

The Regular Meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance were: Reeve Terry Fiset, Councillor Dave Mullin, Councillor Jan MacDowall, Councillor Pam Cormier and Councillor Gary Palmer. Myrna Hayes also attended the meeting.

MacDowall/Palmer:

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 9th/19 Regular Meeting.

Carried.

Delegation: Adam Gibson, Public Works Foreman

- New bucket for the tractor has been delivered. Will start removing snow banks at the corners.
- Getting quotes for paving on Sixth Street to the mill. A culvert for water run-off at the entrance would provide good drainage and keep the pavement in good condition.
- Getting quotes for the installation of a propane furnace in the fire hall and new windows.
- Oil tanks (furnace fuel) should be recertified or replaced as required.
- Need turnaround at the end of Edna Street. At present drivers use private driveways to turn around.

Adam left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Belinda Beairsto, Eco-Logix

- A recycling depot at the dump will reduce waste by 20%.
- The Township can claim expenses and part of dump attendant wages to WDO.
- Diversion rate increases, WDO rebate to the Township increases.
- Township will be charged for a sea container that will be located at the dump. If the depot does not work out, the Township retains ownership of the sea container.
- Annual monthly collection will cost \$5500 per year (one month free).
- Eco-Logix will prepare flyers for the Township to distribute and educate the dump attendant.

Mullin/MacDowall:

A motion to have Eco-Logix set up a 40' sea container at the landfill site for a 1-year trial period to collect recycle materials monthly. Councillor Gary Palmer opposed this motion.

Carried.

Mullin/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the Township's January 9th/20 Treasurer's Report:

General Revenue Account Balance: \$1,503,356.28.

Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the ELCF's January 9th/20 Treasurer's Report:

General Revenue Account Balance: \$117,475.23.

Carried.

Palmer/Mullin:

A motion to approve payment of January/20 Township of James Accounts.

Carried.

Cormier/Mullin:

A motion to approve payment of January/20 ELCF Accounts.

Carried.

BY-LAW 20-02:

Cormier/Mullin:

That a By-Law to provide an Interim Tax Levy and the Payment of Interim Taxes for the Year 2020; be received and read a first time.

Carried.

MacDowall/Cormier:

That a By-Law to provide an Interim Tax Levy and the Payment of Interim Taxes for the Year 2020; be read a second time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

Carried.

Mullin/Palmer:

That a By-Law to provide an Interim Tax Levy and the Payment of Interim Taxes for the Year 2020; as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 20-02 and that the said by-law be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the By-Law Book.

Carried.

BY-LAW 20-03:

Mullin/Palmer:

That a By-Law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner; be received and read a first time.

Carried.

Palmer/Cormier:

That a By-Law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner; be read a second time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

Carried.

MacDowall/Mullin:

That a By-Law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner; as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 20-03 and that the said by-law be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the By-Law Book.

Carried.

BY-LAW 20-04:

Palmer/MacDowall:

That a By-Law to prohibit the use of engine compression exhaust style brakes on highways/roads within the Township of James where the maximum speed limit is 50 kilometres or less; be received and read a first time.

Carried.

MacDowall/Mullin:

That a By-Law to prohibit the use of engine compression exhaust style brakes on highways/roads within the Township of James where the maximum speed limit is 50 kilometres or less; be read a second time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

Carried.

Mullin/Palmer:

That a By-Law to prohibit the use of engine compression exhaust style brakes on highways/roads within the Township of James where the maximum speed limit is 50 kilometres or less; as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 20-04 and that the said by-law be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the By-Law Book.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-20:

Cormier/MacDowall:

WHEREAS the member municipalities of the Temiskaming Municipal Association have been pressing the provincial government to enforce public safety and reduce the horrendous number of accidents on Highway 11 in this area by increasing winter maintenance on said highway;

AND WHEREAS it is understood that a Level One highway maintenance program may not be attainable in Northern Ontario;

AND WHEREAS member municipalities have been advised that by lowering the circuit times for snow plows to 1.6 hours or level one is attainable through the addition of additional snow plows;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for The Corporation of the Township of James (member of Temiskaming Municipal Association) supports the attached resolution adopted by the Temiskaming Municipal Association that petitions the Ministry of Transportation to enhance the level of service on Highway 11 by lowering the circuit times of the snow plow and combination plow/sander unit routes to 1.6 hours or level one;

AND FURTHER that a copy of the resolution be sent to the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation Ontario for due consideration.

Carried.

Item 7.1: As per DTSSAB request, an email will be sent to Kelly Black confirming that the Township of James is in favour of having DTSSAB move forward in the development of the Community Safety & Well-Being Plan for member municipalities as per Township of James Resolution #09-19.

MacDowall/Palmer:

A motion to approve payment of the \$750.00 donation to the PET Scan Fund (Sudbury Cancer Foundation) as in past years.

Carried.

Cormier/Palmer:

A motion to approve payment of the \$1,260.00 contribution to the Temiskaming Shores Physician Recruitment program.

Carried.

Item 7.4: Council was of the opinion that a policy for cell phone use during working hours was not required at this time.

Mullin/Palmer:

A motion to approve a one-time payment of \$3,500.00 to D.Scott Connors to offset the dramatic increase in snow plow insurance premiums this year.

Carried.

Reeve Fiset excused himself from the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Acting Reeve Dave Mullin chaired the remainder of the meeting.

Palmer/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the appointment of Della Everett and Lorraine Doucet to the Recreation Committee.

Carried.

Item 7.7: The concerned citizen that contacted the municipal office regarding the large trucks double-parked downtown will be advised that Council will investigate the possibility of removing more snow from the downtown area.

Palmer/Cormier:

A motion to approve the purchase of four (4) signs (English/French) prohibiting the use of jake brakes in Elk Lake.

Carried.

Palmer/Cormier:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Carried.

rlj. Hayes


