

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

April 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock, Jerry Brandt and Marina Hammond; Absent; Councillor Pat Hayes; Delegations: Willy Hollett, Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce, John Stark, Burk's Falls & District Fire Department, Bruce Mark, resident, Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator and Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor; Guests: Kim Mark, Yvonne Stewart, Kim Stewart, Brian Grindlay, Leigh Grindlay, Judy Ransome and Robert Gray; Staff: Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator, John Theriault, Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk and Dave Gray, Economic Development Officer.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the regular Council meeting held on March 22, 2016 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS:

Willy Hollett, Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce made a presentation to Council and asked for financial support for the hiring of an intern to promote economic development. Council passed a supporting resolution.

John Stark, Burk's Falls & District Fire Department presented a risk assessment report covering 2015 to 2018, which was reviewed and approved by Council.

Bruce Mark made a presentation to Council in support of an amendment to the zoning by-law. He also presented a petition to Council to support his request. Council accepted the petition and directed the Clerk to research this issue and bring back a report at the next Council meeting.

Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator, presented her monthly report and a financial update. Council asked some questions, which were answered.

Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor, presented a verbal monthly report and a vehicle replacement plan. Council directed the Roads Supervisor to implement the recommendations on the vehicle replacement plan.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

The list of accounts for April 2016 was approved by resolution.

APPLICATIONS: None

BY-LAWS:

By-law #13-2016 being a by-law to regulate the disposal of refuse and debris was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #14-2016 being a by-law to enter into an agreement to share by-law services with the Village of Burk's Falls was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #15-2016 being a by-law to approve a policy for tangible capital assets was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #16-2016 being a by-law to adopt a Fire Prevention Policy was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

A verbal report was given on the last library meeting.

Council discussed the last Economic Development Committee meeting.

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REPORTS: CONTINUED

A report was given on the work the Planning Board is doing.

Council discussed the arena proposal brought forward by the Village of Burk's Falls at a special TRI Council meeting.

Council reviewed the agenda and meeting notes from the Burk's Falls & District Historical Society.

Council reviewed a staff report recommending the closure of the Township office on May 6th 2016 to allow staff to participate in the AMCTO Zone 7 workshop. Council approved the closure.

Water assessment report meeting. Council was disappointed with what was included in the report and its recommendations. Council asked that the engineers be advised of Council's concerns.

Development of industrial park. Staff were instructed to setup a meeting with Burk's Falls to decide what our next step is.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter was received from Marie Stitt requesting financial support for the cancer fundraiser being held at the Katrine Community Centre on April 23, 2016. Council passed a resolution approving a donation.

An AMO communication was received regarding the 2016 Federal budget.

An MFOA communication was received detailing the 2016 Federal budget.

A request for financial support for a signage project was received from the Village of Burk's Falls. Council passed a resolution approving a donation.

A report was received from the OPP giving Council statistics on policing in Armour for the 4th quarter of 2015.

A request was received from the Township of Carling requesting support for a resolution to promote a healthy, sustainable food system for our region. Council passed a supporting resolution.

A letter was received from the Village of Burk's Falls advising the Township of the closure of the Yonge Street Bridge from May to September 2016.

A request was received from the Armour, Ryerson and Burk's Falls Agricultural Society to support their annual Fall Fair on Labour Day weekend 2016. Council passed a resolution approving a donation.

A notice was received from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry advising the Township of the 2016-2017 annual work schedule for the French-Severn Forest.

A letter was received from FONOM urging members to support Ontario farmers.

A letter was received from Hydro One advising the Township that they are investing to improve service reliability in Muskoka and Parry Sound.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A staff report on the 12 Three Mile Lake Road buildings was reviewed by Council. Council directed staff to demolish the South building and get quotes to do some repairs on the North building.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: CONTINUED

Council proposed a meeting between the three municipalities to start discussions on shared services. At this meeting basic rules would be discussed on how services should be shared. This item should be on the next TRI Council agenda.

Comments from our Planner, Robert Miller were received on the rezoning of the Hwy 520 proposed industrial park and a zoning change to increase the maximum floor area of gazebos. Council passed a resolution directing the Planner to draft a zoning amendment by-law.

A resolution was received from the Town of Huntsville requesting support for their proposal concerning the closure of in-patient surgical services and requesting the Minister of health help solve the funding inequities. Council passed a supporting resolution.

Council discussed the information received on volunteers who help our communities. Council supports a volunteer and staff appreciation night.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council reviewed the TRI Council meeting agenda for April 25, 2016.

RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on March 22, 2016, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour support a request from the Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce to hire an intern to be shared with the Chamber and BACED and contribute 50% of the contribution requested from the Chamber for the duration of the project. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour has reviewed and accept the Armour Township Risk Assessment 2015–2018 as submitted by John Stark, Fire Prevention Officer. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the April 2016 accounts, in the amount of \$629,574.36 for payment, and the Reeve and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign cheques for same. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law # 13-2016 being a by-law to regulate the disposal of refuse or debris within the Township of Armour and repeal By-laws # 21-89 and # 28-2008 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; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law # 14-2016 being a by-law to enter into an agreement for the services of a By-Law Enforcement Officer and to repeal by-law # 48-2015 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 have read and approve By-law # 15-2016 being a by-law to approve a policy to prescribe the accounting treatment for tangible capital assets and to repeal by-law # 34-2008 and that we authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS: CONTINUED

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law # 16-2016 being a by-law to adopt a Fire Prevention Policy for the Township of Armour and to rescind by-law # 25-2010 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 Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation in the amount of \$ 250 to the Canadian Cancer Society fundraiser being held on April 23, 2016 at the Katrine Community Centre. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour agree to support the Village of Burk's Falls signage project to promote local service clubs and not-for-profit organizations with a donation in the amount of \$ 200. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the resolution from the Township of Carling and the Parry Sound and Area Food Charter and their work related to promoting a healthy, sustainable food system for the region. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the Armour, Ryerson and Burk's Falls Agricultural Society with a donation in the amount of \$ 1,500 for 2016. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve that the Council meeting of April 12, 2016 be extended past 11:00 p.m. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour, after reviewing the letters, dated March 24 and April 5, 2016, from Robert Miller, Planner, direct the planner to draft a zoning amendment by-law based on the recommendations included in the letters. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour fully support resolution 62-15 dated March 29, 2016 from the Town of Huntsville concerning the closure of in-patient surgical services at the MAHC Huntsville site and requesting that the Minister of Health help solve the funding inequities MAHC must deal with. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 11:42 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for April 26, 2016, or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Original signed by Bob MacPhail

REEVE

Original signed by Wendy Whitwell

CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR