

The Corporation of the Township of James

September 13, 2018.

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

In attendance were: Acting Reeve Dave Mullin, Councillor Henry Baker and Councillor Jan MacDowall. Reeve Terry Fiset was absent with regrets and Councillor Pam Cormier was also absent. Myrna Hayes and Shelly Tulpin were also in attendance.

Baker/Mullin:

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 16th/18 Regular Meeting.

Carried.

Delegation: Erin Cowan of Temiskaming Health Unit, Diane Pepinski Executive Director of the Englehart Family Health Team and Rhonda Ramsay Nurse Practitioner (NP) at Elk Lake Nursing Station.

These ladies were invited to the meeting to provide Council information regarding the operations of the Nursing Station and any future changes in services.

Ms. Pepinski provided the following information:

- Approval is pending for the Elk Lake Nursing Station (ELNS) funding to be transferred to the Englehart Family Health Team.
- Dr. Rasik will be replacing Dr. Mbava who is leaving Englehart at the end of September/18.
- Rhonda Ramsay, NP has been hired to work at the ELNS.
- The ELNS will be open 4 days/week.
- Two additional NPs will be hired to cover Rhonda's position in Elk Lake when she is away.
- Dr. Rasik will see patients in Elk Lake one day per month.
- The Englehart Hospital is merging with Kirkland Lake, but the Englehart Family Health Team will remain as is.
- Two doctors will work at the hospital and another 4 doctors will see patients at the Englehart Health Clinic.
- Englehart Hospital will be reinstating the Recruitment & Retention Committee in the near future and will be contacting all municipalities in the catchment area for financial support once again.

Ms. Rhonda Ramsay provided the following information:

- Patients visiting the ELNS have access to specialized physicians and health care.
 - Electronic Medical Records (EMR) allow Englehart Family Health Team personnel access to patients' records from New Liskeard, Timmins, and Sudbury hospitals and clinics.
 - Information regarding patients seen at the ELNS is forwarded to the patient's family doctor.
 - Appointments are made for the morning hours at the ELNS. This leaves time for walk-in patients in the afternoon.
 - The ELNS has equipment to manage emergencies if required.
 - There are no defined boundaries of the catchment area.
 - The Health Team welcomes any suggestions for improvements/additions, etc. at the ELNS.
- Ms. Erin Cowan stated that about 100 patients per month are seen by the NP in Elk Lake and the visiting doctor sees approximately 8 patients per month during his/her monthly visits.

Baker/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the Township's August 31st/18 Treasurer's Report.

Carried.

MacDowall/Baker:

A motion to approve the ELCF's August 31st/18 Treasurer's Report.

Carried.

MacDowall/Baker:

A motion to approve payment of August/18 Township of James Accounts.

Carried.

Baker/MacDowall:

A motion to approve payment of August/18 ELCF Accounts.

Carried.

BY-LAWS: None.

RESOLUTION 07-18:

MacDowall/Baker

WHEREAS Ontario Regulation 30/11 states the capital portion of the Care & Maintenance Fund cannot be accessed except when purchasing land adjacent to cemeteries to increase the capacity; AND WHEREAS the Township of James does not have a need to purchase land to increase cemetery capacity at this time or in the near future;

AND WHEREAS only the interest generated from the Care & Maintenance Fund can be accessed for the care and maintenance of the lots, markers and grounds of the cemetery; AND WHEREAS the Township of James has minimal funds to cover the cost of minimal maintenance of the cemeteries;

AND WHEREAS major maintenance projects such as road repair and tree maintenance/removal could be accomplished if access to the Care & Maintenance Fund was approved; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for The Corporation of the Township of James petitions the Bereavement Authority of Ontario to amend Ontario Regulation 30/11 to allow access to funds from the Care & Maintenance Fund for capital improvements and purchases when municipal cemetery funds are exhausted.

Carried.

Item 7.1: The ELVFD will be invited to comment on the resolution received from North Frontenac regarding provincial funding for required firemen training.

Item 7.2: Acting Reeve Dave Mullin reminded Council that the Community Feast will be held at the Community Centre on September 22/18. The Recreation Committee has requested a meeting with Council to discuss future events/activities that the committee has planned.

Baker/MacDowall:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Carried.

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