

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

## **MINUTES**

September 24, 2013

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Jerry Brandt, Marty Corcoran, Pat Hayes, Rod Blakelock; Delegations, Jenny Thomas, George Dingman, Lanny Dennis and Garry Jenereaux; Guests, Karen Kowalchuk; 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 10, 2013 were approved as circulated.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None

### **DELEGATIONS:**

- Jenny Thomas attended the council meeting to propose that council invest some financing to establish hiking and walking trails on the southern portions of three lots under her ownership. Gaining access to these lots would require continuing opening up the road allowance on Woods Road going north. Ms. Thomas was generously offering her properties to be available to the public for this use. Council explained that there are factors to consider; liability concerns and insurance costs, utilizing the road allowance to access the properties would require a substantial amount of money to bring the road up to provincial standards and the continuing maintenance costs as well as spending taxpayers' money to develop private land. Council thanked Ms. Thomas for her offer but unfortunately will not pursue this development at this time.
- George Dingman attended to express his concerns regarding the condition of roads and culverts within the township. Mr. Dingman also discussed the recent culvert replacement on South Horn Lake Road near his property and the fact that the water running out of the culvert is flooding the surrounding trees and are dying. In Mr. Dingman's opinion the whole culvert replacement procedure was done incorrectly. Council advised Mr. Dingman that they will be discussing this with the Road Supervisor. Mr. Dingman also inquired about how to proceed with a request to use a road allowance. Mr. Dingman was advised to contact the Clerk wherein he can receive further instructions.
- Lanny Dennis, Wayne Simpson & Associates, Agent for Garry Jenereaux attended the council meeting to propose three options regarding a structure that Mr. Jenereaux built located on 589 Berriedale Road. Council listened to the options Mr. Dennis presented and are awaiting further information to make a final decision.

### **BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING:**

- Reports for Speed Signs and Stop Signs were provided to council to assist in the decision making on updating both by-laws. A speed limit and stop sign by-law will be provided to council for the next council meeting.
- Fire Employment Policy – a revised version of this policy was provided to council for input, limited changes were made and are reflected in the resolution.

### **BY-LAWS:**

By-law #41-2013, to stop up and close and convey shore road allowance, Concession 10, Lot 30 (Mannen) was read a first, second and third time.

By-law #42-2013, confirming the proceedings of council was read a first, second and third time.

### **REPORTS:**

- Fire, Bob & Jerry reported.
- Library, Rod reported that the committee is reviewing policies for updating.
- Arena, Pat reported.
- South East Parry Sound Regional Fire Training, September 5, 2013 minutes were provided for review.
- Shared Services, Bob reported.

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- Katrine Community Centre, Pat reported that all the renovations are 100% complete.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

- The City of Kenora requested councils support for a provincial ban of flying lanterns.
- Donation request for the Bancroft & Hastings Highlands Disaster Relief Committee was not supported at this time.
- The 2013 Almaguin Highlands Sweater Weather Tour will be taking place on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Minister of Northern Development and Mines provided an update on the government's efforts surrounding the Ontario Northland Transportation Commission.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- The Municipal Planner's Report on application by 2293398 Ontario Inc. to amend the Armour Township Official Plan, 2159 Pickerel & Jack Lake Road was provided to council for review. No discussions will take place until after the statutory public meeting being held on October 5, 2013.
- Council discussed the Economic Development budget considerations and Joint Operation and Management Agreement.
- The Almaguin Highlands Information Centre 2006 Agreement was provided for information and an update on what was entered into with the Township of Perry. No action is required by staff.

### NEW BUSINESS:

The 1<sup>st</sup> Draft of the Economic Development Plan was reviewed and is going in the right direction.

List of correspondence received, not on agenda was provided to council.

### RESOLUTIONS:

- Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 10, 2013, as circulated. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby approve the Fire Employment Policy received September 20, 2013 subject to the following changes; 1) that the positions of Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Inspection be removed from the Organization Chart on Schedule "D", and 2) Employees be replaced with Employment Review Committee in Section 2. Scope. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That leave be given to introduce bill #41-2013 being a by-law to stop up and close and convey the original shore road allowance on Concession 10, Lot 30, Pickerel & Jack Lake Road (Mannen). Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That By-law #41-2013 be read a second time. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That By-law #41-2013 be read a third time, signed and the seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in open Council this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013. Carried
- Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That leave be given to introduce a bill #42-2013 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting. Carried
- Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That By-law #42-2013 be read a second time. Carried

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- Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marty Corcoran, That By-law #42-2013 be read a third time, signed and the seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in open Council this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013. Carried
- Moved by Marty Corcoran, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby supports the City of Kenora resolution regarding a ban of flying lanterns. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move into closed session at 9:50 p.m. as per Section 239 (a) (e) (f) of the Municipal Act, security of property of the municipality or local board, litigation, advice subject to solicitor-client privilege. Carried
- Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move out of closed session at 10:50 p.m. Carried
- Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn this regular council meeting at 10:51 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for October 8, 2013, or at the call of the Reeve. Carried

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CLERK