

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

**MINUTES**

August 8, 2017

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Rod Blakelock, Pat Hayes, Jerry Brandt and Marina Hammond; Delegations: Jason Pidgen, By-law Enforcement Officer, Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator & Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor; Guests: Steven Thompson, Judy Ransome, Joanne Bailey, June Crawford and Anna Branch; Staff: Wendy Whitwell, Clerk-Administrator and Charlene Watt, Senior Administrative Assistant.

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the regular meeting held on July 25, 2017 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:**

Reeve Bob MacPhail, presented a Certificate to Jason Pidgen, By-law Enforcement Officer for the completion of Part 1 of the Certified Property Standard Training Officer Course and congratulated him on his achievement.

Amy Tilley, Waste Management Administrator, presented two reports:

1. Her monthly waste management report, which Council discussed and asked some questions which were answered.
2. A report on a draft agreement to provide administrative services to McMurrich/Monteith to proactively manage the disposal of mercury-containing lamps and mattresses. McMurrich/Monteith agreed to cover costs related to the disposal as listed in Appendix B of By-law 42-2017. McMurrich/Monteith Municipal Staff must deliver the material, not their residents.

Keith McCoy, Roads Supervisor gave a verbal report. Capital projects for 2017 have been completed. Council asked some questions, which were answered.

**ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:**

The list of accounts for August 2017 was approved by resolution.

**APPLICATIONS:**

An application for a zoning by-law amendment was submitted by Steven and Deborah Thompson, Plan M91, Part Block A, known as 66 Brown's Drive. The change requested is to permit the use of the property as a general automotive repair business, to be conducted in the detached garage with an existing detached residence on the property. A resolution was passed to direct our Planner to proceed with the rezoning procedures.

**BY-LAWS:**

By-law #39-2017 being a by-law to enter into a site plan agreement with Michael and Margaret Ruth Zrobin, 63 Lakeview Crescent, Plan M320, Lot 11 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #40-2017 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for July 2017 was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

By-law #41-2017 being a by-law to enter into a funding agreement with Continuous Improvement Fund for a Recycling Project was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

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By-law #42-2017 being a by-law to enter into an agreement for the administrative services of proactively managing the disposal of mercury-containing lamps, and mattresses with the Township of McMurrich/Monteith was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

### REPORTS:

Council reviewed the Staff Report dated August 8, 2017 from the Treasurer/Deputy Clerk regarding shipping containers and directed Staff to advise the owners of 1212 Chetwynd Road that the by-law will not be amended and that they will have to conform to it.

Council reviewed the August 2017 building report.

Council reviewed the South Almaguin Regional Fire Services Committee minutes dated July 20, 2017. A resolution was passed that the Council of the Township of Armour request the Township of Ryerson seek requests for proposal for contracted regional fire training to be effective upon the expiry of the current contract December 31, 2017; and that the Township of Ryerson notify the participating municipalities of contracting terms prior to entering into another contract.

Pat Hayes reported on a meeting with representatives of the Almaguin District Snowmobile Club.

Council reviewed the Fire Chief's report of July 26, 2017.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

A resolution was received from FONOM regarding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) draft Species at Risk (SAR) Guide to the Environmental Registry and lobby the Government of Ontario to extend the current Section 55 Regulation (exemption), which currently expires on June 30, 2018 for another 5 years recognizing that the Crown Forest Sustainability Act ensure that all forest management in Ontario provides for all 3 pillars of sustainable development – economic, social and environment. Council passed a resolution of support.

A letter was received from the Village of Burk's Falls defeating a resolution to spend any funds towards a recycling compaction unit at this time. A special landfill minor meeting will be scheduled with the Village of Burk's Falls.

A letter was received from the Ontario Good Roads Association requesting Council's support approving in principle its willingness to participate in an exercise with representatives from the Ministry of Infrastructure, the Ministry of Transportation, the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario and the Ontario Good Roads Association to determine the feasibility of Alternative Financing and Procurement with regards to the bundling of bridges and culverts into one contract. Council passed a resolution of support.

A letter was received from Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon requesting support for her private member's bill encouraging Council to write a letter of support to the Minister of Environment and urge him to adopt legislation in the provisions of Bill 141. Council supported the request.

Council received an invitation to attend the Magnetawan River Park Committee Meeting on August 18, 2017 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the Magnetawan Community Centre. A draft terms of reference was reviewed by Council. Council requested that Dave Gray, Community Economic Development Officer provide updates on the Committee status.

A letter was received from the Ministry of Community and Social Services inviting Council to participate in the District Social Services Administration Board Review. Reeve Bob MacPhail and Clerk-Administrator Wendy Whitwell expressed interest in attending. Only one elected official is required.

Council received a letter from Kim Baardolf thanking Council for officially naming and declaring public access to Halcyon Beach on Pickerel Lake.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Council reviewed the annual heating/hydro expenses for the Watt Century Farmhouse that are paid by Northland Power. Council expressed continued interest in having the Farmhouse gifted to the Township of Armour. Council directed Staff to contact Northland Power for further discussions.

Council reviewed the BACED municipal office digital sign layouts and support the sign with the green background.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Council reviewed the Environmental Canada Doe Lake Water level gauge and agreed with the report.

Council reviewed a NOHFC Community Capacity Building Initiative Program and supported, in principle, this Village of Burk's Falls project to hire a consultant to develop a Downtown Revitalization and Waterfront Master Plan.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on July 25, 2017, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the August 2017 accounts, in the amount of \$672,928.74 for payment, and the Reeve and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign cheques for same. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the application for a zoning amendment, submitted by Steven Charles and Deborah Ann Thompson, Plan M91, Part Block A, described as 66 Brown's Drive and request the municipal planner proceed with drafting the zoning amendment by-law. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township have read and approved by-law #39-2017 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Site Plan Agreement between Michael and Margaret Ruth Zrobin and The Municipal Corporation of the Township of Armour with respect to Lot 11, Plan M320, more particularly known as 63 Lakeview Crescent and 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 Pat Hayes, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law #40-2017 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its July 2017 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 Marina Hammond, seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law # 41-2017 being a by-law to enter into a funding agreement with the Continuous Improvement Fund for a Recycling Project 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 Jerry Brandt, seconded by Marina Hammond, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approved By-law # 42-2017 being a by-law to enter into an agreement for the administrative services of proactively managing the disposal of mercury-containing lamps, and mattresses and we authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto, as amended. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Marina Hammond, That the Council of the Township of Armour request the Township of Ryerson seek requests for proposal for

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contracted regional fire training to be effective upon the expiry of the current contract December 31, 2017; and further that the Township of Ryerson notify the participating municipalities of contracting terms prior to entering into another contract. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour support the resolution from FONOM regarding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) draft Species at Risk (SAR) Guide to the Environmental Registry and lobby the Government of Ontario to extend the current Section 55 Regulation (exemption), which currently expires on June 30, 2018 for another 5 years recognizing that the Crown Forest Sustainability Act ensure that all forest management in Ontario provides for all 3 pillars of sustainable development – economic, social and environment. Carried

Moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Jerry Brandt, Whereas the Township of Armour has an inventory of bridges and culverts that require and will require significant capital investments; and

Whereas, an Alternative Financing and Procurement approach may afford significant savings on the stewardship of municipal bridges and culverts; and

Whereas, the Alternative Financing and Procurement approach has been successfully employed in bridge bundling projects in other jurisdictions

Now Therefore, be it resolved that the Township of Armour approves in principle its willingness to participate in an exercise with representatives from the Ministry of Infrastructure, the Ministry of Transportation, the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario and the Ontario Good Roads Association to determine the feasibility of Alternative Financing and Procurement with regards to the bundling of bridges and culverts into one contract. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, seconded by Marina Hammond, Whereas the Village of Burk's Falls has submitted an application for funding to the Community Capacity Building Initiatives Program titled "The Road to Revitalization"

Whereas the Council of the Township of Armour understand the importance of projects that will improve and enhance and grow our community and see the benefit for such projects

Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Armour support in principle this project to hire a consultant to develop a Downtown Revitalization and Waterfront Master Plan. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, seconded by Rod Blakelock, That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 9:13 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for August 22, 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