

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

November 12, 2013

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Jerry Brandt, Marty Corcoran, Pat Hayes, Rod Blakelock; Delegations, Rebecca Keown, Keith McCoy, Road Supervisor; Guests, Marilyn Keown, Jonathon Miller, Lanny Dennis, Richard Jeffery, Howard Gracie, Alice Evangelista, Ron Young, Dan Spoelstra; Staff, Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the regular meeting held on October 29, 2013 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of the public meeting for Official Plan Amendment No. 2, Pickerel Lake Recovery Centre held on October 5, 2013 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS:

➤ Marilyn and Rebecca Keown attended to discuss the municipal park, Concession 14, Part Lot 30. The park was donated to the Township of Armour by the late Arthur and Annie Eliza Dobbs. Rebecca is requesting the Township consider naming the park in memory of the Dobbs and installing a memorial. Access to the park is via a deeded right of way crossing Rebecca's property and she would like council to consider naming this access road Harmer Lane. Council indicated their support, the clerk will investigate options for the memorial and advise the Keown. Marilyn and Rebecca were thanked for bringing this suggestion forward.

➤ Keith McCoy, Road Supervisor attended to discuss the following:

Staff report dated November 12, 2013 advising council of the recent signing of municipal property including the municipal gravel pits and garage as "No Hunting"; 2014 construction projects; signs for First Avenue have been ordered; Liebherr excavator hours of operation for this season and request to remove this equipment from the surplus equipment list. Council support this request,

Road accounts for November, approved by resolution,

OGRA/ROMA Conference, resolution passed to register Jerry Brandt and Keith McCoy,

Budget to actual, October 31, 2013

BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING:

- Request from CUPW to support Canada Post and postal banking was supported by resolution.
- An update was provided from the Concerned Almaguin Parent's Coalition announcing that the Almaguin Accommodation Review Committee voted in favour of a motion to push the next meeting well into 2014 regarding the closure of schools in the area.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

- road accounts voucher #11-2013 was approved by resolution
- general accounts voucher #11-2013 was approved by resolution
- Tri R waste management accounts voucher #11-2013 was approved by resolution

BY-LAWS:

By-law #47-2013, to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 2, Pickerel Lake Recovery Centre was read a second time.

By-law #48-2013, being a by-law to enter into a lease agreement for 12 Three Mile Lake Road was read a first, second and third time.

REPORTS:

- Tri R, Pat reported.
- Regional Training Officer – Bob and Marty reported.

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- Planning Board meeting was cancelled.
- 2012-2013 library statistics were provided to council for review.
- Tri Committee – minutes included. Several resolutions were presented to council for approval.
- First draft of the Economic Development Plan was provided to council for input and approval. A draft operating and management agreement was also provided for input.
- Staff report from the treasurer requesting if council wishes to be a part of the Top Aggregate Municipalities of Ontario committee was declined.
- Staff report from the treasurer regarding the 2013 budget vs. actual as of October 31, 2013 for 2013 general and roads was provided to council for review.
- Staff report from the Clerk outlining recommendations for administrative purposes between Tri R and Armour township.
- Staff report regarding Christmas bonuses was supported by resolution.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- AMO news update regarding Bill 36, the *Local Food Act*, passed its third reading.
- South Almaguin Highlands Economic Development Committee provided minutes from the October 7, 2013.
- Ontario Good Roads Association reported on its nominations for 12 directors.
- Request for donation from the Parry Sound District EMS was supported by resolution.
- Request of donation for the annual Christmas Parade in the Village of Burk's Falls was supported by resolution.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- Proposed resolution to cancel the regularly scheduled council meeting for December 24, 2013 was approved by resolution.
- Annual cemetery grant allocations were approved by resolution.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 29, 2013, as circulated. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the minutes of the statutory public meeting held on October 5, 2013 for the Armour Township Official Plan Amendment No. 2, as circulated. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby authorize the registration of Jerry Brandt and Keith McCoy to attend the 2014 ROMA/OGRA Conference February 23 – 26, 2013, Toronto and agree to pay for out of pocket expenses related to same. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby read By-law # 47-2013, being a by-law to adopt Amendment Number 2 to the Armour Township Official Plan, (Pickrel Lake Recovery Centre) a second time. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, Whereas the federal government will look at how it handles public postal services with a review of the Canadian Postal Service Charter in 2014;

Whereas the government could use the Charter review to reduce our public post office's obligations to provide service (instead of improving the charter) and even lay the groundwork for privatizing or deregulating Canada Post;

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Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Armour support establishing a reasonable, uniform and democratic process for making changes to the postal and delivery network (closures, downsizing, removal of rural mailboxes, etc.) but only after consultation with the public and other stakeholders. Carried

- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve payment of Road Accounts Voucher # 11-2013, in the amount of \$10,012.62 for payment and authorize the Reeve and Treasurer to sign cheques for same. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve payment of General Accounts Voucher # 11-2013, in the amount of \$112,619.22 for payment and authorize the Reeve and Treasurer to sign cheques for same. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve payment of Tri R Waste Accounts Voucher # 11-2013, in the amount of \$23,916.70 for payment and authorize the Reeve and Treasurer to sign cheques for same. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That leave be given to introduce a bill # 48-2013 being a by-law to enter into a lease agreement for 12 Three Mile Lake Road with Ilze Kablinger. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That By-law # 48-2013 be read a second time. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That By-law # 48-2013 be read a third time, signed and the seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in open Council this 12th day of November, 2013. Carried
- Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby support the Township of Ryerson as the lead municipality for the Burk's Falls, Armour and Ryerson Economic Development Committee and support an application for funding from the NECO Local Initiatives Contribution Fund (LIC) program. This application is in support of the initiatives of the Economic Development Committee. Carried
- Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby support the Township of Ryerson applying for funding from the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines program Northern Communities Investment Readiness (NCIR) program on behalf of the Burk's Falls, Armour and Ryerson Economic Development Committee. Carried
- Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, Whereas at the recent Tri Committee meeting with Township of Armour and Village of Burk's Falls the consensus was that the municipalities will each put their share of the projected Economic Development 2013 budget under expenditure of \$6,000.00 into a reserve specified for use by the Community/Economic Development Committee to offset related funding applications in the 2014 budget.

Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Armour agree to place their share of the 2013 under expenditure into a reserve as specified. Defeated

- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, Whereas at the Tri Committee meeting October 28, 2013 a presentation was made of a cost sharing formula;
And Whereas the consensus appeared to be that the cost sharing formula as presented: Burk's Falls 23.1%, Armour 49.7% and Ryerson 27.2% is acceptable;
Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Armour hereby accept the above formula effective January 1, 2014. Defeated

- Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, Where the Council of the Township of Armour have reviewed the Economic Development Plan for the Armour, Ryerson and Burk's Falls EDC Committee, dated October 2013.

Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Armour hereby endorse the plan and authorize the Reeve to sign required declaration. Carried

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- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby authorize the following Christmas Bonus as follows:
 - Road and office staff \$200.00
 - By-law enforcement \$200.00
 - Economic development committee volunteer(s) \$75.00
 - Library board \$75.00
 - Cleaning staff \$75.00 Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby authorize a donation in the amount of \$100.00 to the Parry Sound EMS, to be used for the East Parry Sound area 2013 Toy Drive. Carried
- Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby authorize a donation in the amount of \$150.00 to the 22nd annual Burk's Falls Christmas parade. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby cancel the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 24th, 2013. Carried
- Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby authorize a donation in the amount of \$200.00 to the following local cemeteries. Berridale, Berridale Catholic and Burk's Falls. Carried
- Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn this regular council meeting at 9:55 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for November 26, 2013, or at the call of the Reeve. Carried

REEVE

CLERK