



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

June 11, 2019

PRESENT:	Pauline Rochefort, Mayor	Erika Lougheed, Councillor
	Mike Voyer, Deputy Mayor	Steven Trahan, Councillor
	Terry Kelly, Councillor	
STAFF	Monica L. Hawkins, Clerk	Jason Trottier, CAO/Treasurer
PRESENT:		

1. Call to Order

Mayor Rochefort called the Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

2019-160

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 11th day of June, 2019 be hereby adopted as circulated.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

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

a. Accepting the minutes of the following meetings:

2019-161

Moved by Deputy Mayor Voyer

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT the minutes of the Special Meetings held May 28th, May 30th and the Regular Meeting of May 28th, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

6. Chair's Comments:

a. Mayor Rochefort

Mayor Rochefort welcomed the public in attendance. Mayor Rochefort made a power point presentation to Council and members of the public as follows:

1. The month of June being Seniors' month
2. Visit to the Municipal Office, Municipal Garage, and Fire Hall from the students of école St. Thomas D'Aquin
3. Introduction to the Members of Council and the public the newly appointed Detachment Commander of the North Bay OPP, S/Sgt. William (Bill) McMullen.

7. Delegations to Council:

a. Maggie Preston-Coles

Ms. Maggie Preston-Coles made a presentation to Council addressing the matter of Climate Change and the support of motion to be brought forward by Councillor Loughheed pertaining to Climate Emergency.

b. Yvette Makitalo, Police Services Board Member

Police Services Board Member Yvette Makitalo, Claire Periard, along with S/Sgt, Detachment Commander McMullen made a presentation to Council regarding workshop hosted by the North Bay and District Parry Sound Health Unit on June 3rd, 2019 regarding Cannabis.

8. Committee Reports:

- a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
- b. Community Emergency Management Committee
- c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee
- d. Planning Advisory Committee
- e. Committee of Adjustment
- f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee
- g. Economic Development Committee
- h. Communications Committee
- i. East Ferris Centennial Celebration Committee
- j. Municipal Office Project/Technical Advisory Committee

9. Board Reports:

- a. Library Board
- b. Police Services Board

10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:

- a. Report No. Fire Department-2019-01

2019-162

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council of the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Fire Chief contained in Report No. Fire Department-2019-01 and enter into an agreement with Trans Canada Safety to supply Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and accessories as outlined in RFP EFFD-2019-01;

AND FURTHER that Council enters into a 5-year service agreement for annual testing of SCBAs.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. REPORT No. Fire Department-2019-02 (Information Report)

2019-163

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the 2018 Fire Department Activity Report for the East Ferris Fire Department as outlined in the Fire Chief's Information Report No. Fire Department-2019-02.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

11. By-laws:

- a. By-law No. 2019-22 - 3rd Reading

2019-164

Moved by Councillor Lougheed

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT By-law No. 2019-22 being a By-law to establish fees and charges for services or use of Municipal Property be read a third time and passed this 11th, day of June, 2019;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. By-law No. 2019-24 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2019-165

Moved by Deputy Mayor Voyer

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

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 amend By-law No. 1284 as amended (Nosbonsing Park Subdivision), BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2019-24;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- c. By-law No. 2019-25 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2019-166

Moved by Councillor Lougheed

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 set Tax Ratios for the Municipality of East Ferris for the year 2019, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2019-25;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- d. By-law No. 2019-26 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2019-167

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Voyer

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 estimates of all sums required during the year and to provide adoption of Tax Rates for 2019, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2019-26;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- e. By-Law No. 2019-28 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2019-168

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

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 Road Allowance for Village Road, adjacent to 1778 Village Road, described as Part of the Road Allowance between Lots 19 and 20, Concession 1, Township of East Ferris, District of Nipissing, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2019-28;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- f. By-law No. 2019-29 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2019-169

Moved by Deputy Mayor Voyer

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

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 amend By-law No. 2019-03 a By-law to govern the proceedings of the Council, Local Boards and Committees of either, the conduct of its members, the calling of the meetings and to establish rules of order, be read a third time, passed and numbered 2019-29;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

12. Correspondence and Information items:

- a. The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- b. Town of Grimsby

- c. AMO Communications
- d. District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board
- e. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit
- f. Councillor Erika Lougheed
- g. Phil and Melinda Koning
- h. Diane Saxe
- i. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit
- j. Oscar Horth, Montcalm Lane, Corbeil
- k. Mr. and Mrs. Phil Koning; Mr. and Mrs. Julie Blair and Mr. and Mrs Rod Hillman
- l. Susan Church, Blue Sky Economic Growth Corporation
- m. Phil Koning
- n. Proclamation

13. Action Items:

- a. Acceptance of Correspondence Circulated with Agenda

2019-170

Moved by Councillor Lougheed

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT Council acknowledge the correspondence as circulated with the agenda and dated the 11th of June, 2019.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. Resolution of Support
- c. Resolution of Support
- d. Resolution

2019-171

Moved by Deputy Mayor Voyer

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS there is a vacancy on the Economic Development Committee;

AND WHEREAS applications have been received from Mr. Rod Clouthier and Mr. Phil Koning to fill the vacancy;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council accepts Mr. Clouthier's and Mr. Koning's applications to sit on the Economic Development Committee and that both Mr. Clouthier and Mr. Koning be advised accordingly.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- e. Resolution presented by Councillor Lougheed

2019-172

Moved by Councillor Lougheed

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS climate change is currently contributing to billions of dollars in property and infrastructure damage worldwide, stressing local and international economies;

WHEREAS climate change is currently jeopardizing the health and survival of many species and other natural environments worldwide, stressing local and international eco systems;

WHEREAS climate change is currently harming human populations through rising sea levels and other extraordinary phenomena like intense wildfires worldwide, stressing local and international communities;

WHEREAS recent international research has indicated a need for massive reduction in carbon emissions in the next 11 years to avoid further and devastating economic, ecological, and societal loss;

WHEREAS an emergency can be defined as "an often dangerous situation requiring immediate action";

WHEREAS municipalities such as Sudbury, West Nipissing, Ottawa, London, Kingston, Burlington, St Catherine, Halton Hills, Vancouver and Hamilton have already declared climate emergencies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipality of East Ferris, officially declare a climate emergency for the purposes of naming, framing, and deepening our commitment to protecting our economy, our eco systems, and our community from climate change.

Mayor Rochefort opened the floor to Council Members for debate. Councillor Kelly advised that he had an Amendment Motion to put forward regarding the above resolution prepared by Councillor Lougheed.

Amendment:

2019-173

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Voyer

AMENDMENT - CLIMATE CHANGE MOTION PREPARED BY COUNCILLOR KELLY

That the Motion regarding Climate Change be amended as follows:

1. The following three paragraphs be deleted:

WHEREAS an emergency can be defined as “an often dangerous situation requiring immediate action”;

WHEREAS Municipalities such as Sudbury, West Nipissing, Ottawa, London, Kingston, Burlington, St. Catharines, Halton Hills, Vancouver and Hamilton have already declared climate emergencies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of East Ferris, officially declare a climate emergency for the purposes of naming, framing, and deepening our commitment to protecting our economy, our eco systems, and our community from climate change.

2. The following paragraphs be inserted:

WHEREAS the Municipality of East Ferris views ensuring the health and survival of Mother Earth as essential, it is opting for a resolution that enables actions to combat climate change that are within its control versus passing a resolution that many municipalities have referred to as “symbolic”;

WHEREAS the Municipality of East Ferris currently identifies and plans for impending climate change impacts on its community via its Emergency Preparation Plan and consistently seeks ways and opportunities to engage in actions that protect its environment;

WHEREAS the Municipality of East Ferris' Strategic Plan specifies that it will pursue further meaningful and measurable ways to protect its lakes, water and forests; keep its local environment clean; protect its landfill site and encourage robust recycling programs;

WHEREAS the Municipality of East Ferris is aligning itself to the Province of Ontario Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan that includes upcoming commitments to reduce plastic waste and litter and making producers responsible for the end-of-life management of their products;

WHEREAS the Municipality of East Ferris recognizes its responsibility to do everything in its power to minimize the impacts of climate change on future generations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of East Ferris affirms its commitment to fighting off climate change and that this commitment will form part of the Municipality's decision-making framework and upcoming budgets.

For (4): Mayor Rochefort, Deputy Mayor Voyer , Councillor Kelly, and Councillor Trahan

Against (1): Councillor Lougheed

Carried (4 to 1)

f. Resolution

2019-174

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Voyer

WHEREAS Seniors' Month is an annual province-wide celebration;

AND WHEREAS seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community;

AND WHEREAS seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this community;

AND WHEREAS their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told;

AND WHEREAS the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of East Ferris proclaim June 1-30, 2019 **Seniors' Month** in the Municipality and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

14. Approval of Accounts Payable

2019-175

Moved by Deputy Mayor Voyer

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated June 11th, 2019 in the amount of \$303,362.57.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

15. Other Business

16. In Camera

17. Confirmatory By-Law

- a. By-law No. 2019-27

2019-176

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

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 May 28th, 2019 to June 11th, 2019, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2019-27;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

18. Adjournment

2019-177

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:55 p.m. and meet again on June 25th, 2019.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins

