

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

January 23, 2018

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors, Jerry Brandt and Marina Hammond; Absent: Councillor Pat Hayes and Councillor Rod Blakelock; Staff: John Theriault, Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator and Charlene Watt, Deputy-Clerk.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the regular Council meeting held on January 9, 2018 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS:

George Sterling, Municipal Representative for Eastholme Home for the Aged could not attend because of a prior commitment. The Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator discussed selling part of the Eastholme Home property for low income housing. Council was told that the Eastholme Home for the Aged Board is against this sale. The Board is concerned with low income renters not fitting in with older renters and making them move. This would defeat the purpose of the Eastholme Home for the Aged. The Board is requesting Council's support in refusing to sell the land. Council passed a resolution supporting the Board.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL: None

APPLICATIONS:

Council reviewed an application for a site plan agreement for Lot 3, Plan 42M-642, 465 Owl Lake Road. A resolution was passed to direct the Planner to proceed with drafting the site plan agreement.

Council reviewed consent application B-025/17, Part of Lot 6, Concession 8, 195 First Avenue. Council passed a resolution of support for this application.

BY-LAWS:

By-law #7-2018 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its December meetings was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

Council reviewed the summary 2017 Building Department Report.

Council reviewed the DSSAB Quarterly Report - December 2017 and were advised of the Township share of the 2018 DSSAB budget.

Council reviewed and discussed the 2018 terms of reference and workplan for BACED and passed a resolution of support.

Council reviewed the minutes of the January 15, 2018 meeting of the Historical Society.

Council reviewed the minutes of the January 18, 2018 meeting of the Magnetawan Waterways Committee.

A verbal report was given on the last meeting of the Regional Fire Services Committee.

A verbal report was given of the January 15, 2018 meeting of the KCC Club. Preparations are underway for the Winterfest Celebration.

Council reviewed the TRI Communal Landfill 2017 financial year end review report and the 2018 budget.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

Council received information from FONOM (Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities) that requests were sent out in November 2017 to the three main political parties for the province, seeking their vision for Northern Ontario. Only the Progressive Conservative Party responded to date. FONOM is encouraged by several commitments made by the Progressive Conservatives.

The Township Planner presented a work schedule and a budget to carry out the Township's 10-year Official Plan review. Council passed a resolution approving the work plan.

Council received a request for a donation from the Huntsville Salvation Army. Council passed a resolution supporting a donation.

Council received a request from the Ontario Goods Roads Association in requesting that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change take immediate steps to expedite the response process for Part II Orders or Bump-Up requests, as part of the s.61 review to improve MCEA process times and reduce study costs, that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change support changes to better integrate and harmonize the MCEA process with processes defined under the *Planning Act* and that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change amend the scope of MCEA reports and studies to reduce duplication with existing public processes and decisions made under municipal Official Plans and provincial legislation. Council passed a supporting resolution.

Council received a letter from the Town of Lakeshore asking for their support in urging senior governments in allocating infrastructure funding for storm water management and drainage improvements. Council passed a supporting resolution.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Council received a request from the Katrine Community Centre Club for a donation to support the Katrine Winter Carnival and permission to close the road to hold bed races. Council passed a resolution for a donation and to give permission to close the road.

Council received a request from the developer of the Ferrante subdivision to name the private road "Millie's Way". Council passed a resolution to support this request.

Council passed a resolution to approve a credit card for the Roads Supervisor.

Council discussed the draft shared services agreement and will send their comments to be included in the agenda for the TRI Council meeting of January 31, 2018.

CLOSED SESSION: Not required

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 January 9, 2018, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour does not support the sale of a part of the Eastholme Home for the Aged to develop low income housing. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour accept the application for site plan approval, submitted by Glennford Ramos and Ellen Florendo, regarding Lot 3, Plan 42M-642, 465 Owl Lake Road, and request the municipal planner proceed with drafting the site plan agreement. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour hereby support the lot addition/adjustment consent application B-025/17, 195 First Avenue, Part of Lot 6, Concession VIII, submitted by Sandra Dalene MacDonald subject to the following conditions:

- A zoning by-law amendment to recognize the substandard retained frontage. The retained lot in this application will inherit the substandard frontage at 195 First Avenue and will no longer be saved by Section 5.32(a) of the municipality's Zoning By-law.
- A right-of way consent for 205 First Avenue to legalize the neighbour's driveway access over the retained parcel as a component of this severance application.
- If the reference plan or other evidence discloses that the severed property contains a road deviation maintained by the municipality as a public road, then the applicant shall survey and transfer such a road deviation to the municipality. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt, That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #7-2018 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its December 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 Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour acknowledge and approve the 2018 BACED (Burk's Falls and Area Community Economic Development) Terms of Reference and Work Plan. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the Official Plan 10-year Review Work Schedule 2018 as presented by the Township Planner. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation in the amount of \$200.00 to the Huntsville Salvation Army to support their "Winter Relief" Program to help families who are experiencing hardship this winter. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt;

WHEREAS a coalition of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) and the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario have successfully applied to have a review of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process conducted under Part IV (Section 61) of the *Environmental Bill of Rights Act, 1993* (EBR Act);

AND WHEREAS impact studies and public meetings required by the MCEA process often take two years or more to complete before construction can commence;

AND WHEREAS the MCEA requirements to evaluate alternatives are often not well aligned with prior or municipal land use planning decisions;

AND WHEREAS analysis by the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO) has demonstrated that the time to complete an EA rose from 19 months to 26.7 months and costs went from an average of \$113,300 to \$386,500;

AND WHEREAS the Auditor General of Ontario has tabled recommendations for modernizing the MCEA process;

AND WHEREAS in spite of written commitments made by the Ministry of the Environment between 2013-2015, no action has been taken;

AND WHEREAS local projects that do not have the necessary approvals could lose out on the next intake of the Build Canada funding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Armour requests that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change take immediate steps to expedite the response process for Part II Orders or Bump-Up requests, as part of the s.61 review to improve MCEA process times and reduce study costs;

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AND FURTHER that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change support changes to better integrate and harmonize the MCEA process with processes defined under the *Planning Act*;

AND FURTHER that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change amend the scope of MCEA reports and studies to reduce duplication with existing public processes and decisions made under municipal Official Plans and provincial legislation. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond, That the Council of the Township of Armour support the Town of Lakeshore resolution and urge the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario to allocate infrastructure funding dedicated to municipalities for storm water management and drainage improvements. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation of \$500.00 to the Katrine Community Centre to support the 2018 Katrine Winter Karnival. Furthermore, that the Katrine Community Centre Club be given permission to close Brown's Drive on Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. to hold bed races. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour support the developer's request to name the private road "Millie's Way" in the Ferrante Subdivision File #S-02/14, Part Lot 5, Concession VI, having access to Ferguson Road. Furthermore, that the name of the private road "Millie's Way" be included in the subdivision agreement. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Jerry Brandt; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the issuance of a credit card from the Kawartha Credit Union to the Roads Supervisor. Carried

Moved by Jerry Brandt, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 8:50 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for February 13, 2018 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