

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ENNISKILLEN

TWELFTH MEETING

MINUTES

JUNE 15 2020

A meeting of the Council of the Township of Enniskillen was held on Monday June 15th 2020 at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held electronically using the internet. The public was able to view the meeting by following contact information found on the municipal website made available on June 15th 2020.

Present: Kevin Marriott, Mary Lynne McCallum, Wally Van Dun, Judy Krall and Chad Burke

Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Marriott requested that each member of Council declare an interest at the appropriate time within the agenda where an interest may exist.

A. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That the minutes of the meeting of June 1 2020 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

B. Interviews

Steve Outridge: 2019 Audit Presentation

Mr. Outridge discussed the role of his firm in conducting the 2019 financial audit for the municipality. He discussed the concept of materiality in relationship with the Township. He reported that the financial statements fairly represented the financial records of the municipality. He noted that the draft statements would be amended to place a comment on the impact of the Covid pandemic.

He reported that there was no material change in the value of fixed assets in the municipality.

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That the audited financial report be accepted.

Carried.

Drainage: Request for Drain Maintenance O'Dell Park Drain, Plympton Hunter Drain, McKenzie Drain

The Clerk reported that notices had been sent to property owners on three municipal drains indicating that work was being proposed and requesting information on whether additional work was required. Once this information was collected a determination would be made regarding how to proceed with work.

Presentation of Enniskillen Education Scholarships

Mayor Marriott noted that one of the two students selected to receive the Education Scholarship was present for the meeting. Mayor Marriott noted that Matthew Hoven would be attending Lambton College in the fall.

Mr. Hoven thanked Council for the financial support.

Mr. Hoven was interviewed by Heather Wright from the Petrolia Independent.

Water: Tenant Water Collection,

Mayor Marriott noted that additional information had been received regarding an outstanding water bill. Mayor Marriott questioned whether Council was prepared to make a decision regarding the matter.

Councillor Krall noted that the water consumed from the account should be paid. Councillor Van Dun recommended that the entire account be paid.

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor McCallum

That the outstanding water bill be reduced to \$312.29.

Carried.

Drinking License Renewal,

The Clerk noted that the Drinking water license renewal application had been received. Supporting information for the renewal was being prepared for submission in November of the current year.

Petrolia Water Agreement Amendment

The Clerk reviewed the Petrolia Water Purchase agreement with Council. The Clerk noted that the amended agreement was included in a bylaw for approval during the meeting.

Clerks Report – Update on Parks, Upper Tier tax payments

The Clerk noted that dust suppressant had been placed on gravel roads. Road grass mowing had commenced. It was noted that an advertisement would be placed in the local paper for hiring a new public works employee.

Water billings had been estimated for the current billing cycle. It was noted that one of three new water services had been installed.

Meter calibration had started. Maintenance work on some meters was required to finalize the project.

The opening of the municipal office was discussed with Council.

The Clerk reported that all reservations at the municipal parks had been cancelled for the summer season. Until the regulations regarding the pandemic were altered organized sports activities could not take place.

The Clerk reported on the payment requirements for the school boards and the County of Lambton.

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Burke

That the Township of Enniskillen make payments to the four school boards and the County of Lambton based on the amended schedule.

Carried.

C. Correspondence for information

1. Ontario Clean Air Alliance renewable future
2. Ontario Clean Air Alliance expansion of gas fired electricity
3. County of Lambton emergency control group May 29, June 1, 5th, 8th and 10th 2020
4. County of Lambton Council Highlights June 3 2020
5. County of Northumberland provincial wetlands
6. Puslinch support of Conservation Authorities
7. Puslinch support of review of Farm Property Tax Rate Program
8. Federal Gas Tax Program
9. Potential Amendments to processing of Provincial Offences
10. AMO Municipal Delegation Registration
11. County of Lambton Bylaw 10 and 16 of 2020 Tax Rates and closure of Tax Capping Program
12. Sarnia Rezoning Application parking of recreational vehicles
13. Ministry of Environment opening of Ontario Parks
14. Office of Premier plans to reopen post-secondary education

Moved by Councillor Van Dun

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That correspondence items 1-14 be received and filed.

Carried.

D. Correspondence requiring motions

1. Resolution Brantford Essential Workers Day
2. Resolution Fort Erie Essential Workers Day

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Burke

That the resolutions from Brantford and Fort Erie be supported recognizing March 17 as Essential Workers Day.

Carried.

3. Resolution Orangeville- Diversity Training for police services

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Burked

That the resolution from Orangeville regarding diversity training be supported.

Carried.

E. Accounts

Moved by Councillor McCallum

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That the accounts be paid as circulated:

Cheque: 14460-14487: \$ 271,192.95

Cheque: 14488-14499: \$ 22,978.83

Carried.

F. Bylaws

1. Bylaw 21 of 2020 Getty Drain

2. Bylaw 28 of 2020 Willow Swamp Drain

3. Bylaw 29 of 2020 Confirmation Bylaw

4. Bylaw 30 of 2020 Petrolia Enniskillen Water Agreement

Moved by Councillor McCallum

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That first and second reading be given to Bylaws 21, 28, 29 and 30 of 2020.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Burke

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That third and final reading be given to Bylaws 21, 28, 29 and 30 of 2020.

Carried.

G. Other Business

1. Huggett Temporary Use Bylaw

Councillor Van Dun discussed the commitment made by the property owner to continue cleaning the property of junk.

Moved by Councillor Van Dun

Seconded by Councillor Krall

That the temporary use agreement for the movie set be extended until June of 2023.

Carried.

2. Tourism Sarnia Lambton Virtual Fireworks

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Burke

That the Council of the Township of Enniskillen support the virtual fireworks to be undertaken by Tourism Sarnia Lambton.

Carried.

3. Memo Council Fencing Bylaw

A discussion took place regarding recent complaints associated with fencing within the Township.

4. Budget to May 31 2020

Councillor McCallum requested clarification on month over month changes in two expense accounts.

5. Memo Council Recycling transition

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That the AMO recycling resolution be forwarded requesting a producer transition date of September of 2023.

Carried.

6. Memo Road Closure

The Clerk reported that the Town of Petrolia boundary road closure decision was to be reconsidered due to the failure of the interested party to respond within a thirty day period.

7. Memo Noise Bylaw

A discussion took place regarding the off road vehicle bylaw. A discussion took place regarding how the bylaw could be amended. The Clerk was requested to review how other municipalities regulated such uses.

Councillor Krall reported that wood chips were being supplied from the Town of Petrolia for use at Enniskillen parks.

Councillor Krall requested that a new flag be installed at Krall Park.

Councillor McCallum thanked Councillor Krall for the volunteer work at the parks.

Councillor McCallum requested that gravel be placed on the western entrance to Krall Park.

Councillor McCallum noted that a swing was missing at Gorman Park. She requested that the weeds be addressed that were growing around the playground equipment in Gorman Park.

Councillor McCallum noted that the road sign on Prince Street be replaced as it was unreadable.

Councillor McCallum reported that a resident had noted that dog tags had not been delivered to their home for 4-5 years.

Councillor McCallum requested an update on the progress with the Conservation Authority regarding the Stewart Drain.

The Clerk noted that a meeting had been held with the Conservation Authority Staff and a permit application had been submitted for the proposed work.

Councillor McCallum questioned why the municipality did not place agenda items on the municipal website.

The Clerk noted that the process would require access to new software with its associated annual cost.

H. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Krall

Seconded by Councillor Van Dun

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

Mayor

Clerk