

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

November 14, 2017

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors Jerry Brandt, Marina Hammond, and Pat Hayes; Absent: Councillor Rod Blakelock; Delegations: Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator and Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor; Staff: Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator; and John Theriault, Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the regular Council meeting held on October 24, 2017 and the TRI Council meeting of October 30, 2017 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

Councillor Pat Hayes declared a pecuniary interest on item 7 of the September 12, 2017 agenda, item 9 of the October 10, 2017 agenda and item 7 of the November 14, 2017 agenda, "Accounts for Approval"; accounts paid are for a business he owns.

DELEGATIONS:

Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator, presented her monthly report. The report was reviewed by Council, questions were asked and answered.

Amy Tilley, Community Emergency Management Coordinator, presented a report on the Emergency Management Program Committee meeting and the update of the Emergency Response Plan and Program. Council reviewed the report and discussed it with the CEMC.

Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor, presented his monthly report. The report was reviewed and discussed by Council. Council discussed the construction of Industrial Road and directed the Roads Supervisor to build as much as can be reasonably completed, with the guidance of Tulloch Engineering. The balance of the road can be built as the property develops.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

The list of accounts for November 2017 was approved by resolution.

APPLICATIONS: None

BY-LAWS:

By-law #60-2017 being a by-law to approve Council's remuneration for 2018 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #61-2017 being a by-law to establish a Committee of Adjustment for 2018 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #62-2017 being a by-law to amend the Township's Employment Policy was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #63-2017 being a by-law to adopt an Emergency Management Program and rescind By-law #61-2016 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

Council reviewed a report on the October 2017 Library Board meeting.

Council reviewed the November 2017 building report.

Council reviewed the October 23, 2017 minutes of the Historical Society.

Council reviewed the October 19, 2017 minutes of the Regional Fire Services Committee.

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

November 14, 2017

REPORTS cont'd:

Council reviewed the October 30, 2017 minutes of the TRI Council meeting.

A verbal report was given on the November 13, 2017 meeting of BACED. Council passed a resolution to support the recommendation of the committee concerning the going forward with a Regional Economic Development Department.

A verbal report was given on the status of the work and the grants to the snowmobile club to improve the trails around Burk's Falls.

CORRESPONDANCE:

An AMO communication was received concerning a proposal to fund the municipal infrastructure deficit through a 1% HST increase.

A letter was received from the Town of Amherstburg requesting Council's support in asking the Province to install concrete barriers on Highway 401. Council passed a supporting resolution.

A letter was received from the Municipality of Neebing requesting Council's support in asking the Province to amend the application process for the Conservation Land Tax Incentive program to include circulating each application for comments to the affected municipality and that municipal comments be taken into consideration when reviewing an application. Council passed a supporting resolution.

Correspondence was received from the Ministry of Finance advising municipalities of some details on the legalization and regulation of non-medicinal cannabis.

Council received an article describing the warning and advice issued by the Environmental Commissioner concerning blue-green algae.

Council received a letter from the Ministry of Energy regarding Ontario's 2017 Long Term Energy Plan.

Council received correspondence from NOMA and FONOM giving some information on the current state of science on Woodland Caribou.

An AMO communication was received advising that the Attorney General has introduced Ontario's Cannabis Act, 2017.

An AMO communication was received advising that a new policing legislation was introduced and giving some details about it.

An AMO communication was received advising that the province is holding a consultation on income security reform.

Correspondence was received from the Town of Lakeshore requesting Council's support urging the province to create a Provincial Flood Insurance Program. Council passed a supporting resolution.

Council received the October 2017 labour focus report and monthly vacancies report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council reviewed the superior court decision granting an interlocutory injunction closing the Pickerel Lake Recovery Centre.

Council reviewed the 2018 shared services budgets;

- a) Arena, Council will not be requesting any changes;
- b) Economic Development, A revised budget is to be forwarded. Council had no concerns with the budget as presented.

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

November 14, 2017

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- c) Fire, A revised budget is to be forwarded. Council have a number of questions on the budget as presented at the TRI Council meeting and will be requesting clarification.
- d) Library, no concerns as presented. The Board will be requesting more financial support from McMurrich/Monteith based on increased usage.
- e) Waste Management, Council have no concerns with the budget as presented.
- f) Historical Society request for the same financial support as in 2017 was supported.

Council received a notice that the REA documents have been released on the Sky One Solar Project proposed on a property in Ryerson and that a public meeting will be held on January 9, 2018 for any interested party.

Council discussed the possibility of re-locating the Doe Lake boat launch. Staff was directed to submit an application for MNR approval. Councillor Hayes will provide details to be included in the submission.

Council reviewed a letter Robert Miller, Municipal Planner submitted regarding the Ferrante subdivision. Council passed a resolution supporting the recommendation.

The Treasurer advised Council that we have received a banking proposal from the Kawartha Credit Union. A resolution supporting the change of financial institution was passed.

Council discussed the possibility of installing a gravel sidewalk on private property on Highway 520, to provide safer access for pedestrians to Commercial Drive. Ministry of Transportation approval would still be required. Further investigation is required.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council received and reviewed a draft fee by-law which includes new fees for by-law enforcement and changed fees for waste management. Council requested that the by-law be brought back for approval.

A staff report was presented on the 2017 Christmas bonus. Council approved the bonus by resolution.

A request was received from the Burk's Falls Santa Claus Parade for a donation to help fund this event. Council passed a resolution approving a donation.

CLOSED SESSION:

Moved into closed session at 10:14 p.m. as per Section 239.2 (c) (e) (f) of the *Municipal Act*, a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Moved out of closed session at 10:55 p.m. and reported.

RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on October 24, 2017, as circulated. Carried

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

November 14, 2017

RESOLUTIONS: CONTINUED

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the TRI Council meeting held on October 30, 2017, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the November 2017 accounts, in the amount of \$230,977.54 for payment, and the Reeve and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign cheques for same. Pecuniary Interest declared by Patrick Hayes. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law #60-2017 being a by-law respecting remuneration and expenses for Members of Council and Local Boards, Officers and Employees, and to rescind By-Law #51-2016 and authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law #61-2017 being a by-law to establish a Committee of Adjustment and authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law #62-2017 being a by-law to adopt an amendment to the Employment Policy for the Township of Armour and 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 Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law #63-2017 being a by-law to adopt an Emergency Management Program for the Township of Armour, to rescind By-law #61-2016 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 Jerry Brandt; Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Armour hereby agree to extend the current CIINO Contract #806659 term until December 31, 2018. Further that the Council of the Township of Armour agree to share in the municipal contribution costs as well as any cost overruns. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour support, in principle, the expansion of the BACED committee to include all non CAEDA municipalities of the Almaguin Highlands and the Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce and go forward with working on the implementation of a Regional Economic Development Department. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt; that the Council of the Township of Armour supports the position of the Town of Amherstburg calling on the provincial government to install concrete barriers on Highway 401. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour supports the position of the Municipality of Neebing calling on the province to change the application process under the Conservation Land Tax Incentive Program (CLTIP) to provide that applications, together with supporting studies, maps and/or other information, will be circulated for comment to the municipality in which the subject property exists and requests that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry take the Municipality's comments into consideration when processing the application. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour supports the position of the Town of Lakeshore and urge the province to create a Provincial Flood Insurance Program to cover those individuals, families and businesses that are unable to secure flood insurance for their properties. Carried

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

November 14, 2017

RESOLUTIONS: CONTINUED

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the Planner's letter dated November 9, 2017 and remove the requirement for site plan approval on all of the lots in the Ferrante Plan of Subdivision/Condominium (File #S02-14, Concession 6, Part Lot 5, Plan 42R-17423 Part 2 and Part 3), with the exception of Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 where the Site Plan By-law will remain applicable. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour supports the recommendation of the Treasurer and approve the awarding of the banking services for the Township of Armour to the Kawartha Credit Union on the condition that their proposal meet all of the needs of the Township of Armour. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a Christmas bonus for 2017 in recognition of Council's appreciation of staff, based on the report from the Treasurer/Deputy Clerk dated November 14, 2017. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour authorize a donation, in the amount of \$150.00, to the Burk's Falls Santa Claus Parade. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move into closed session at 10:14 p.m. as per Section 239.2 (c) (e) (f) of the *Municipal Act*, a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn and move out of closed session at 10:55 p.m. and report. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 10:59 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for November 28, 2017, or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Original signed by Bob MacPhail
REEVE

Original signed by Wendy Whitwell
CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR