



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 9, 2024

PRESENT: Pauline Rochefort, Mayor Steven Trahan, Councillor
 Terry Kelly, Councillor Lauren Rooyakkers, Deputy Mayor

ABSENT: Rick Champagne, Councillor

STAFF Jason Trottier, CAO/Treasurer Kari Hanselman, Clerk
PRESENT:

1. Call to Order

Mayor Rochefort called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

On the request from Councillor Kelly, an In-Camera item relating to the Seniors Villas was added to agenda item. No. 17.

2024-75

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 9th day of April, 2024 be adopted as amended by adding the following:

17. In-Camera - Seniors Villas

Carried Mayor Rochefort

3. Accepting the Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):

a. Approval of Council Minutes: Regular Meeting of March 26th, 2024 and Special Meetings of March 26th and 28th, 2024

2024-76

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 26th, 2024 and the Special Meetings of March 26th and March 28th, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None for this session.

5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest- Pecuniary Interest Thereof

None for this session.

6. Chair's Comments:

Mayor Rochefort commented on yesterday's eclipse and local resident, Michelle St. Onge's work with the North Bay Astronomy Club.

7. Delegations to Council:

None for this session.

8. Committee Reports:

a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

None for this session.

b. Emergency Management Program Committee

None for this session.

c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee

None for this session.

d. Planning Advisory Committee

None for this session.

e. Committee of Adjustment

None for this session.

f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee

None for this session.

g. Economic Development Committee

None for this session.

h. Striking Committee

None for this session.

9. Board Reports:

a. Library Board

None for this session.

b. Police Services Board

None for this session.

c. Cassellholme, DNSSAB, Health Unit and NBMCA

10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:

a. Report No. R-2024-04: Lake Nosbonsing Road Culvert Reline

2024-77

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Municipal Engineer contained in Report No. R-2024-04 and award the tender for the Nosbonsing Road Culvert Reline to Provincial Underground Services Inc. in the amount of \$117,717.75 including HST.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

11. Notice of Motions

a. Councillor Kelly

As per Section 5.14.1 of Procedural By-law No. 2023-55, Councillor Champagne submitted a Proxy Form appointing Councillor Kelly as a proxy to act in his place for Agenda Item. 11.a.

2024-78
Moved by Councillor Kelly
Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris dissolve the Economic Development Committee effective April 15th, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT all economic development related matters be referred to senior staff to make recommendations to Council;

AND FURTHER THAT a letter be sent to the Economic Development Committee members thanking them for their time and effort.

Results of Recorded Vote as requested by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers:

Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers		Nay
Councillor Kelly	Yea	
Councillor Trahan	Yea	
Councillor Champagne	Yea	
Mayor Rochefort		Nay

Carried

12. By-laws:

- a. By-law No. 2024-15: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Reading

2024-79
Moved by Councillor Kelly
Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT By-law No. 2024-15 being a By-law to enter into an Automatic Aid Agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris and the Corporation of the Municipality of Callander, BE READ a first and second time this 9th day of April, 2024.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. By-law No. 2024-16: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Reading

2024-80
Moved by Councillor Kelly
Seconded by Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of East Ferris deems it expedient to pass three readings of the following by-law at this session;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a By-law to adopt the estimate of all sums required during the year and to provide for the adoption of tax rates for 2024, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2024-16;

AND THAT said by-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- c. By-law No. 2024-17: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2024-81

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of East Ferris deems it expedient to pass three readings of the following by-law at this session;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a By-law to close and convey a part of the original shoreline road allowance in front of PT Hemlock Island Trout Lake Plan NR-558 Part 6 PCL 10715 W/F, described as Part 1, Plan 36R-15213, East Ferris, District of Nipissing BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2024-17;

AND THAT said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

13. Correspondence and Information Items:

- a. Prince Edward County

2024-82

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports Resolution No. 2024-151 from Prince Edward County regarding support for a 'call to action' to meet the deadline of an Accessible Ontario by 2025.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. Town of Shelburne

- c. Township of Clearview

Deferred to May 14th, 2024 Council meeting.

- d. AMO Communications

- e. North-Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority

14. Action Items:

- a. Approval of Correspondence and Information Circulated with the Agenda

2024-83

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT Council approve the Correspondence and Information as circulated with the agenda of April 9th, 2024.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. Resolution: Cancel Second Meeting in April (Good Roads Conference)

2024-84

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

WHEREAS Council Members will be attending the 2024 Good Roads Conference being held in Toronto from April 21st to April 24th, 2024;

AND WHEREAS there is a Regular Scheduled Council meeting on April 23rd, 2024;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for April 23rd, 2024 be canceled in its entirety and that a Special Meeting of Council be scheduled in accordance with Section 240 of the Municipal Act, as amended at the call of the Chair if required.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- c. Motion to Reconsider

2024-85

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT Resolution No. 2024-67 defeated on March 26th, 2024 relating to the Flag Raising Request submitted by Lauren Rooyakkers to raise the Pride Flag for the month of June, 2024 be reconsidered.

Results of Recorded Vote as per Procedural By-law No. 2023-55:

Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers	Yea	
Councillor Kelly		Nay
Councillor Trahan		Nay
Mayor Rochefort	Yea	

Defeated

- d. Flag Raising Request - Jack Doherty

2024-86

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS a Flag Raising Request Form was submitted by Jack Doherty and received by the Clerk on March 28th, 2024;

AND WHEREAS the request is for the Municipality to raise the Pride Flag for the month of June, 2024;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council approve this request.

Results of Recorded Vote as requested by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers:

Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers	Yea	
Councillor Kelly		Nay
Councillor Trahan		Nay
Mayor Rochefort	Yea	

Defeated

15. Approval of Accounts Payable

2024-87

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated April 9th, 2024 in the amount of \$ 392,345.34.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

16. Other Business

a. Councillor Trahan

Councillor Trahan reminded everyone about Community Clean-up Day on May 7th, 2024. Participants can email their pictures to the Municipality for a chance to win one of ten prizes.

17. In Camera

2024-88

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera session at 6:30 p.m., under Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 in order to address a matter pertaining to:

(h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them regarding the OPP Detachment;

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees regarding the Seniors Villas.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

2024-89

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera session at 7:10 p.m. and return to the regular session.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

18. Confirmatory By-Law

a. By-law No. 2024-18: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2024-90

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of East Ferris deems it expedient to pass three readings of the following by-law at this session;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council from March 26th, 2024 to April 9th, 2024, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2024-18;

AND THAT said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

19. Adjournment

2024-91
Moved by Councillor Trahan
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:11 p.m. and meet again on May 14th, 2024.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

Mayor
Pauline Rochefort

Clerk
Kari Hanselman