

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
August 8, 2017

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens, Councillors Michael Loney, Lori Ann Shortreed and Vernon Thompson; CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Foster.

Absent: Scott Kinnear.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof: None.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, August 8, 2017.

CARRIED.

2. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that the July 11, 2017 Regular Council Meeting and July 24, 2017 Special Council Meeting minutes, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, Ed Bullied, Deputy Public Works Superintendent and Bridget Foster, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer (from July 12, 2017 to August 8, 2017).

CARRIED.

4. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to submit a request for proposal to have a traffic impact study completed on the east end of Emo, along Hwy 11, to be prepared by Jeff Port.

CARRIED.

5. **Shortreed - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to increase Emo Toy Library rent to the Emo Public Library from \$8,496.00 (\$708.00/month) to \$8,666.00 (722.17/month).

CARRIED.

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6. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to apply maintenance charges of trimming grass and yard cleanup, following deadline of June 15, 2017, to the following properties, as per Property Standard By-law No. 99-01:

237 Front Street – Assessment Roll #45005 in the amount of \$200.00
36 Queen Street – Assessment Roll #25300 in the amount of \$200.00

CARRIED.

7. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to transfer credit in the amount of \$332.11 from utility account #1363 to account #1363001 due to error; and further agree to write off penalty in the amount of \$4.02 on this account.

CARRIED.

8. **Shortreed - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize water shut-offs on accounts four months or more in arrears on Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED.

9. **Shortreed - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to amend By-law No. 2017-24 to extend due date, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and further to provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2017.

CARRIED.

10. **Thompson - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2017-27**, being a by-law to amend By-law No. 2017-24 to extend due date, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and further to provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2017, be read a first, second and third times, be finally passed, signed by Mayor and Council and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

11. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Lori Ann Shortreed to Emo Recreational Council

CARRIED.

12. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to August 8, 2017.

CARRIED.

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13. **Thompson - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to August 8, 2017:

- Emo-LaVallee Community Centre
- Emo Recreation Council
- Emo Cemetery
- Emo Parks
- Emo Toy Library/Resource Centre

CARRIED.

14. **Loney - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge request from the Board of the Golden Age Manor to clear out ditch along railway tracks due to drainage issues; and further, to request the Public Works Department to inspect this location and determine any drainage issues.

CARRIED.

15. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept quotation from Cummins Sales & Service, for planned maintenance of generator at Emo Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$3,168.78, as per quotation.

CARRIED.

16. **Shortreed - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to S. Burnett & Associated Ltd. in the amount of \$2,693.53, being invoices to June 8, 2017.

CARRIED.

17. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Application made under Sec. 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 and Minutes of Settlement Results of Request for Reconsideration received from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, for write-off, as follows:

- Assessment Roll #47100, from \$164,750 (RT) to \$33,331 (RT), effective July 1, 2017;
- Assessment Roll #14500, from \$413,750 (RT) to \$371,250 (RT), effective January 1, 2017;
- Assessment Roll #54822, from \$316,750 (RT) to \$307,000 (RT), effective January 1, 2017.

CARRIED.

18. **Thompson – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Fire Report Number 2017-03, as submitted by Fire Chief Joshua Colling.

CARRIED.

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19. **Thompson – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Adam DeGrechie to Emergency North Training's 2017 FireCon Training scheduled September 7-9, 2017 in Thunder Bay. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

20. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge request from Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting feedback on recent changes to the Municipal Elections Act.

CARRIED.

21. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Michael Loney & Jack Siemens to participate in the District Social Services Administration Board Review.

CARRIED.

22. **Thompson – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to place a Welcome to Emo ad in the Fall Fair edition of the Fort Frances Times in the amount of \$147.20 plus HST.

CARRIED.

23. **Shortreed – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make payment to Sunset Country Travel Association in the amount of \$326.15 (1186 x \$0.275), being annual per capita marketing contribution.

CARRIED.

24. **Thompson – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 8:10 p.m. for the following reasons:

- Security of property;
- Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees;
- Proposed or pending acquisitions or disposition of real property;
- Labour relations and employee negotiations;
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matter before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board;
- Advice subject to a solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- Any matter with respect to which a council, local board or committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under any other statute;
- Consideration of a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED.

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25. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 8:34 p.m.

CARRIED.

26. **Loney – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from July 11, 2017 Regular Council Meeting and July 24, 2017 Special Council Meeting minutes: None.

Business arising from July 11, 2017 Regular Council Meeting and July 24, 2017 Special Council Meeting minutes: None.

Tabled:

- Minutes of Settlement for 2017 Tax Year, Assessment Roll 64400.

Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, attended the meeting to provide an update, as follows:

- Emo Road Project is almost complete – gravel is currently being placed, to be followed with calcium;
- Field adjacent to the lagoon requires grass to be cut; however, the 5200 JD is being repaired – a tractor will be rented in order to cut the area that needs it and will be finished once the tractor has been repaired;
- Canning Lane Project will commence once Emo Road has been completed.

The roadside mower is to be advertised in the municipal newsletter for sale. Public Works Superintendent Peter McQuaker will provide specifications on this equipment.

The meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.