



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 10, 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. Call to Order

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

2. Adoption of Agenda

2021-227

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 10th day of August, 2021 be adopted as prepared.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

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

a. Approval of Council Minutes

2021-228

Moved by Deputy Mayor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held July 13th and the Special Minutes of the meeting held July 14th, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None for this session

5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None for this session

6. Chair's Comments:

Mayor Rochefort mentioned the celebration of life for past Deputy Mayor, Michel Voyer will be held on Friday, August 13th, 2021. Council and Senior Staff are invited to attend. A celebration of life for former Mayor of Chisholm, Leo Jobin will also be held on Saturday, August 14th, 2021.

7. Delegations to Council:

a. Ted McCullough

Mr. Ted McCullough made a presentation to Council regarding Quae Quae Road. Council referred Mr. McCullough's presentation to the Public Works Committee.

b. Sonya Lavigne

Ms. Sonya Lavigne did not attend the Council meeting for her presentation. Council referred her presentation letter to the Public Works Committee.

8. Committee Reports:

a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

None for this session

b. Community Emergency Management 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

Councillor Kelly reported on the meeting of the Committee of Adjustment

1. Minutes of July 21st, 2021

f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee

None for this session

g. Economic Development Committee

Deputy Mayor Trahan reported on the Economic Development Committee meeting of July 21st, 2021

1. Minutes of July 21st, 2021

h. Communications Committee

None for this session

i. East Ferris Centennial Celebration Committee

Deputy Mayor Trahan spoke regarding activities that were held on August 1st, 2021. The kids pizza party, music and the fireworks were a great success. Special thanks to Will Ball and Mike Patterson for the fireworks display.

1. Minutes of July 27th, 2021

j. Municipal Office Project/Technical Advisory Committee

None for this session

9. Board Reports:

a. Library Board

None for this session

b. Police Services Board

None for this session

10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:

a. Report No. R-2021-07

2021-229

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Loughheed

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Municipal Engineer contained in Report No. R-2021-07 and approve the following:

1. THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris declare the 2000 John Deere 310 SE backhoe as surplus equipment;

2. AND THAT Council authorize staff to dispose of the surplus equipment as follows:

- a) Auction via GovDeals on-line auction service with a seller's commission of 7.5% and a buyer's premium of 5%, and a minimum asking price of \$8,000.

b) If the initial auction is not successful, re-post the auction with a lower asking price.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

11. Notice of Motions

None for this session

12. By-laws:

- a. By-law No. 2021-31 - 3rd Reading

2021-230

Moved by Deputy Mayor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

THAT By-law No. 2021-31 being a By-law for the purpose of prohibiting littering on private or municipal property in the Municipality of East Ferris be read a third time and passed this 10th, day of August, 2021;

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. 2021-34 - 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Reading

2021-231

Moved by Councillor Kelly

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 enter into an agreement between the Municipality of East Ferris and the Nipissing-Parry Sound Student Transportation Services, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2021-34;

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. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
b. City of Kitchener

- c. City of Stratford
Council referred for support
- d. City of Toronto
- e. City of Vaughan
- f. City of Woodstock
Council referred for support
- g. Municipality of Mattawan
- h. Northumberland County
- i. Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
- j. Township of Georgian Bay
Council referred for support - Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada
- k. AMO Communications
- l. FONOM
- m. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit
- n. Ontario Land Tribunal

14. Action Items:

- a. Approval of Correspondence and Information circulated with the agenda

2021-232

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Trahan

THAT Council acknowledge the correspondence as circulated with the agenda and dated the 10th of August, 2021.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. Town of Cochrane

2021-233

Moved by Deputy Mayor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the resolution No. 182-2021 from the Town of Cochrane requesting the Federal and Provincial Governments move to have the PSA Test for men included in the National Health Care System.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- c. Township of Tay Valley

2021-234

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris support the resolution from Tay Valley Township regarding the Province be financially responsible for the replacement costs associated with all major capital equipment in hospitals.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

2021-235

Moved by Councillor Lougheed

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS Municipality of East Ferris is home to many proud hunters and law-abiding gun owner who have hunted and owned guns in East Ferris for many generations;

AND WHEREAS keeping our communities safe is a primary responsibility of government, including that of Municipality of East Ferris;

AND WHEREAS every Canadian and citizen of East Ferris should be able to live without the fear of violence;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada is seeking measures to reduce illegal gun smuggling, trading, gang and crime gun use and gun violence;

AND WHEREAS Municipality of East Ferris supports the objectives of Bill C-21 but is concerned the provision that would allow municipalities to create handgun bylaws would place challenging conditions on federal firearms licenses relating to handgun use, storage, or transportation within municipalities that have passed such bylaws;

AND WHEREAS if one municipality enacts a ban and not a neighbouring municipality, this will create a patchwork of by-laws;

AND WHEREAS a municipal ban would be difficult to enforce and easy to get around;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of East Ferris encourage the government to seek other measures to address the stated objectives that do not include providing municipalities with new powers that they have neither requested, nor have the resources to impose and enforce;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to MP Nipissing-Timiskaming Anthony Rota, Prime Minister of Canada the Honourable Justin Trudeau, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness of Canada the Honourable Bill Blair and Leader of the Official Opposition the Honourable Erin O'Toole.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

15. Approval of Accounts Payable

2021-236

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated August 10th, 2021 in the amount of \$1,046,001.54.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

16. Other Business

17. In Camera (if required)

18. Confirmatory By-Law

- a. By-law No. 2021-35 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2021-237

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Deputy Mayor 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 July 13th, 2021 to August 10th, 2021, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2021-35;

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

2021-238

Moved by Deputy Mayor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:11 p.m. and meet again on September 14th, 2021.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins