

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

**MINUTES**

October 28, 2014

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, October 28<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 participated in the closed portion of the meeting only via teleconference; Guests, Marina Hammond; Staff, Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator and Melinda Torrance, Deputy Clerk.

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

The minutes of the 6:30 p.m. public meeting held on October 14, 2014 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the 6:45 p.m. public meeting held on October 14, 2014 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on October 14, 2014 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the Tri R Committee meeting held on August 6, 2014 were approved as circulated.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None

**CLOSED SESSION**

Moved into closed session at 7:07 p.m.

Moved out of closed session at 7:38 p.m.

**DELEGATIONS:** None

**APPLICATIONS:** None

**BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Two Council members visited property at Con. 8, Lot 12 to view ditching and possible clay sediment that is claimed to be a cause of low water levels in the dug well. Council directed the Clerk to respond to Paul Fowler in a letter.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015 draft Tri R waste management budget was provided for council's review. Overall, the Tri R waste management budget will see a 13% decrease.

**QUOTES:**

Two quotes were received for snow removal at the municipal office for the 2014– 2015 winter season. The quote submitted by MTS was awarded by resolution.

**BY-LAWS:**

By-law #49-2014, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of council at its September meetings was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

**REPORTS:**

Library, Rod reported.

Steering, no report.

CDO, Wendy and Rod reported. The RED application for digital projector at the theatre was approved.

Building permit report was provided for review.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Request for donation from the Burk's Falls Royal Canadian Legion was supported by resolution.

Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare Unit announced that the x-ray services at the Burk's Falls Health Centre will be moving to a three-day-a-week model on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays starting January 2015.

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The Village of Burk's Falls requested a letter of support be submitted to the Ministry of Transportation requesting the province to take back the Armstrong bridge.

Notice of a Steering meeting that is being held in November at the OPP station presenting the OPPs plans for the future in our area.

AMO notification that two previous Bills have been introduced in the road safety legislation.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Katrine Community Centre roof, resolution was passed accepting an amendment to the quote by MTS.

The proposal for the replacement on the Natural Gas Fired Heating Unit at the Landfill was awarded by resolution.

Resolution passed regarding the hiring of Jean(John) Theriault and change of hours for Jamie Hellam.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The 2015 BARCEDD, Fire, Arena, RTO, Rabies Clinic, Lakeview Tower draft budgets were provided for review.

The draft Tri council meeting agenda was presented for review and discussion.

The re-paving of the municipal parking lot is being put on hold until a later date.

The staff report for council's consideration regarding the Christmas season was tabled.

The request for employee's to have dental benefits was supported by resolution.

Lease agreements for two properties were discussed and the Clerk was directed to contact the lessee's and prepare renewals.

Council have supported purchasing new council chairs.

List of correspondence received and not on agenda was provided for review.

Council was provided with voter kit processing particulars regarding the 2014 election.

**APPROVAL OF CLOSED MINUTES:**

The minutes of the closed meeting held on October 14 at 8:02 p.m., 2014 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the closed meeting held on October 14 at 11:32 p.m., 2014 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the Tri R closed meeting held on August 6, 2014 were approved as circulated.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the 6:30 public meeting held on October 14, 2014, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the 6:45 public meeting held on October 14, 2014, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on October 14, 2014, as circulated. Carried

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Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the Tri R Committee meeting held on August 6, 2014, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move into closed session at 7:07 p.m. as per Section 239(e) and (f) of the Municipal Act, litigation or potential litigation, advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn and move out of closed session at 7:38 p.m. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the quote submitted by MTS in the amount of \$350 + HST for snow removal at the municipal office for the 2014-2015 season. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #49-2014 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its 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 Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation in the amount of \$165.00 to the Burk's Falls Royal Canadian Legion. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the additional cost submitted by MTS in the amount of \$1,054.52 for the re-shingling of the roof at the Katrine Community Centre. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the quote submitted by Boyes Electric Plumbing and Heating in the amount of \$4,943.75 for the replacement of the natural gas fired heating unit at the landfill and work to be completed by November 28, 2014. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour authorize the hiring of Jean (John) Theriault to be a permanent full time employee in the position of Treasurer starting November 3, 2014. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour support the recommendation to change the employee status of Jamie Hellam to a full-time position effective November 1, 2014. Carried

Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, Whereas the Council of the Township of Armour wish to acknowledge the dedication, commitment and work ethic of their employees;

Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Armour agree that effective December 2014, all office staff will receive the days the municipal office is closed for the Christmas season as paid time off and they are not required to use regular vacation time. Tabled

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour agree to pay the annual premium costs in order to provide dental benefits for Armour township employees to be effective January 1, 2015. 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 October 14, 2014 at 8:02 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 October 14, 2014 at 11:32 p.m., as circulated. Carried

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Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Bob MacPhail, That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 10:08 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for November 11, 2014 or at the call of the Reeve.  
Carried

Original Signed by Bob MacPhail \_\_\_\_\_  
REEVE

Original Signed by Wendy Whitwell \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK ADMINISTRATOR