

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

MINUTES

October 23, 2018

The regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Armour was held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Reeve, Bob MacPhail; Councillors Rod Blakelock and Marina Hammond; Absent: Councillors Pat Hayes and Jerry Brandt; Guest: Judy Ransome; 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 October 9, 2018 were approved as circulated.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

DELEGATIONS: None

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL: None

APPLICATION(S):

Council received a request from Doug and Tom Boyes to build a private road across the unopened road allowance between Lot 20 and Lot 21 in Concession 10 in Armour Township and requested permission to cut down trees, remove rocks, fill and grade the portion of the road allowance they will be crossing. A resolution was passed to grant permission with conditions.

BY-LAWS:

By-law #55-2018 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Village of Burk's Falls, the Township of Ryerson and the West Parry Sound Health Centre for the provision of dispatch services was read in its entirety and passed by resolution.

REPORTS:

BACED presented the Regional Economic Development Strategic Plan, which was reviewed by Council and approved by resolution. An interim budget for Economic Development was also presented and reviewed by Council. A resolution was passed to approve the required funding for 2019.

Council received and reviewed the minutes of the October 15, 2018 Historical Society meeting. Council agreed to pay for the engraving of a plaque to acknowledge volunteers that have passed away for their contributions to the Historical Society.

Council received and reviewed the minutes of the September 19, 2018 Library Board meeting.

Council received and reviewed the updated planning report from the Deputy-Clerk.

A verbal report was given on the last Katrine Community Centre meeting.

A verbal report was given on the last meeting the Reeves of Ryerson, Burk's Falls and Armour had concerning the Fire Department and how it is administered. A Tri Council meeting will be called to discuss the Fire Department.

A verbal report was made on the Red Gala Event. Peter Brooks was the guest speaker and spoke on millennials and their need to experience life and have a high quality of life. Almaguin Highlands needs to brand one thing that makes it special and unique and then promote it. This will attract people to the area.

Council requested an update on the paved shoulder that MTO is supposed to add to Ontario Street from the limit of the Village of Burk's Falls to Commercial Avenue. Staff will try to contact MTO to obtain an update.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

Council received and reviewed a letter from the organizers of the Burk's Falls Santa Claus Parade. Council approved a donation by resolution.

Council received an invitation to the annual Remembrance Day Service to be held on November 11, 2018 in Burk's Falls. Council passed a resolution approving a donation and the purchase of a wreath.

Council received and reviewed information on Bill 36 - Ontario Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act.

Council received and reviewed a news release concerning the province promoting health, community safety and the protection of youth.

A letter was received from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services advising municipalities that the province is repealing the Firefighter Certification regulation effective October 5, 2018.

Council received and reviewed the August 2018 monthly job report for our area.

Council received and reviewed the September labour focus report for our area.

Council received and reviewed a statement from the Finance Minister on the passage of the Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act, 2018.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council received and reviewed the minutes of the statutory public meeting held on October 9, 2018 for the review of the Official Plan.

A letter was received from the Historical Society thanking Council for their support for the Cookies with Mrs. Claus Celebration event. Council passed a resolution to approve a donation for this event.

A letter was received from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing giving Council an update on their review of the Official Plan Amendment No. 2.

A certificate was received from the Fire Protection Survey Services attesting that the Township of Armour has passed the requirements for the "Fire Department Water Tanker Shuttle Accreditation".

NEW BUSINESS:

Council received and reviewed a report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator regarding the refunding of training costs from the By-law Enforcement Officer. Council passed a resolution to reduce the amount to be refunded.

Council received and reviewed a report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator regarding the 2018 employee Christmas bonus. Council passed a resolution approving the recommended bonuses.

Council received a notice to attend the 2018 Emergency Management training exercise to be held on November 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Council discussed the 2018 Christmas Party. Staff was directed to consult with Burk's Falls and Ryerson to see if they would like to have a group Christmas Celebration.

Council received and reviewed a report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator regarding Tender #2018-06, the construction of a boat launch on Ferguson Road at the Doe Lake Park. Council passed a resolution not to award the tender.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on October 9, 2018, as circulated. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the request from Doug and Tom Boyes to build a private road across the unopened road allowance between Lot 20, Concession 10 and Lot 21, Concession 10 in Armour Township and give permission to cut down trees, remove rocks, fill and grade the portion of the road allowance they will be crossing under the following conditions:

- That the private road be built on land they own or have written permission to use;
- That any work done on the road allowance be approved by the Roads Supervisor;
- That the private road cross the unopened road allowance at a 90-degree angle.

Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour have read and approve By-law #55-2018 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Village of Burk's Falls, the Township of Ryerson and the West Parry Sound Health Centre for the provision of emergency dispatch services 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 approve the October 5, 2018 Regional Economic Development Strategic Plan as presented by Laridae. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a contribution of up to \$15,000 for the provision of Economic Development in 2019. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation of \$150 to the Burk's Falls Santa Claus Parade. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation of \$200 to the Royal Canadian Legion for a wreath and the Poppy Trust Fund. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour approve a donation of \$200 to the Burk's Falls and District Historical Society to support their "Cookies with Mrs. Claus" event. Carried

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That the Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated October 23, 2018, regarding the refunding of the training costs for the last two years from the By-law Enforcement Officer be received and that Council exempt the current By-law Enforcement Officer from the requirement of article 28.2 of the Township of Armour's Employment Policy. Defeated

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the reduction of the training costs to be refunded by the current By-law Enforcement Officer from two years to one year reducing the portion to refund to \$3,821.36. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated October 23, 2018, regarding the 2018 employee Christmas Bonus be received and that Council, in recognition of their appreciation of staff, approve an employee Christmas Bonus for 2018 as per the recommendation of the report. Carried

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RESOLUTIONS cont'd:

Moved by Marina Hammond, Seconded by Rod Blakelock; That Staff Report from the Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator dated October 23, 2018, regarding construction of a boat launch at Doe Lake Park be received and, since the lowest bid is outside of the 2018 budgeted amount for this project, that Council not award this contract. Carried

Moved by Rod Blakelock, Seconded by Marina Hammond; That the Council of the Township of Armour adjourn this regular council meeting at 9:17 p.m. until the next regular council meeting scheduled for November 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