

The Corporation of the Township of James

December 10, 2020.

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

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

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 12th/20 Regular Meeting.
Carried.

Palmer/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 2nd/20 Special Meeting.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: Councillor Pam Cormier declared a conflict for Item 10.3.

Delegation: Adam Gibson, Public Works

- New signs are needed at the dump....metal, wood, etc.
- Public Works staff and/or a member of Council will assist the dump attendant in the new year with the new rules and for accessing the dump.
- Crushing at the dump pit is complete.
- More lights are needed in the public works office. Joedy Aitchison can install 4 for under \$500.00. Joedy will also be reminded to review the lighting at the museum.
- The turn-around at the ball park is completed. The curbs will be set in the spring after the snow is gone.
- A streetlight will be installed at the corner of Fourth and Poplar Streets.

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

Delegation: George Degagne, CEMC

- George provided Council and staff with a list of designated committees and groups and their responsibilities in the event an emergency situation arises in the Township of James.
- This information is a requirement of Emergency Management Ontario.

Reeve Mullin thanked George for attending the meeting and outlining everyone's duties in an emergency situation. George left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Fiset/Cormier:

A motion to approve the Township's November 30th/20 Treasurer's Report.
General Revenue Account Balance: \$1,649,744.62.
Carried.

Fiset/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the ELCF November 30th/20 Treasurer's Report.
General Revenue Account Balance: \$115,468.08.
Carried.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to approve the payment of Township of James November/20 Accounts totalling \$129,504.61.
Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to approve payment of ELCF November/20 Accounts totalling \$100.73.
Carried.

MacDowall/Fiset:

A motion to adopt By-Law 20-10 designating Ball Park Road as a fire, rescue and emergency route pursuant to the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act*, 1997, S.O. 1997, C. 4 (FPPA).
Carried.

By-Law #20-10

Fiset/Cormier:

A motion to authorize the establishment of Mutual Aid Associations with neighbouring municipalities and to designate Ball Park Road (also known as Lake Street and as the Smyth Township Road) as a key fire, rescue and emergency route pursuant to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, S.O. 1007, c. 4 (FPPA); *be received and read a first time.*

Carried.

Palmer/MacDowall:

A motion to authorize the establishment of Mutual Aid Associations with neighbouring municipalities and to designate Ball Park Road (also known as Lake Street and as the Smyth Township Road) as a key fire, rescue and emergency route pursuant to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, S.O. 1007, c. 4 (FPPA); *be read a second time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole.*

Carried.

Cormier/Fiset:

A motion to authorize the establishment of Mutual Aid Associations with neighbouring municipalities and to designate Ball Park Road (also known as Lake Street and as the Smyth Township Road) as a key fire, rescue and emergency route pursuant to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, S.O. 1007, c. 4 (FPPA); *as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 20-10 that the said by-law be signed by the Reeve and Clerk.*

Carried.

Cormier/Fiset:

A motion to move 'in camera' at 7:55 p.m. to receive an update regarding the Ball Park Road issue.

Carried.

Palmer/Fiset:

A motion to move from 'in camera' at 8:03 p.m.

Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to continue status quo with the Township's solicitor regarding Ball Park Road.

Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to pay TDSSAB 50% of the outstanding amount owing (\$3,150) without interest. The balance will be paid when payment to the Elk Lake Volunteer Fire Department for emergency callouts on crown land issues is resolved.

Carried.

A member of Council asked if Councillor Fiset was in conflict regarding the management of the Elk Lake Storm Sewer Project being exp. Services with Hayden Fiset as Project Manager. The Township of James is entering into an agreement with exp. Services for the Elk Lake Storm Sewer Project, not Hayden Fiset. Hayden Fiset is an employee of exp. Services. Payment of services rendered will be made to exp. Services, not Hayden Fiset.

Cormier/Palmer:

A motion to enter into an agreement with exp. Services for the Design, Class EA and Project Management of the Elk Lake Storm Sewer Project at a cost of \$100,258.25, plus HST.

Carried.

Fiset/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the purchase of an ad in the 8th Annual Military Service Recognition Book at a cost of \$470.00, HST included.

Carried.

Fiset/Palmer:

A motion to have a street light installed at the corner of Fourth and Poplar Street.

Carried.

Item 4.1: Council reviewed the Communications requirements for projects completed with the use of the Federal Gas Tax Fund. It was decided to use the AMO report on the breakwall constructed behind the Township Office to replace the failing retaining wall in 2019. Most other projects completed using the Gas Tax Fund were improving drainage on the north side of town.

Item 10.5: Shelly is working on the dump passes (effective January 1st/21) that will be available for pick-up after December 23rd.

Item 10.6: Reeve Mullin stated that the location of the natural gas tanks would be the site of the former scales on Eacom property. The project will need 75' x 75' for piping only. Four to five trucks/week will bring the gas to the mill. There will be 3 trailers on site at a time.

To date, no additional lighting will be required at the site. No cement pad is required.

There will be no additional noise.

The project is not approved to date.

Councillor Fiset will locate the water line prior to the project moving forward.

Cormier/Fiset:

A motion to pay Christmas bonuses to employees at the 2019 rate.

Carried.

Cormier/Fiset:

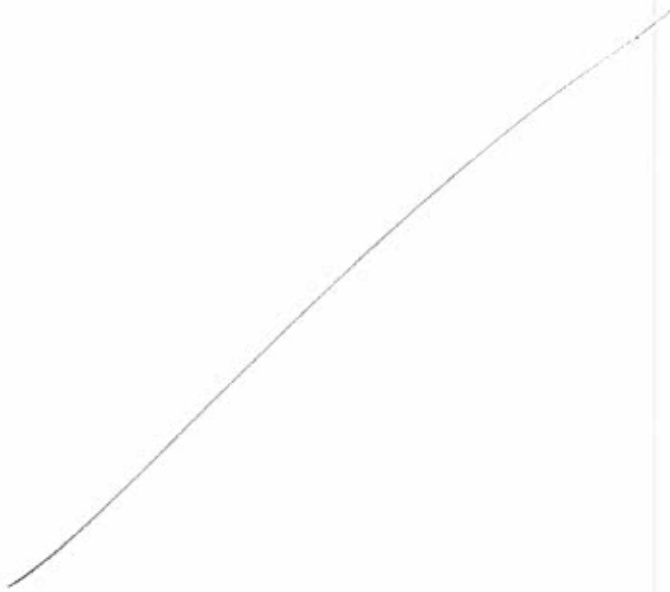
A motion for Council to invite full-time staff to a Christmas Dinner at the Eco Resource Centre. The date is to be determined.

Carried.

Cormier/MacDowall:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Carried.



MacDowall
M. J. Hayes

Jan 14 2021

