

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**January 16, 2018**

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jack Siemens; Councillors Michael Loney and Vernon Thompson; Councillor Warren Toles (via telephone); CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Foster.

Absent: Councillor Lori Ann Shortreed.

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, January 16, 2018.

CARRIED.

2. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept written report from Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent and Bridget Foster, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer (from December 12, 2017 to January 16, 2018).

CARRIED.

3. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to prepare an Invitational Tender to crush 10,000 cu. yds of 5/8" Type "A" gravel; and further, tenders will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 22, 2018; and further, limit the overage at 5% maximum to be paid.

CARRIED.

4. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the following 2017 fourth quarter School Board payments:

Public School Board:	\$57,026.24;
Separate School Board:	\$ 5,268.17.

CARRIED.

5. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Fire Chief Joshua Colling to attend the 2018 Fire Coordinators Annual Meeting and Learning Symposium from January 29 to February 1, 2018 in Gravenhurst, Ontario. OFMEM to cover costs for travel, lodging and meals. Cost for wages will be split 4 ways between partners for training.

CARRIED.

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6. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to confirm the appointments of several officers and employees of the Township of Emo for the year 2018.

CARRIED.

7. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2018-01** being a by-law to confirm the appointments of several officers and employees of the Township of Emo for the year 2018, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith

CARRIED.

8. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to authorize payment of recurring accounts in the year 2018.

CARRIED.

9. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2018-02**, being a by-law to authorize payment of recurring accounts in the year 2018, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

10. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to January 16, 2018.

CARRIED.

11. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to January 16, 2018:

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

CARRIED.

12. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to purchase the following scarifying blades from Strongco Thunder Bay in the amount of \$4,914.52, plus HST and freight from Thunder Bay:

- 2 36 Standard Scarifier Board 5/8 hole;
- 2 48 Standard Scarifier Board 5/8 hole.

CARRIED.

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13. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Jason Smith or alternate to Pinchin Ltd.'s Landfill Operator Training course scheduled February 21, 2018 in Thunder Bay, ON. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

14. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Fire Report Number 2018-01 and Joint Fire Report Number 2018-02, as submitted by Fire Chief Joshua Colling.

CARRIED.

15. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law for the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Township of Emo in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the year 2018.

CARRIED.

16. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2018-03**, being a by-law for the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Township of Emo in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the year 2018, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

17. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into a 911 Central Emergency Reporting Bureau (CERB) Services Agreement between the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and the Corporations of the Town of Fort Frances, Couchiching First Nation, Naicatchewenin First Nation, Rainy River First Nation, the Township of Alberton, the Township of Chapple, the Town of Rainy River, the Township of Morley, the Township of Dawson, the Township of LaVallee, the Township of Emo, and the Township of Lake of the Woods.

CARRIED.

18. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2018-04**, being a by-law to enter into a 911 Central Emergency Reporting Bureau (CERB) Services Agreement between the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and the Corporations of the Town of Fort Frances, Couchiching First Nation, Naicatchewenin First Nation, Rainy River First Nation, the Township of Alberton, the Township of Chapple, the Town of Rainy River, the Township of Morley, the Township of Dawson, the Township of LaVallee, the Township of Emo, and the Township of Lake of the Woods, be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

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19. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to S. Burnett & Associates in the amount of \$1,366.35, being invoices to November 23, 2017.

CARRIED.

20. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept proposal from Celerity Telecom to for the placement of internet towers within the Township in exchange for free internet services, pending review of agreement.

CARRIED.

21. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Township of Emo's 2018 Property Assessment Levy provided by Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) in the amount of \$22,538.31, to be paid in quarterly installments of \$5,634.58.

CARRIED.

22. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Northwestern Health Unit's 2018 levy in the amount of \$62,562.93, to be paid in monthly installments of \$5,213.58.

CARRIED.

23. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make payment to Safe Communities Rainy River District in the amount of \$665.00 (1,330 x \$0.50), being the Township of Emo's 2018 per capita levy.

CARRIED.

24. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make application to Service Canada's 2018 Canada Summer Jobs program for two summer students.

CARRIED.

25. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept the Ministry of Environment & Climate Change's Dustfall Study for #6081 Hwy. 11, as submitted.

CARRIED.

26. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send Jack Siemens to the Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry's information session scheduled January 18, 2018 in Fort Frances, on the modernization of forest tenure on the Crossroute & Sapawe Forests and transitioning to an Enhanced Sustainable Forest Licence.

CARRIED.

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27. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to make donation to Canadian Red Cross in the amount of \$200.00.

CARRIED.

28. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to send CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to AMCTO Annual General Meeting scheduled June 10-13, 2018 in Blue Mountain, ON. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Emo.

CARRIED.

29. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Electronic Layout of the requested service layout for five additional streetlights along Spruce Drive and Meadow Street, as provided by Hydro One Networks Inc.;
- And further, to approve Customer Service Contract, as provided;
- And further, to authorize payment to Hydro One Networks Inc. in the amount of \$738.3, H.S.T. included, being connection of streetlights on Spruce Drive/Meadow Street; and further, to forward an invoice to the developer for repayment of this invoice.

CARRIED.

30. **Loney – Thompson:** WHEREAS, Eating Disorder Awareness Week will be from February 1 – 7, 2018; and
- WHEREAS, the National Eating Disorder Information Centre (NEDIC) is Canada's only national organization dedicated to helping those with eating disorder, food and weight preoccupation and related issues. NEDIC provides information, education, resources and referrals to individuals with eating disorders, their families, friends and health care professionals; and
- WHEREAS, eating disorders have the highest mortality rate among all psychiatric illnesses and can develop in anyone, regardless of age, ethno-racial background, socioeconomic status, gender or ability; and
- WHEREAS, stigma, secrecy and stereotypes still surround eating disorders, causing many people who are suffering to refrain from seeking help; and
- WHEREAS, open supportive dialogue can help break the shame and silence that affect nearly 1 million Canadians living with diagnosable eating disorders and the millions of others who are struggling with food and weight preoccupation; and
- WHEREAS, Eating Disorder Awareness Week seeks to raise awareness of eating disorders, shed light on dangerous and pervasive myths, and promote prevention. It is also a time of year for Canadians to learn about available resources and appropriate services for themselves and/or loved ones; and
- WHEREAS, Eating Disorder Awareness Week aims to teach Canadians that eating disorders are not a choice, and that eating disorders are a serious and dangerous mental illness.

CARRIED.

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31. **Thompson – Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payments of the Township of Emo's Annual Membership as follows:

Association of Municipalities of Ontario	\$1,018.33
Municipal Employer Pension Centre Ontario	\$ 47.46
Federation of Canadian Municipalities	\$ 449.38
Assoc. of Municipal Clerks & Treasurers of Ont.	\$ 100.00
Canadian Water & Wastewater Association	\$ 325.44
Municipal Waste Association	\$ 113.00

CARRIED.

32. **Loney – Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve General Financial Statement to November 30, 2017, as submitted.

CARRIED.

33. **Thompson - Loney:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 8:47 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.

34. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 9:48 p.m.

CARRIED.

35. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize a 2 % wage increase effective January 1, 2018, being cost of living allowance, as per the Township of Emo Human Resource Policy.

CARRIED.

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36. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire Dessa Vlotaros for the Part-Time Canteen Attendant position, at the approved wage.

CARRIED.

37. **Loney - Thompson:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on January 30, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from November 29, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.  
Business arising from November 29, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Tabled Items:

- Rainy River District Women's Institute Museum: RE: Request for financial assistance.

Peter McQuaker, Public Works Superintendent, attended the meeting to present his written report:

- Ice blades for the grader have been borrowed by a local contractor; however, would like to purchase are own. Three quotations have been submitted to Council for approval.

Council requested a meeting with Chief Rob McGinnis to discuss the proposed Wound Care Centre.

The meeting adjourned 10:05 p.m.