

**THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR**

**MINUTES**

September 30, 2014

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock, Marty Corcoran, Jerry Brandt, Pat Hayes was absent; Guests, Marina Hammond; Delegations, Keith McCoy, Road Supervisor; Staff, Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator and Melinda Torrance, Deputy Clerk.

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9, 2014 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the statutory public meeting held on September 9, 2014 were approved as circulated.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None

**DELEGATIONS:**

- Keith McCoy, Road Supervisor attended council and discussed the following:
- The 2014 roads budget to actual report was provided to Council for review. Everything looks good and there were no questions from Council.
- Staff report was provided outlining the 2015 roads budget. Item of concern is the bridges and money that will be allocated for them. Council directed Keith to include 4 bridges in the 2015 roads budget.
- Proposed construction in 2015 draft budget – continue resurfacing Pickerel and Jack Lake; Three Mile Lake double surface treat from tracks to top of hill.
- Scarify Pevensey Road using the old grader – going to be a multi-phase process.
- Under expenditure funds will be put towards purchasing gravel for South Service Road. Keith to get prices on 1,100 and 1,500 tonne.

**BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING:** None

**APPLICATIONS:** None

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:** Natural Gas Fired Heating Unit

Council tabled the request for proposal and will be brought back to the October 14, 2014 council meeting.

**BY-LAWS:**

By-law #44-2014, being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Site Plan Agreement; Lot 1, Con. 2, 126 Doe Lake Peninsula was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #45-2014, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its August meetings was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

**REPORTS:**

Fire, Bob reported.

Library, Rod reported – meeting Oct. 6 for the budget, review job descriptions. Renovations are underway at the library building.

2014 office budget to actual report - everything looks fine, the Clerk was directed to accommodate for the re-shingling of the roof at Katrine Community Centre. Municipal parking lot will not get paved in 2014.

Building report was provided for review.

Staff report regarding the Katrine Community Centre roof was reviewed and Council have directed the Clerk to respond.

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Bob reported on 2014 Fall District meeting: 1) Dave Thompson provided an overview of EMS operation and have hired a new consultant to look at the overall delivery of ambulance services; 2) Mental health service overview; mental health has an open door drop in policy. 3) Susan Shannon, muniserve.ca – find consultants without having to go to all the big players, taken a lot of the smaller consultants and created a huge database; free for municipalities; 4) MPAC presentation; 2009-2014 still 199 outstanding appeals, they also provide a service for MPAC representatives to attend municipal offices for a day to answer questions directly from ratepayers.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Katrine Community Centre will be hosting Country Jamborees and considered community festivals, approved by resolution. Council also support the Volunteer Appreciation Night by resolution.

Recycling Council of Ontario have requested that Oct. 20-26, 2014 be declared Waste Reduction Week, this was supported by resolution.

The Township of Greater Madawaska requested support of a resolution regarding Bill 83, Protection of Public Participation Act, this was supported by resolution.

Double Hatter Firefighter resolution supported.

The Ontario Hockey Federation sent a letter regarding the collective goal of providing opportunities for Canadian youth through Hockey Canada sanctioned programs.

Highlights from Minister Meetings from the 2014 AMO conference were provided to Council for review.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

ROMA Insurance Program has notified all past members of the Special Underwriting Group 1 that reserve accounts have been assessed and the Township is responsible for paying a supplemental assessment. A resolution to include this assessment in the 2015 budget was passed.

An update from Tulloch Engineering regarding the paving of the municipal parking lot was reviewed. Council directed the Clerk to put the money budgeted for this project in reserves and re-address it in 2015.

Council was provided with the final submission for the OCIF funding request regarding Doe Lake Bridge for review.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

2015 joint service budgets were discussed and council requested correspondence be forwarded to Burk's Falls and Ryerson.

Two human resources policies were presented to Council for review. The Salary Administration Procedure and Performance Measurement Program were approved by resolution.

Bruce Campbell, representative for the North Bay Parry Sound Public Health Unit provided a report and indicated that a new representative will need to be chosen to sit on the Health Unit Board.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Resolution passed to move into closed session at 9:56 p.m.

Resolution passed to move out of closed session at 10:55 p.m.

Jerry Brandt left the closed session at 10:21 p.m.

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**RESOLUTIONS:**

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9, 2014, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the statutory public meeting regarding the S-012/14 Ferrante Subdivision application held on September 9, 2014, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby accept the request for proposal submitted by \_\_\_\_\_, in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ including taxes for the purchase of \_\_\_\_\_. Tabled

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #44-2014 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a site plan agreement with respect to Lot 1, Concession 2, Lot 48 in Registered Plan No. 184, also known as 126 Doe Lake Peninsula 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 Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #45-2014 being a by-law to confirm the meetings of Council at its August 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 Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour recognize that the Katrine Community Centre will be hosting Country Jamborees on the following dates: October 11, October 26, November 8 and December 13 and that they consider them to be community events. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour recognize that the Katrine Community Centre will be hosting a Volunteer Appreciation Night on November 29 and that they consider them to be community events. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour recognize the generation of solid waste and the needless waste of resources as global environmental problems and endeavour to take the lead in our community toward environmental sustainability. Council of the Township of Armour hereby declare October 20 to 26, 2014 to be Waste Reduction Week. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby support the resolution from the Township of Greater Madawaska regarding Bill 83, the Protection of Public Participation Act, 2014. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelocok, **WHEREAS** the training and certification of professional firefighters is established and mandated by the Province of Ontario under the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997*;

**AND WHEREAS** it is the responsibility of municipalities to establish fire departments and appoint fire chiefs to provide fire protection services as they determine may be necessary in accordance with their needs and circumstances;

**AND WHEREAS** many Ontario municipalities rely on both full time and volunteer firefighters in order to provide fire protection;

**AND WHEREAS** the International Association of Fire Fighters ("IAFF") Constitution prohibits full time firefighters from volunteering as firefighters in another municipal jurisdiction (i.e. "Double Hatting");

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**AND WHEREAS** the IAFF's stance on Double Hatting is specifically prohibited by legislation in almost all provinces in Canada and much of the United States;

**AND WHEREAS** a volunteer firefighter in the Innisfil Fire and Rescue Service is challenging the IAFF ban on Double Hatting and their expulsions from that union because of his desire to continue volunteering while being employed as a full-time firefighter in another jurisdiction;

**AND WHEREAS** the right of individuals to use their free time in service of their community is a fundamental right in a free, open and democratic society.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Armour requests that the Province of Ontario amend the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997* with respect to salaried firefighters who also work as volunteer firefighters, such that if a person is denied membership in an association of firefighters, is expelled or disciplined by the association or engages in reasonable dissent within the association in connection with this kind of dual role, the association is not permitted to require the employer to refuse to employ the person as a salaried firefighter, terminate his or her employment as a salaried firefighter or refuse to assign the person to fire protection services. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour agree to pay a supplemental assessment of the ROMA Insurance Program in the full amount and agree to budget for this expense in the 2015 municipal budget. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the Salary Administration Procedure Policy No. C 3.01 and to become effective October 1, 2014. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the Performance Management Program Policy No. C 3.02 and to become effective October 1, 2014. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move into closed session at 9:56 p.m. as per Section 239(2)(b) and (e) of the Municipal Act, personal matters about an identifiable individual, litigation or potential litigation. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn and move out of closed session at 10:55 p.m. Carried

Moved by Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the minutes of the closed meeting held on September 9, 2014 at 8:23 p.m., as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the minutes of the closed meeting held on September 9, 2014 at 10:21 p.m., as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 10:58 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled for October 14, 2014, or at the call of the Reeve. Carried

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REEVE

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CLERK ADMINISTRATOR