

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EMO**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**October 13, 2020**

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Emo held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Harold McQuaker, Councillors Harrold Boven and Lori Ann Shortreed;  
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Foster.  
Virtually present via Zoom: Lincoln Dunn and Warren Toles.  
Publicly available virtually via Zoom.

Johanne Kirkbride and Jeff St. Pierre, from Ontario Clean Water Agency, attended the meeting to update Council on what actions are being taken in regards to complaints of discoloured water.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

CARRIED.
2. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that the September 22, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.
3. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize the payment of bills on file in Municipal General to October 13, 2020.

CARRIED.
4. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve the invoices for the following Township of Emo Boards/Committees to October 13, 2020:
  - Emo-LaVallee Community Centre
  - Emo Recreation Council
  - Emo Cemetery
  - Emo Parks
  - Emo Toy Library/Resource Centre

CARRIED.
5. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby acknowledge water complaints from residents; and further, we agree to send out a communication piece to our residents; and further request OCWA to bring forward recommendations to assist our residents in the short term.

CARRIED.

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6. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to enter into an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Honouable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and The Corporation of the Township of Emo for the Ontario FireSmart Communities Transfer Payment Grant.

CARRIED.

7. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2020-25**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Honouable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and The Corporation of the Township of Emo for the Ontario FireSmart Communities Transfer Payment Grant, be deemed to be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Council and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

8. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Spruce Drive Final Construction Review report prepared by S. Burnett & Associates Ltd.; and further request the developer, T.J. Kaemingh & Sons Ltd. to fix the paved over watermain valve. The Township of Emo to retain \$5,840.00, being 10% holdback for warranty purposes, to offset the incorrectly installed curb sections so that these funds can be used in the future against early repairs that will be required.

CARRIED.

9. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize payment to S. Burnett & Associates Ltd. in the amount of \$2,648.13, HST included, being invoices to August 27, 2020 for the following projects:

- Front St East Watermain Replacement \$ 2,648.13

CARRIED.

10. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Annual Accrual Budget Report, outlining Estimated Expenses Excluded from 2020 Budget, required by Ontario Regulation 284/09, as submitted by CAO/Clerk-Treasurer.

CARRIED.

11. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby approve Minutes of Settlement received from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, as follows:

- Assessment Roll #14700 from \$28,500 (RT) to \$8,200 (RT), effective January 1, 2020.

CARRIED.

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12. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to pass a by-law to adopt Stage 3 Health & Safety Protocols for Re-opening Emo-LaVallee Community Centre.

CARRIED.

13. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that **By-law No. 2020-26**, being a by-law to adopt Stage 3 Health & Safety Protocols for Re-opening Emo-LaVallee Community Centre, be deemed to be read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Council and become law forthwith.

CARRIED.

14. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept letter received by the Rainy River District Regional Abattoir regarding taxes and assessment.

CARRIED.

15. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to reimburse Sue Pelepetz in the amount of \$113.00, being Emo-LaVallee Community Centre hall rental fees, due to cancellation of rental due to pandemic.

CARRIED.

16. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby accept Township of Emo 2019 Audited Financial Statements, as submitted by BDO Canada LLP.

CARRIED.

17. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to go in-camera at 7:50 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees-  
*application to join Rec Committee; Emo-LaVallee Community Centre Board  
Representatives; and letter for Casual Crosswalk Guard/Landfill Site Attendant.*

CARRIED.

18. **Boven – Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to come out of in-camera session at 8:23 p.m.

CARRIED.

19. **Shortreed - Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby appoint Alicia Leany to the Emo Recreational Council.

CARRIED.

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20. **Boven - Shortreed:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby agree to hire Dave Lee as Casual Crosswalk Guard/Landfill Site Attendant, at the approved wage.

CARRIED.

21. **Shortreed – Boven:** BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

Errors or Omissions from September 22, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Business arising from September 22, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes: None.

Council requested an appreciation go out to the community thanking them for their contributions toward keeping the public safe in regards to COVID-19.

It was noted in the meeting SCAP School is not interested in the Township of Emo obtaining insurance for their rink and do not want the Township of Emo to advertise the rink open to the public.

The meeting adjourned 8:28 p.m.