

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

August 14, 2018

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock and Pat Hayes; Absent: Councillors Jerry Brandt and Marina Hammond; Guest: Willy Hollett; Staff: John Theriault, Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator and Charlene Watt, Deputy-Clerk.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the regular meeting held on July 24, 2018 and of the special meeting held on July 31, 2018 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

Councillor Pat Hayes declared a conflict of interest on item #4 – accounts for approval, he is the owner of a business for which the Township is paying an account.

DELEGATIONS: None

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

The list of accounts for August 2018 was approved by resolution.

APPLICATIONS:

Council reviewed an application to close and sell a shore road allowance in front of 219 Dobbs Road. Questions were asked and answered. Council passed a resolution supporting the application.

Council reviewed an application for a site plan agreement from Glen and Korrie Alexander for Part of Lot 15 Concession 10, Plan 42M-642 Lot 4 described as 523 Owl Lake Road. Council passed a resolution to proceed with the drafting of the site plan agreement.

BY-LAWS:

By-law #40-2018 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for June and July 2018 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

Council reviewed the July 31, 2018 financial statement.

A verbal report was given on the last BACED meeting. Questions were asked and answered.

Council reviewed the August 2018 Building Department report.

Council reviewed the May 16, 2108 Library Board minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter was received from the Township of Howick requesting Council's support in requesting that the Bereavement Authority allow borrowing of funds from the Care and Maintenance Fund for capital improvements and purchases for cemeteries when other funds are exhausted. Council passed a resolution of support.

A letter was received from the Township of North Stormont requesting Council's support in requesting that the Province pay for any costs municipalities could inherit from Green Energy Projects. Council passed a resolution of support.

A letter was received from the City of Niagara requesting Council's support in standing together with AMO, the Federal Government and the Provincial Government in an effort to protect jobs and local economies which may be affected by trade disputes and ongoing trade agreement negotiations. Council passed a resolution of support.

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CORRESPONDENCE cont'd:

A letter was received from the City of Toronto requesting Council's support in requesting that the Chief Coroner of Ontario hold an inquest into gun violence related deaths in Toronto. Council passed a resolution of support.

A news release was received from the Province advising that the Ontario Government was taking real action against guns and gangs.

A copy of a resolution was received from the Township of Machar supporting MPP Norm Miller's petition which requests that core hospitals be maintained in Huntsville and Bracebridge.

Council received and reviewed the labour focus report for July 2018.

Council received and reviewed an AMO communication concerning the Province announcing new legislation impacting municipal government and changes to the cannabis implementation.

A letter was received for the OPP confirming a five year extension to our 911 agreement with them.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council received and reviewed the list of nominations and acclaimed candidates for the 2018 municipal election.

Council reviewed a letter sent by Armour to Northland Power advising that they have met condition 5 for the transfer of the Watt Farm House to the Township of Armour.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council received and reviewed the July 2018 Health Unit beach water testing report.

Council received and reviewed the public notice for an All Candidates Meeting on September 23, 2018.

Council received and reviewed a report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator regarding the Hwy 520 Industrial Park. The report includes some recommendations on what the next steps should be to market the property. Council passed a resolution approving the recommendations.

Council received and reviewed a report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator regarding the administration of economic development. The report includes a recommendation that offers Armour's services to administer economic development. Council passed a resolution approving the recommendation.

Council received and reviewed a report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator regarding the award of the tender for the Pickerel and Jack Lake Road Bridge replacement. Council was advised that because it is taking time to move the utilities, the contract may not be completed until next year; however, the tender included this possibility. Council passed a resolution awarding the contract.

Council received a request from the Katrine Leisure Club requesting that the Township apply for a grant to make some renovations to the senior's room and purchase some appliances. Staff was directed to look into a grant for this work, get a quote and include it in the 2019 budget.

RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on July 24, 2018, as circulated. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the special council meeting held on July 31, 2018, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Bob MacPhail, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the August 2018 accounts, in the amount of \$362,778.25, for payment and the Reeve and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign cheques for same. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby support in principle, the application submitted by David Christie to close and purchase the shore road allowance, lying in front of Concession 14, Part Lot 28, described as 219 Dobbs Road, on Pickerel Lake, subject to the following:

- completion of the required process including payment of all applicable fees and charges.

Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the application for site plan approval, submitted by Korrie Lynn Alexander and Glen William Alexander, Plan #M642, Lot 4, described as 523 Owl Lake Road, and request the municipal planner proceed with drafting the site plan agreement. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #40-2018 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the June 2018 and July 2018 Council 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 Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the Township of Howick and petition the Bereavement Authority of Ontario to amend Ontario Regulation 30/11 to allow borrowing of funds from the Care and Maintenance Trust Fund for capital improvements and purchases when other municipal cemetery funds are exhausted. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the Township of North Stormont and request that the Province of Ontario extend its areas of responsibility to include any costs that municipalities may have to inherit from Green Energy projects, such as water quality, site restoration and infrastructure repair. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the City of Niagara Falls and stands together with the Federal and Ontario governments in their efforts to protect Canadian jobs and local economies in regards to the North American Free Trade Agreement. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the City of Toronto in requesting that the Chief Coroner for Ontario hold an inquest into gun violence related deaths in Toronto and make useful recommendations directed to the avoidance of further deaths due to gun violence. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; That the Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated August 14, 2018, regarding the Highway 520 Industrial Park be received and that Council approve the following steps to be taken in the development of the Industrial Park:

1. That the conceptual plan for the development of the Industrial Park numbered 16-2985 of August 2016 be used as a basis for the development of the Industrial Park.
2. That municipal policies with respect to the purchase, development and sale of industrial lands be drafted for Council's review and approval.
3. That a Community Improvement Plan for the Industrial Park be drafted for Council's review and approval.
4. That the Administrator be given the authority to spend funds on a marketing plan and/or on the promotion of the Industrial Park up to a limit of \$10,000 for 2018.

Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock;
WHEREAS the Township of Ryerson has decided to stop administering the shared economic development service, known as BACED, as of December 2018;
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Armour has a vested interest in ensuring that economic development continues to be well administered for the area;
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Armour is willing to hire the Economic Development Officer as a permanent employee of the Township of Armour;
AND WHEREAS in the event that provincial and federal grants for economic development stop and that some area municipalities withdraw from BACED, the Township of Armour would continue having an economic development officer working for the betterment of the area;
AND WHEREAS the Township of Armour has the office space and the staff to efficiently administer the shared economic development service;
AND WHEREAS the Township of Armour would not ask for any compensation to administer the shared economic development service;
NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Armour is offering its services to administer the shared economic development service, known as BACED, beginning December 1, 2018.

Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Pat Hayes; THAT Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated August 14, 2018, regarding replacement of the Pickerel & Jack lake Road Bridge Tender be received and that Council award Tender 2018-04 to Fowler Construction Company Limited for a bid price of \$1,021,684.76 plus HST. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 7:39 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for August 28, 2018 or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Robert MacPhail, Reeve
Original Signed by Bob MacPhail

John Theriault, Clerk
Original Signed by John Theriault