



**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES**

**July 14, 2021**

PRESENT:        Pauline Rochefort, Mayor                        Steven Trahan, Deputy Mayor  
                      Terry Kelly, Councillor                                        Rick Champagne, Councillor  
                      Erika Lougheed, Councillor

STAFF            Monica L. Hawkins, Clerk                                        Jason Trottier, CAO/Treasurer  
PRESENT:

**1. Adoption of the Agenda**

**2021-214**

**Moved by** Councillor Champagne

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council for the Special Meeting and dated the 14th of July, 2021 be hereby adopted as circulated.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

None for this session

**3. Correspondence and Information:**

a. Bertha Road Property Access - Vince Carriere

Council discussed the matter and a report from the Manager of Planning and Economic Development and the Municipal Engineer will be coming to Council.

b. Canada Community Revitalization Fund

**2021-215**

**Moved by** Councillor Champagne

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris approve the submission of an application to the Canada Community Revitalization Fund for Active Transportation.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

c. Cassellholme Redevelopment

Council discussed the matter of Cassellholme and proceeded to in-camera session

**4. In-Camera Session**

**2021-216**

**Moved by** Councillor Lougheed

**Seconded by** Councillor Terry Kelly

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera session at 10:04 a.m., under Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- 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.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**2021-217**

**Moved by** Councillor Champagne

**Seconded by** Councillor Terry Kelly

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera meeting at 10:40 a.m. and return to our regular session of Council.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**5. Resolution as a result of In-Camera Session (if any)**

**Councillor Champagne requested a recorded vote on motion No. 2021-218. Results of recorded vote are as follows:**

Deputy Mayor Trahan - Nay

Councillor Kelly - Nay

Councillor Lougheed - Nay

Councillor Champagne - Nay

Mayor Rochefort - Nay

**2021-218**

**Moved by** Councillor Champagne

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Trahan

WHEREAS the City of North Bay, Municipality of East Ferris, Township of Chisholm, Municipality of Calvin, Township of Papineau-Cameron, Town of Mattawa, Municipality of Mattawan, Township of Bonfield, and Township of South Algonquin are part owners (member municipalities) of Cassellholme as defined by the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*;

AND WHEREAS Cassellholme is governed by a Board of Management;

AND WHEREAS the Cassellholme Board of Management has approved the total project cost of \$121,889,390 for the redevelopment of Cassellholme;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has committed to funding up to \$65 million for the Cassellholme redevelopment project over a period of 25 years interest free;

AND WHEREAS the member municipalities are obligated to participate in operating costs and financing of the redevelopment of Cassellholme pursuant to Sections 125 to 127 of the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*;

AND WHEREAS the Board of Management for Cassellholme suggests that Infrastructure Ontario has the best, most economical and most viable option available to Cassellholme and the member municipalities for the redevelopment of Cassellholme;

AND WHEREAS Infrastructure Ontario requires a guarantee from all member municipalities for the entire loan amount including the Province of Ontario's share of funding for the redevelopment project in order for Cassellholme to secure the required funding under Infrastructure Ontario's corporate loan program;

AND WHEREAS four member municipalities (Calvin, Mattawan, Mattawa, and Papineau-Cameron) have been given support from the remaining municipalities by way of Council resolution to exit the Board of Management after the redevelopment of Cassellholme;

AND WHEREAS Infrastructure Ontario requires that all member municipalities enter into an exit agreement acceptable to Infrastructure Ontario in order to obtain financing;

AND WHEREAS the member municipalities have raised several concerns related to the financing options being presented by the Board of Management, specifically having to guarantee the Provincial share of the redevelopment costs, as well as concerns with the Draft Exit Agreement and Draft Loan Guarantee;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris agrees to enter into a guarantee with Infrastructure Ontario substantially in the form of the draft attached hereto as Appendix A with the understanding that the guarantee will remain in DRAFT format until such time as the loan is approved by Infrastructure Ontario and that all other documentation has been finalized;

AND FURTHER THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris agrees to enter into an exit agreement with the member municipalities substantially in the form of the draft attached hereto as Appendix B.

**Defeated**

**6. Adjournment**

**2021-219**

**Moved by** Councillor Lougheed

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Trahan

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 10:48 p.m.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

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Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

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Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins