

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

February 27, 2018

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors Rod Blakelock and Marina Hammond; Absent; Councillors Jerry Brandt and Pat Hayes; Delegations: Sergeant Brent Turner - Almaguin OPP, Fire Chief Dave McNay - BFFD Fire Department and Doug Weddel - Township of Ryerson's Councillor; Staff: John Theriault, Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator and Charlene Watt, Deputy Clerk.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the regular meeting held on February 13, 2018 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS:

Sergeant Brent Turner from the Almaguin OPP Detachment presented the 2017 statistics for the area. Questions were asked and answered.

Dave McNay, Burk's Falls and District Fire Department's Fire Chief and Doug Weddel, Ryerson Township Councillor presented an amended 2018 fire services budget requesting the purchase of a new fire tanker, instead of a used one as previously submitted to Councils. Council discussed the request and passed a resolution approving the purchase and the amended 2018 budget.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL: None

APPLICATION(S):

Consent File No. B-025/17, Sandra Dalene MacDonald, 195 First Avenue, Part of Lot 6, Concession VIII. Council reviewed a staff report dated February 23, 2018 amending the conditions of the lot addition/adjustment consent application and removing the previous condition for a right of way consent for 205 First Avenue to legalize the neighbour's access over the retained parcel. Council passed a resolution supporting the amendment of the previous consent conditions.

BY-LAWS:

By-law #12-2018 being a by-law to enter a Contribution Agreement (OCIF) for the Pickerel and Jack Lake Bridge replacement was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #13-2018 being a by-law to confirm the January 2018 meetings of Council was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

The Library Board minutes of January 17, 2018 were reviewed by Council. A verbal report was given on the February 21, 2018 meeting.

The February 19, 2018 minutes of the Burk's Falls & District Historical Society were reviewed by Council.

A verbal report was given on the last Katrine Community Centre meeting. A furnace inspection is to be arranged.

The Regional Fire Board meeting was cancelled in February. The next meeting will be March 15, 2018.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Council received a request from the Burk's Falls Skating Club for a donation to their year-end carnival and fundraiser. Council passed a resolution to approve a donation.

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CORRESPONDENCE cont'd:

Council received a request from the Almaguin Adult Learning Centre for a donation in the amount of \$0.45 per capita to support their services. Council passed a resolution to approve a donation.

A letter was received from the Town of Essex requesting Council's support in asking that when school boards make decisions to close schools that they have to offer the building to the local municipality for one dollar. Council supported this request by resolution.

A letter was received from the City of Cornwall requesting Council's support in asking that the Ontario Government implement reforms that would encourage the remediation of abandoned contaminated properties and provide municipalities with more tools to encourage remediation. Council supported this by resolution.

A letter was received from the Village of Sundridge requesting Council's support in asking that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry extend the public input period to allow participation by those most affected and fall within the catchment area of the draft recovery strategy for the Algonquin Wolf. Council supported this request by resolution.

Information was received on the latest amendments to the *Municipal Elections Act*.

Council received the FONOM's spring newsletter for their review. Council discussed the increased need for homes for the aged.

A letter was received from FONOM noting the comments they made to the proposed amendments to the *Endangered Species Act, 2007*.

A copy of a resolution was received from the Town of Kearney advising that they are not in support of sharing Fire Prevention Officers with adjacent municipalities.

Information was received from the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit concerning the cost of healthy eating and the fact that some families cannot afford to eat healthy.

Council reviewed the AMO WatchFile report dated February 22, 2018.

Council received the 2018 municipal levy apportionment schedule for the Eastholme Home for the Aged. Armour's portion for 2018 is \$105,583, a 1.78% increase over last year. Council and staff are invited to attend the 2018 budget meeting to take place on March 21, 2018 at Eastholme Home for the Aged at 10:00 a.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

CLOSED SESSION:

Moved into a closed meeting at 8:43 p.m. as per Section 239.2 (e), (f) and (k) of the *Municipal Act*, litigation or potential litigation before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board, advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Moved out of closed session at 9:09 p.m. and reported.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on February 13, 2018 as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the recommendation of the Fire Chief to purchase a new tanker and approve the amended 2018 Fire Services Budget. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby support the lot addition/adjustment consent application B-025/17, 195 First Avenue, Part of Lot 6, Concession VIII, submitted by Sandra Dalene MacDonald subject to the following conditions:

- A zoning by-law amendment to recognize the substandard retained frontage. The retained lot in this application will inherit the substandard frontage at 195 First Avenue and will no longer be saved by Section 5.32(a) of the municipality's Zoning By-law.
- If the reference plan or other evidence discloses that the severed property contains a road deviation maintained by the municipality as a public road, then the applicant shall survey and transfer such a road deviation to the municipality. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #12-2018 being a by-law to enter into a Contribution Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen, as represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and the Township of Armour for the delivery of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Top-up Application Component 2017 Intake, and that we authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #13-2018 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its January 2018 meetings and that we authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour authorize a donation, in the amount of \$100, to the Burk's Falls Skating Club for their Annual Year End Carnival. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour authorize a donation, in the amount of \$560, to the Almaguin Adult Learning Centre. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the Town of Essex and request that when school boards make decisions to close schools, that they have to offer the building to the local municipality for one dollar. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the City of Cornwall and request the Ontario Government implement reforms that would encourage the remediation of abandoned contaminated properties and provide municipalities with more tools to encourage remediation. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the Village of Sundridge and request the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry extend the public input period to allow participation by those most affected and fall within the catchment area of the draft recovery strategy for the Algonquin Wolf. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move into closed session at 8:43 p.m. as per Section 239.2 (e), (f) and (k) of the *Municipal Act*; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn and move out of closed session at 9:09 p.m. and report. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 9:11 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for March 13, 2018 or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Bob MacPhail

REEVE

John Theriault

CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR