the amount of \$44,393.54, being the Township of Emo's July and September, 2015 levy.

CARRIED.

19. **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:

- Russel Richards – one bovine heifer in the amount of \$1,300.00

CARRIED.

20. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Request for Reconsideration Minutes of Settlement, from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, for write-off on Assessment Roll #56505, for the year 2015, as follows:

- From \$55,925.00 (CT) and \$231,075.00 (RT) to \$15,300.00 (CT) and \$238,800.00 (RT), effective date December 31, 2015.

CARRIED.

21. **Leek – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree appoint Gerald Armstrong as Volunteer Fire Fighter to the Emo Volunteer Fire Department, and further, to retain his services for the month of September, 2015 in order to assist Fire Chief Joshua Colling.

CARRIED.

22. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve draft by-law between the Townships of Chapple, Emo and LaVallee and Joshua Colling, Fire Chief, pending approval by Townships of Chapple and LaVallee.

CARRIED.

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23. **Leek - Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Allison Cox, Community Development/Rec. Director to the Economic Development Program scheduled May 1-6, 2016 in Waterloo, Ontario. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

24. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Bridget Beck to Emergency Management Ontario's IMS200 Course scheduled September 29-30, 2015 in the Township of Chapple. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

25. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Bridget Beck and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer to the 2015 Northwest Treasurers' Forum scheduled November 12-13, 2015 in Thunder Bay, Ontario. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

26. **Loney - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make donation to Riverside Foundation for Health Care in the amount of \$600.00 toward the *Under the Big Top Fundraiser*.

CARRIED.

27. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby support in principle, the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, in their efforts to request the Ministry of Transportation to refer all matters related to any reform of the intercity bus transportation regulations applicable to Northern Ontario to the Northern Ontario Multimodal Transportation Study; and further, that the Ministry of Transportation Multimodal Transportation Study pay particular attention to the manner in which all modes of passenger transportation can be enhanced throughout Northwestern Ontario.

CARRIED.

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28. **Leek - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 7:45 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.

29. **Leek – Marinaro:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 8:22 p.m.

CARRIED.

30. **Marinaro - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept letter of resignation, with regret, from Amy Welsh, from the Emergency Management Committee.

CARRIED.

31. **Marinaro - Leek:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire Patrick Hyatt for the Arena/Cemetery-Parks Manager position, at the approved salary range.

CARRIED.

32. **Marinaro - Kinnear:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on September 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from August 11, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, August 24, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes and September 2, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

Business arising from August 11, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, August 24, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes and September 2, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes: None.

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Tabled:

- Letter from Jason and Andrea Smith regarding municipal water.

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

- Barnhardt and Steward Road signs have been ordered from Airmaster, to replace missing road signs;
- Sidewalk assessment is on the Public Works Department work plan and will be completed this fall;
- Peter will contact Maxim Truck & Trailer to inquire into the snowplow truck.

Allison Cox, Recreation Director, attended the meeting to provide an update of upcoming events:

- Has been in contact with the Emo Curling Club; however, trying to setup a meeting date to discuss curling this season. She would like to invite Donald Young School and Sturgeon Creek Alternative Program School to incorporate curling at the Emo Curling Rink into their curriculum – *Council recommended schools be introduced to the Rocks and Rings Program*;
- Has applied for funding through ParticipACTION to assist with youth curling;
- Is currently looking into Glo Curling;
- Looking into partnering with the Northwestern Health Unit to hold a Family Safety Night focusing on health and safety. Could hold this in conjunction with Health and Safety Day, being November 8, 2015;
- In the process of scheduling power skating at the Emo-LaVallee Community Centre for this fall;
- Currently looking into organizing pickle ball – this is a game that uses a badminton net but is lower to the ground. Possibly the third floor of the Curling Rink could be used for this;
- Would like to hold activities during school Professional Development Days and March Break;
- 5K mud run or colour run.

Council would like clarification from Water and Sewer Operator Ed Bullied, on hauling water from Fort Frances in August while raw water pumps malfunctioned.

Council requested an update from S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. on Front Street Project deficiencies.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Attested by:

Jack Siemens,
Mayor

Bridget Beck,
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer