

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Reeve Dave Mullin, Councillor Janet MacDowall, Councillor Pam Cormier and Councillor Gary Palmer attended the meeting. Councillor Terry Fiset was absent with regrets. Reeve Dave Mullin chaired the meeting. Myrna Hayes and Shelly Tulpin were also in attendance.

Palmer/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 8th/20 Regular Meeting.
Carried.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None.

Delegation: Adam Gibson, Public Works

- The Community Centre ice plant has been started. Ice should be ready for skating by the weekend of November 20th.
- The 'A' gravel at the Dump Pit will be moved into town at the Sixth Street storage area. Two Connors' trucks and one Fiset truck will be used. The dump pit will be ready for crushing project in December.
- Adam requires WHMIS and fall restraint certification.
- The turn-around at the ball park is near completion.
- Snow will be kept cleared on dead end streets.

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

Delegation: Don Soderlund, Eacom General Manager

- The mill is running well. Lumber markets are good and a large capital project is planned for the mill.
- Two kilns will be removed when a continuous kiln is completed. The \$10 million project has not been formally approved to date.
- The new kiln will run on natural gas that will be trucked in from Timmins via tankers. There will be four tankers on site...2 in use at a time.
- The konas will remain to heat #2 kiln.
- Reeve Mullin will obtain the fire department requirements for the proposed project.
- If project is approved, construction will begin early summer next year.
- Environmental studies remain outstanding...noise, air emissions, disposal of moisture from the kiln, water run-off into Bear Creek, etc.

Reeve Mullin thanked Mr. Soderlund for attending the meeting and informing Council of the 2021 capital project. Mr. Soderlund left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Palmer/Cormier:

A motion to approve the Township's October 31st/20 Treasurer's Report.
General Revenue Account Balance: \$1,688,437.14.
Carried.

MacDowall/Palmer:

A motion to approve the ELCF October 31st/20 Treasurer's Report.
General Revenue Account Balance: \$115,510.03.
Carried.

MacDowall/Cormier:

A motion to approve the payment of Township of James October/20 Accounts totalling \$108,521.38.
Carried.

Cormier/Palmer:

A motion to approve payment of ELCF October/20 Accounts totalling \$105.03.
Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to move 'in camera' at 7:38 p.m. to review information received from the Township's solicitor regarding OMERS.
Carried.

Palmer/MacDowall:

A motion to move from 'in camera' at 7:51 p.m.
Carried.

Cormier/Palmer:

A motion to continue working with the Township's solicitor regarding the OMERS issue. There is no change from Council's previous status regarding this subject.
Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to accept Connors Sand & Gravel snow removal rate of \$205.00 per hour for the 2020-21 winter season.

Carried.

MacDowall/Cormier:

A motion to terminate the rental agreement with Infrastructure Ontario (OPP) at the end of the current term (December 31, 2021) or at the end of a 60-day notice from Infrastructure Ontario, whichever comes first. The office space will then be made available to other users at that time.

Carried.

Cormier/Palmer:

A motion to invite Kelly Black, TDSSAB to a meeting to explain why the Township should pay the outstanding \$6,900.00 bill regarding an emergency incident on crown land that the Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched to. Why should the Fire Department not receive compensation for expenses incurred?

Carried.

MacDowall/Palmer:

A motion to defer the quotation from exp. Services regarding the design and permitting for the Lake Street Boat Launch to the 2021 budget discussions.

Carried.

Palmer/Cormier:

A motion to issue all tax payers a card that must be shown to the dump attendant effective January 1/21 to access the landfill site. This will reduce non-residents using the dump. All signs at the dump will be refreshed and/or replaced.

Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to cancel the 2020 Christmas Party due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Carried.



D. Hayes