

The Corporation of the Township of James

August 13, 2020.

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

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

Palmer/Cormier:

A motion to approve the minutes of the July 9th/20 Regular Meeting.

Carried.

Delegation: Adam Gibson, Public Works

- Dump is cleaned up and should be good for a couple of months.
- The new bridge should be ready for traffic within three weeks. The curb work is complete on River Street East behind J & S Variety.
The Jack Munroe Memorial Park is cleaned up, but needs grass seed.
The planters in the Jack Munroe Park will be removed and stored behind the green garage where they will be stained.
- Still waiting to try out the bush cutter from Brownlee's.
- Councillor Fiset suggested that the concrete should be pulled out at the Lake Street boat launch. Adam agreed and will try to remove the concrete with the Township tractor.
- Councillor Fiset went on to inform Council that there will be about ^{35 miles} km. of paving done on Hwy 65 in 2021 and will be able to supply the Township with clean fill if needed. Approximately 200 loads can be used at the Industrial Park. If there is any discarded asphalt (broken up), it can be taken to the dump.

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

Delegation: Lynda Bartlett & Lucy Boudreault, Elk Lake Curling Club

- Curling Club wants the ice for November, December & January.
- There will be 3-person teams. The middle sheet will remain unused for the curling season.
- Lynda stated that the club should have 12 members.
- Councillor Fiset reminded the curling club that public skating must also be considered.
- Lynda went on to say that each curler would use the same two rocks thorough each game.
- The Curling Club representatives were advised that Council would look into what Curl Canada rules are being put in place for this curling season and see if curling in Elk Lake is feasible this year.

Lynda and Lucy left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to approve the Township's July 31st/20 Treasurer's Report.

General Revenue Account Balance: \$1,560,908.13.

Carried.

Fiset/Palmer:

A motion to approve the ELCF July 31st/20 Treasurer's Report.

General Revenue Account Balance: \$116,143.87.

Carried.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to approve the payment of Township of James July/20 Accounts totalling \$169,752.53.

Carried.

Fiset/Palmer:

A motion to approve payment of ELCF July/20 Accounts totalling \$100.16.

Carried.

BY-LAWS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to submit a letter to the Ministry of Transportation, the local O.P.P. Detachments and all local fire departments expressing concerns regarding the new invoicing system for reimbursement of expenses incurred by volunteer fire departments when requested to assist at incidents/accidents on Provincial Highways.

Carried.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to move in-camera at 8:15 p.m. to discuss the Ball Park Road matter.

Carried.

Fiset/Palmer:

A motion to move from 'in-camera' at 9:05 p.m.

Carried.

Fiset/Palmer:

A motion to direct the Township's solicitor to enlist the services of a mining law expert to provide information relevant to the Ball Park Road issue.

Carried.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to have the laneway use issue remain status quo.

Carried.

Item 7.1: MMAH will be contacted to clarification regarding 'seasonal recreation' classification for the property to be severed in Tudhope Twp.

Item 7.4: Council is in favour of selling a portion of Lot 135 on Elk Street to the abutting property owner pending clarification on the access to the new building.

Fiset/Palmer:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Carried.

Janet M. Dowell
pl. J. Hayes