

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

May 14, 2019

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 7:24 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock, Wendy Whitwell, Jerry Brandt and Rod Ward; Delegations: Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator and CEMC, Robert Miller, Planner; Guests: Marie Stitt, Sandra Anderson and Judy Ransome; Staff: Charlene Watt, Deputy-Clerk and John Theriault, Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 23, 2019 were approved, as circulated.

The minutes of the Emergency Management Control Group of April 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, May 2 and 7, 2019 were approved, as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS:

Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator presented her May 2019 report. The introduction of an organics program was discussed. Questions were asked and answered. Council requested that staff draft a resolution to request that the Province require that organizations which charge a deposit fee for bottles or cans also collect them. Council also requested that staff investigate the possibility of expanding our landfill site.

Amy Tilley, CEMC presented her report on the flooding that occurred in Katrine and what steps the Emergency Management Control Group took to assist residents. Questions were asked and answered.

Robert Miller, Planner presented his report on the latest changes to the Official Plan review, which is awaiting approval from the Ministry. Questions were asked and answered.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

The list of accounts for May 2019 was approved by resolution.

BY-LAWS:

By-law #31-2019 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a site plan agreement for 282 Skyline Drive was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #32-2019 being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 27-95 with respect to provisions applying to septic systems in all Zones and guest sleeping cabins on lands in the Rural (RU), Lakeshore Residential (LR) and Seasonal Residential (SR) Zones which front on navigable waterways was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #33-2019 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the month of April 2019 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

Council reviewed the Building Report for May 2019.

Council reviewed and discussed the arena report for April 2019. Council appointed an Armour Representative on the repurposing the upper level of the arena committee.

Council reviewed the May 2019 Planning report.

A verbal report was given on the work the ACED Terms of Reference Sub-Committee has completed. Questions were asked and answered.

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REPORTS cont'd:

A verbal report was given on the last Planning Board meeting. The May 22, 2019 Planning Board meeting has been cancelled.

Council reviewed the report on the last AHHC meeting. Questions were asked and answered.

Monthly DSSAB Meeting will be held on May 16, 2019.

The Reeve and the Clerk attended a meeting between surrounding municipalities and MTO to discuss current work being completed by MTO and how projects which need approval could be processed by MTO in an efficient manner. The municipalities and MTO agreed to meet yearly to obtain updates from MTO and discuss concerns. The Reeve and Clerk also discussed the development of the Highway 520 Industrial Park with MTO and requested that any permits needed for this property be issued promptly.

A verbal update was given on ASHH. There is still something in the works to disband the MAHC Board, but that is not within the ASH mandate.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A resolution was received from the Township of Mulmur requesting Armour's support on Aggregate Reforms. Council passed a resolution of support.

A resolution was received from the Township of Mulmur requesting Armour's support in requesting that the province reinstate library funding. Council passed a resolution of support.

A letter was received from the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School requesting support for their Graduation Awards Program. Council passed a resolution approving a donation.

A letter was received from the Region of Peel requesting Armour's support against the healthcare changes the province is implementing. Council passed a resolution of support.

An email was received from the Library Board requesting that Council adopt a resolution against the cuts in library funding. Council adopted the proposed resolution.

A letter was received from the Parry Sound Victim Assistance and Referral Service & Family Court Support Program requesting a donation to train their therapy dog. Council passed a resolution to approve a donation.

A letter was received from the Katrine Family Baseball Club requesting that the Township designate their annual baseball tournament as a Community Festival. Council passed a resolution to designate the event.

A news release was received from Ontario News advising that the Province is providing estate tax relief for families.

A news release was received from the Ministry of Transportation announcing measures to increase school bus safety.

A news release was received from Ontario News advising that the Province is acting to improve the OPP's workplace culture.

Council received an update on the floods in the area from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

A news release was received from Ontario News advising that the Province is welcoming a commitment from Toyota to produce a new compact luxury SUV at its Cambridge plant.

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CORRESPONDENCE cont'd:

Council received a capital plan development task force update.

Council was advised by MPAC that their 2018 annual report is available for review.

A news release was received advising that Ontario autism consultation are now open.

A news release was received from the Health Unit advising that Ontario Public Health Units are working together on climate change reports.

A news release was received from Ontario News advising that the Province is making home ownership affordable for more Ontario families.

A news release was received from Ontario News advising that the Province is introducing legislation to keep our roads safe, protect frontline workers, schoolchildren and motorcyclists.

A letter was received from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing advising of the changes the Province is making to provide more housing and to reduce the cost of housing.

An email was received from AMO giving Council their initial review of Bill 107, the Getting Ontario Moving Act, 2019 and Bill 108, the More Homes, More Choices Act, 2019.

A notice was received from the Province advising that the 2019-2020 annual work schedule for the French-Severn Forest was approved.

A news release was received from the Canadian Press advising that the Province has cancelled out-of-country OHIP coverage.

An article was received advising that the Province is bringing back the old OMB rules, but still keeping the board name as LPAT.

A letter was received from the OPP advising of what they have accomplished in 2019.

A warning letter was received from Health Canada advising of illegal marketing of infrared saunas to fire departments with false cancer prevention claims.

A letter was received from Good Roads advising that ROMA does not want to hold a combined annual conference with them.

An email was received from AMO advising municipal governments that the provincial budget is adding a financial burden on municipalities.

A news release was received from the Ministry of the Solicitor General advising residents to always be prepared for emergencies.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council reviewed the resolutions we received from Burk's Falls approving the shared services budgets for 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

A staff report on an amendment to the mileage rate policy was reviewed by Council. After some discussion, Council passed a resolution directing staff to bring back a by-law to approve the change.

A staff report on the tender for the boat launch was reviewed by Council. After some discussion a resolution was passed to award the contract.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Rod Ward; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on April 23, 2019, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Rod Ward; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the Emergency Management Control Group meetings held on April 26, April 27, April 28, April 29, April 30, May 2 and May 7, 2019 as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Ward, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the May 2019 accounts, in the amount of \$286,562.20 for payment, and the Reeve and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign cheques for same. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Wendy Whitwell; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #31-2019 being a by-law authorize the execution of a Site Plan Agreement between Terrence Richard Petherick, Judith Ann Petherick, Lindsay Allison Buhler, and Kathryn Leah Birch and The Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour with respect to Lot 19 of Plan M270 and part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 21, Concession 3, being Part 13 of Plan 42R-7492, also known as 282 Skyline Drive in 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 Rod Blakelock, seconded by Rod Ward; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #32-2019 being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 27-95, as amended, of The Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour with respect to provisions applying to septic systems in all Zones and guest sleeping cabins (bunkies) on lands in the Rural (Ru). Lakeshore Residential (LR) and Seasonal Residential (SR) Zones which front on navigable waterways 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 Ward, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #33-2019 being a by-law to confirm the proceeding of Council at its April 2019 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 Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour appoint Rod Ward to represent the Township on the committee being created by the Village of Burk's Falls to discuss the repurposing of the upstairs hall of the arena. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Wendy Whitwell; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the resolution of the Township of Mulmur and request that the Provincial Government provide for municipal representation at future meetings related to the Aggregate Reform; that municipalities be provided authority to regulate hours of operation and haul routes within municipal boundaries; that if the Provincial level is accepted as a single level for applications, municipalities be provided a process through which to provide comments on aggregate extraction activities proposed within or in the vicinity of their boundaries; that the comments on "Cutting the Red Tape" provided by the Ontario Sand and Gravel Association be evaluated from the perspective of the local host community and ensure that there are mechanisms/processes in place to address impacts and that land unavailable for extraction due to changes on the rules to endangered and threatened species and other policies within the Natural Heritage System continue to be protected. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Rod Ward; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the resolution of the Township of Mulmur and request that the Province reconsider the 50% budget cut for Ontario Library Services and find other means to fund necessary library services. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour authorize a donation, in the amount of \$100, to the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School for the 2019 Graduation Award Program. Carried

Moved by Rod Ward, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the resolution from the Regional Municipality of Peel, Office of the Regional Chair that the overview of the provincial health system transformation be referred to the Health Services Integration Committee to monitor the issue and determine the role of Regions and Municipalities throughout the roll out of the plans and work with staff to report back to Council on details of the proposal and projected impacts of change together with regular staff communication on emerging issues. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Wendy Whitwell;

WHEREAS public libraries provide safe, inclusive, and vibrant community spaces where everyone is welcome to learn, work, connect, and have fun; and,

AND WHEREAS the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library actively partners with the community to deliver valued services and contribute to a culture of social good by sharing knowledge and resources; and,

AND WHEREAS the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library continues to deliver services that support provincial initiatives such as lifelong learning and skill development, local economic development, health literacy, and provides equitable access to government websites and services; and

AND WHEREAS the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library continues to manage public resources with the utmost care and are committed to the sustainability of their services; and

AND WHEREAS the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library requests that the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour Council urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the importance of services provided by Ontario Library Service - North and the Southern Ontario Library Service including the administration of bulk purchasing agreements, technology consultation, strategic planning and policy development consultation, the provincial Interlibrary Loan system, board and staff training opportunities, collection development support, support for First Nations libraries and the administration of the Joint Automation Server Initiative; and

AND WHEREAS the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library requests that the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour Council urge the Province of Ontario to restore funding to Ontario Library Service - North in recognition of the unfair and disproportionate impact of these cuts on Northern Ontario public libraries, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour Council supports the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library's request for the Government of Ontario to restore funding to Ontario Library Service-North; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour Council urges the Province of Ontario to support sustainable long-term funding for Ontario's Public Libraries; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Office of the Premier, to the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport, to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs, to the local MPP, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, to the Ontario Library Association, and to the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Rod Ward; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation, in the amount of \$200, to the District of Parry Sound Victim Crisis Assistance and Referral Service & Family Court Support Program for training a Therapy Dog to provide affection and a sense of comfort to individuals in need. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour designate the annual baseball tournament held at the Katrine Community Centre by the Katrine Family Baseball Club on July 5, 6 and 7, 2019 as a Community Festival. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Wendy Whitwell; That the Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated May 14, 2019, regarding an amendment to the mileage rate policy be received and that Council direct staff to bring forward a by-law to approve the proposed amendment to the mileage rate policy. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated May 14, 2019, regarding construction of a boat launch at Doe Lake Park be received and that Council award this contract to Fowler Construction Company Limited for a tender price of \$100,970 plus HST. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Wendy Whitwell; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 9:55 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for May 28, 2019 or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Original Signed by Bob MacPhail

Robert MacPhail, Reeve

Original Signed by John Theriault

John Theriault, Clerk