

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
August 17, 2021

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Harold McQuaker; Councillors Harrold Boven and Lori Ann Shortreed; CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Foster; Public Works Superintendent Jason Smith.

Virtually present via Zoom: Councillors Lincoln Dunn and Warren Toles.

Publicly available virtually via Zoom.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

Councillor Lincoln Dunn declared a conflict of interest for Item 6 on the agenda, being quotation received from Fort Frances Times Ltd. for web design.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, August 17, 2021.

CARRIED.

2. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that the July 20, 2021 Special Council Meeting minutes and July 28, 2021 Regular Council Meeting minutes, be adopted as circulated

CARRIED.

3. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Bridget Foster, CAO (to August 17, 2021); Chief Building Official Rick Hallam (for the month of July, 2021); and Fire Chief Tyrell Griffith (for August, 2021).

CARRIED.

4. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Firefighter James Klug to Captain of the Emo Fire Department.

CARRIED.

5. **Dunn - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law for the purpose of establishing a four-way stop at the juncture of Meadow Street and Maple Place.

CARRIED.

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6. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2021-15**, being a by-law for the purpose of establishing a four-way stop at the juncture of Meadow Street and Maple Place, be deemed to be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

7. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept General Financial Statement to June 30, 2021, as submitted.

CARRIED.

8. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to August 17, 2021, less invoice from K. Smart Associates.

CARRIED.

9. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to August 17, 2021:

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

CARRIED.

10. **Boven - Shortreed:** WHEREAS the Township of Emo By-law 2007-36 allows maximum fencing of 2.1 metres (6.89 feet) from back of building line to the back of the property and 0.9 metres (2.95 feet) from back of building line to front of property; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED we hereby agree to allow Brad Herman at property located at 35 Walker Street to construct of fence of the following:

108 feet long by 8 feet high

CARRIED.

11. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to apply for funding through Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) Green Stream Intake II for water distribution replacement, along with restoration of all affected infrastructure, along King Street from Front Street north to Highway 602 and along Florence Street from Front Street to Highway 11;

AND FURTHER, the Township of Emo agrees to contribution in the amount of 26.67 per cent, being \$515,355.00, plus HST, with total funding request of \$1,908,721.00.

CARRIED.

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12. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to the following Amended Property Assessment Notice, submitted by Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, for the 2020 property taxation year:

- Assessment Roll 34400 from \$65,000 (RT) to \$10,200 (CT).

CARRIED.

13. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make the following donation to Riverside Foundation for Health Care towards the 'Picture This' campaign, being an initiative to upgrade the x-ray rooms to digital, purchase an elevating table for the fluoroscopy room, a new CT Scanner and a new digital mammography machine:

\$22,500.00 over the next three years, being \$7,500.00 each year

CARRIED.

14. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve quotation submitted by Fort Frances Times Web Design in the amount of \$4,240.00, plus HST, to upgrade the Township of Emo's website to make compliant with AODA regulations.

CARRIED.

15. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream – Local Government Intake, between Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure and The Corporation of the Township of Emo for soda ash chemical feed system upgrade at the Emo Water Treatment Plant.

CARRIED.

16. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 2021-16, being a by-law to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream – Local Government Intake between Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure and The Corporation of the Township of Emo for soda ash chemical feed system upgrade at the Emo Water Treatment Plant, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

17. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to reimburse June Winik in the amount of \$741.00, being return of two plots purchased in 2021, less administration fee.

CARRIED.

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18. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make payment to J.T.J. Contracting (Emo) Ltd. in the amount of \$71,820.00, plus HST, being cost of Tender No. 2021-03, plus 5% crushing overage, as per tender contract.

CARRIED.

19. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Livestock Valuer Report from Harold Kelly; and further accept the application to Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs' Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program for the following:

Nico Veldhuisen in the amount of \$ 928.20 for a calf

CARRIED.

20. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Emo support and endorse the resolution circulated by the City of Stratford requesting the Provincial Government immediately take steps to replace gas powered electrical generation with non-carbon-based sustainable alternatives.

DEFEATED.

21. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Emo support and endorse the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Chatham-Kent requesting the Federal Cabinet, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, and ISED Minister Francois Phillippe Champagne to overrule the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission's (CRTC) reversal and immediately implement the evidence-based 2019 Rates Order.

CARRIED.

22. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 7:10 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees – *Public Works Department Operations; hiring of Parks/Arena Labourer.*

CARRIED.

23. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 8:08 p.m.

CARRIED.

24. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

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Errors or Omissions from July 28, 2021, Regular Council Meeting minutes and the July 20, 2021 Special Council Meeting minutes: None.

Business arising from July 28, 2021, Regular Council Meeting minutes and the July 20, 2021 Special Council Meeting minutes: None.

Councillor Lori Ann Shortreed requested to add the resolution endorsement received from the Town of Coburg, that was defeated at the Council meeting held on July 28, 2021, on the next meeting agenda for reconsideration.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Attested by:

Harold McQuaker,
Mayor

Bridget Foster,
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer