

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

August 22, 2017

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock, Pat Hayes, Jerry Brandt and Marina Hammond; Delegations: Jo Ann Bailey and Diana Gardner, 1041 Skyline Drive and Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator; Guests: Judy Ransome and June Crawford; Staff: Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator and John Theriault, Treasurer/Deputy-Treasurer.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the regular meeting held on August 8, 2017 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS:

Jo Ann Bailey and Diana Gardner attended to discuss the proposed site plan agreement for 1041 Skyline Drive. Jo Ann provided a copy of the executed amended Nutrient Management Strategy approved by OMAFRA on August 17, 2017. Council reviewed a report from Planner, Robert Miller, dated August 21, 2017. Bailey's have been advised the site plan drawing must include a 100-foot setback, with no pasturing permitted in the setback area, as per the zoning by-law. After some discussion, it was agreed the site plan drawing would be amended to indicate a 100-foot setback. This plan will be sent to the planner to draft the site plan agreement.

Linda Maurer, who is moving out of the municipality, attended to thank Council for the virtuous work they have completed during the time she has been a ratepayer of the Township of Armour.

Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator, attended to discuss a report highlighting the benefits of purchasing a stationary compaction unit for the landfill. Council will meet with Ryerson and Burk's Falls on August 24, 2017 to submit the report.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL: None

APPLICATION(S):

Council reviewed and discussed a request for a site plan agreement submitted by Michael and Charlene Villeneuve for Concession 3 & 4 Part Lot 6 & 7, Reference Plan 42R-7239, Parts 1 & 2 on Ferguson Road. A resolution was passed to request the planner proceed with the drafting of the site plan agreement.

BY-LAWS:

Based on a recommendation from the Fire Marshall's Office, Council passed a resolution to rescind by-law #19-2011 which required carbon monoxide detectors in all residences. This requirement is now a provincial law.

By-law #43-2017 being a by-law to establish a fire department was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #44-2017 being a by-law to appoint a fire chief was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

Council received and reviewed a report on the August BACED meeting. Council passed a resolution supporting in principle, a regional economic development department.

Council received and reviewed a report on the Library meeting.

A verbal report was given on the August meeting of the Regional Fire Services Committee. The committee discussed a model organizational chart, which will be presented at the next regular meeting of Council.

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A report was provided on the meeting with the Almaguin District Snowmobile Club and the property owners effected by proposed trail improvements.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A request was received from the Municipality of Bluewater recommending the removal of the tax-exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials be applied to all levels of government. Council passed a resolution of support.

Council received a request to declare the event to be held at the Katrine Community Centre on November 24, 2107 as an event of municipal significance. Council passed a resolution to declare the event and to support an application for a special occasion permit.

Council reviewed the OPP crime statistics for April to June 2017.

Council reviewed the OPP calls for service report for April to June 2017.

A news release was received from FONOM advising that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is committing to delaying the posting of the draft species at risk guide.

Council received an invitation to attend a meeting on August 29, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Burk's Falls Arena to discuss health care and where the hospital(s) will be built.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council was advised that there has been more damage at Doe Lake Park and there is some dumping of garbage occurring in certain locations within the township.

The Regional Fire Services Committee wishes to renew the fire training program contract without going to tender. Council passed a resolution to approve the proposal from Mr. Gary Courtice, for a three (3) year extension of the fire training program that he currently provides and at the same costs.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council discussed a date for the annual staff appreciation barbecue. It will be held on September 7, 2017 from noon to 2:00 p.m. The municipal office will be closed to the public for the two hours.

Council requested that staff contact the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to paint lines on the Pickerel and Jack Lake Road and Berriedale Road extension.

The Clerk-Administrator tendered her resignation. Wendy Whitwell will retire on January 5, 2018. Council passed a resolution to accept the resignation and thank her for years of service.

CLOSED SESSION:

That the Council of the Township of Armour move into closed session at 10:01 p.m. as per Section 239.2(c)(e)(f) of the *Municipal Act*, a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality; and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Council moved out of closed session at 10:30 p.m. and reported.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Patrick Hayes, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on August 8, 2017, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the application for site plan approval, submitted by Michael and Charlene Villeneuve, Concession 3 & 4 Part Lot 6 & 7, Reference Plan 42R-7239, Parts 1 & 2 on Ferguson Road, and request the municipal planner proceed with drafting of the site plan agreement. Carried

Moved by Patrick Hayes, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour, following a recommendation from the Ontario Fire Marshall's Office and that provincial regulations have superseded this by-law, rescind by-law #19-2011, a by-law to require the installation and maintenance of carbon monoxide detectors. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #43-2017 being a by-law to establish a fire department 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 Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #44-2017 being a by-law to appoint a fire chief 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 support, in principle, the creation of a regional economic development department to provide economic development services to the Almaguin region. Carried

Moved by Patrick Hayes, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour support the resolution from the Municipality of Bluewater and requests that the removal of the tax-exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials be applied to elected officials at all levels of government. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That Council of the Township of Armour declare the event to take place at the Katrine Community Centre on November 24, 2017 as of municipal significance and support the application to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario for a special occasion permit for this event. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour, based on the recommendation of the Regional Fire Services Committee, approve the proposal, from Mr. Gary Courtice, for a three (3) year extension of the regional fire services training he presently provides. Furthermore, the cost of this service will remain the same as it presently is for the duration of the extension. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That Council of the Township of Armour accept with regret the resignation of Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator effective January 5, 2018. Furthermore, that Council thank Mrs. Whitwell for her excellent service over the past twenty-nine years and wishes her the best in her retirement. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour move into closed session at 10:01 p.m. as per Section 239.2(c)(e)(f) of the *Municipal Act*, a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality; and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby adjourn and move out of closed session at 10:30 p.m. and report. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 10:31 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for September 12, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve or the Clerk. Carried

Original signed by Bob MacPhail

REEVE

Original signed by Wendy Whitwell

CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR