

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

September 8, 2015

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock, Jerry Brandt, Marina Hammond, and Pat Hayes; Delegations: Stephen Tunks, Abundant Solar Energy; Ted Shelley, Almaguin Anglers Kids Fishing Derby; Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor; Guests: Robert Miller, Planner; Paul Schaeffer, Chief Building Official; John Stark, Fire Inspector; Martin Payge, Fire Prevention Officer; Jeff Allen, Paula Tough, Staff: Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator; and John Theriault, Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the regular meeting held on August 25, 2015 were approved as circulated.

CLOSED SESSION:

Moved into closed session at 6:35 p.m. as per Section 239(2) (e) of the *Municipal Act*, litigation including matters before administrative tribunal.

Moved out of closed session at 7:15 p.m.

Council provided direction to the clerk regarding items from the closed session.

CONFIRMATION OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:

The minutes of the closed meeting held on August 11, 2015 were approved as amended.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

Jerry Brandt declared a pecuniary interest on item 10 of the agenda. The pecuniary interest being that the proposal is about a member of his family. Councillor Brandt left the meeting when item 10 was discussed.

Marina Hammond declared a pecuniary interest on item 6 of the agenda. The pecuniary interest is on an invoice being paid to her business.

DELEGATIONS:

Stephen Tunks – Abundant Solar Energy – Staff report was reviewed by council and a resolution passed. Mr. Tunks advised council that his company has criteria in place which make the solar installations screened from the road and neighbouring properties. Council approved in principle the criteria suggested by staff, by which Abundant Solar Energy must adhere to so a new project can be supported by the Township.

Ted Shelley attended to discuss the success of the Almaguin Kid's Fishing Derby and also discuss concerns regarding Doe Lake Road. Ted thanked council for the donation for the derby. The Reeve thanked the committee and the volunteers for their dedication and hard work year after year in support of the fishing derby.

Ted also raised a point that there are two curves which are dangerous due to poor visibility and sight lines. Brushing is required in these areas. He is asking the Township to brush both sides of the road and consider painting a line in the middle of the road. There is also a culvert which requires lowering. Parked cars on the road for extended periods of time are also causing concern for vehicles and walkers. The Road Supervisor will look into addressing these issues.

Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor, September road report. Questions were asked and answered.

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ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

The list of accounts for August 2015 was approved by resolution.

APPLICATION(S): None

BY-LAWS:

By-law #36-2015, being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Site Plan Agreement between Deborah Mary Allen (“developer”) and the Corporation of the Township of Armour with respect to Lot 18, Concession 3, being all of Lot 20 Register Plan M-101 and all of Part 8, Plan 42R-6944, also known municipally as 157 Sunnylea Avenue, Township of Armour was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-Law #30-2015 being a resolution to acknowledge a change in Schedule A of a By-Law to establish fees for various services of the Burk’s Falls and District Fire Department and to rescind By-law #12-2008 was read in its entirety and passed.

By-law #37-2015, being a By-law to appoint Jean (John) Theriault as Deputy Clerk was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #38-2015, being a by-law to appoint Alison McGregor as Deputy-Treasurer was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #39-2015, being a by-law to enter into a funding agreement with the Continuous Improvement Fund for a Recycling Project was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

A resolution was passed to approve a date change for the second meeting in September 2015.

John Theriault, Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk, provided a written report on the sidewalk clearing at the Township office for the 2015-16 winter season. A resolution was supported by Council to approve the recommendation.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A notice of public meeting for the new comprehensive zoning by-law for the Township of McMurrich/Monteith was received and circulated.

An announcement from the Provincial Government advising that they are implementing a new disaster recovery assistance program was received and circulated.

A letter from Steven Baker, President of Union Gas Limited, advising that an agreement was reached in principle with Trans Canada Pipeline that resolves their concerns and ensures natural gas consumers in Ontario will not be negatively impacted by the Energy East oil project was received and circulated.

A copy of a letter from the Rural Ontario Municipal Association to The Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting that the OCIF funding be made by allocation only and increased from \$100 million per year to \$6 billion per year was received and circulated.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Caldwell Consent B-008/15 – a report from GHD Limited evaluating the aggregate resources on the property was received and a report from our planner, Robert Miller, was received. A resolution was supported by Council to approve the recommendation from the planner.

Council continued their discussion regarding the buildings at 12 Three Mile Lake Road. This will be deferred until 2016 budget discussions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Phase II of the construction of the Health Unit's North Bay office. The Health Unit is requesting approval from a majority of the partner municipalities to go ahead to the construction stage for a new building. A resolution was passed.

A notice for the upcoming meeting of the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association was received. The Clerk was advised to register two council members and one staff member.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on August 25, 2015, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby move into closed session at 6:35 p.m. as per Section 239(2) (e) of the Municipal Act, litigation including matters before administrative tribunals. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That Council move out of closed session at 7:15 p.m. and reported. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the closed session held on August 11, 2015, as amended. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; Whereas Abundant Solar Energy Inc., 2405514 Ontario Inc., has provided information to Council and is requesting municipal support to locate Solar Non-Rooftop projects on the following properties, in the corresponding sizes, under the province's FIT Program:

1. 13 Garage Road, PIN 52145-0234, Project Size 500kw
2. 204 North Pickerel Lake Road, PIN 52138-0400, Project Size 500 kw
3. 10 Fox Lane, PIN 52147-0463, Project Size 500 kw
4. 2363 Chetwynd Road, PIN 52147-0051, Project Size 500 kw
5. 2100 Chetwynd Road, PIN 52147-0465, Project Size 500 kw
6. 1848 Pickerel & Jack Lake Road, PIN 52146-0365, Project Size 500 kw
7. 1375 North Pickerel Lake Road, PIN 52146-0109, Project Size 500 kw
8. 1106 North Pickerel Lake Road, PIN 52145-0179, Project Size 500 kw
9. 1360 Pickerel & Jack Lake Road, PIN 52146-0107, Project Size 500 kw
10. 221 Peggs Mountain Road, PIN 52143-0308, Project Size 500 kw

And Whereas pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 4.0 Applications whose Projects received the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Application being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Armour hereby authorize the Reeve to complete and sign the Prescribed Forms from the Independent

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Electricity System Operator (IESO) for Municipal Council Resolution Confirmation. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the August 2015 accounts, in the amount of \$474,629.68 for payment, and the Reeve and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign cheques for same. Pecuniary interest declared by M. Hammond. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved by-law #36-2015 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Site Plan Agreement between Deborah Mary Allen and Armour Township with respect to Lot 18, Concession 3, being all of Lot 20 Register Plan M-101 and all of Part 8, Plan 42R-6944, also known municipally as 157 Sunnylea Avenue, 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 Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved the amendment to Schedule A of by-law #30-2015 being a by-law to establish fees for the various services of the Burk's Falls and District Fire Department. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved by-law #37-2015 being a by-law to appoint Jean (John) Theriault as Deputy-Clerk for the Township of Armour 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 Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved by-law #38-2015 being a by-law to appoint Alison McGregor as Deputy-Treasurer for the Township of Armour and that we authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. Pecuniary interest declared by J. Brandt. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have reviewed the staff report from Tri R Administrator, Amy Tilley regarding capital projects and funding and support the submission of an expression of interest to the Small Communities Fund with regard to the repairs required to the recycling facilities main building. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved by-law #39-2015 being a by-law to authorize the signing of the project letter of agreement, Community Improvement Fund 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 Council approve that the second meeting of September be held on September 29, 2015. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That Staff Report from the Treasurer dated September 8th, 2015, regarding winter sidewalk clearing at the Township office be received and that Council approve the renewal of the contract with Jonathan Miller for the winter sidewalk clearing at the Township office at the same cost as last winter. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That Council support the recommendation from our planner, Robert Miller, and accept the Technical Report by GHD Limited dealing with consent application B-008/15 and clear the first condition of Motion #6 passed on May 12, 2015. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approves the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit's proposal to construct a new building for its use on land owned by the Health Unit on Oak Street in North Bay, at a project cost not to exceed \$20M, exclusive of land, and that the project

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be funded by commercial borrowing to be repaid from its annual operating budget.
Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 9:07 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for September 29, 2015, or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Original signed by Bob MacPhail

REEVE

Original Signed by Wendy Whitwell

CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR