

The Corporation of the Township of James

April 11, 2019.

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 and Shelly Tulpin were also in attendance.

Mullin/MacDowall:

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 14th/19 Regular Meeting.

Carried.

Councillor Dave Mullin declared a conflict re Item #7.3.

Councillor Gary Palmer declared a conflict re Item #7.6.

Delegations: None.

MacDowall/Mullin:

A motion to approve the Township's March 31st/19 Treasurer's Report.

Carried.

Palmer/Mullin:

A motion to approve the ELCF's March 31st/19 Treasurer's Report.

Carried.

Mullin/MacDowall:

A motion to approve payment of March/19 Township of James Accounts.

Carried.

Mullin/Palmer:

A motion to approve payment of March/19 ELCF Accounts.

Carried.

BY-LAW 19-04:

Cormier/Palmer:

That a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement pursuant to Section 378 of the Municipal Act, 20991, Chapter 25; be received and read a first time.

Carried.

Mullin/Palmer:

That a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement pursuant to Section 378 of the Municipal Act, 20991, Chapter 25; be read a second time and be referred to a committee of the whole council.

Carried.

MacDowall/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement pursuant to Section 378 of the Municipal Act, 20991, Chapter 25; as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbers 19-04 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.

7.1 Reeve Fiset provided Council with an update of early discussions on April 2/19 regarding the Official Plan Update:

- Attendees in the office included were Reeve Terry Fiset, Kay Grant (MMAH), Rick Hunter (Planscape), Rick Gordon (MNR&F) and Shelly Tulpin.
- Ministries that participated in the teleconference included MNR&F, MEDJCT, MTO, OMAFRA, MNDM, Parks Ontario, MOE and MTCS.
- The 2014 Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) is the 'bible' for Official Planning. Kay Grant (MMAH) informed attendees that the current PPS is outdated and the new version is being written and is due for release later this summer.
- Rick Hunter stated that he would write the plan in a way that would enable him to meet the requirements of the new planning document if needed.
- There will be public meetings scheduled as the planning process moves forward. Notices of the meetings will be posted on the website, in the Explorer and in the public notice board outside of the Post Office.

Mullin/Cormier:

A motion to approve the location of J&S Variety mobile chip stand pending receipt of a letter expressing 'no concerns' from the Post Office and a plan showing the location of the picnic tables along with confirmation that the garbage will be stored at the present location for pick-up.

Carried.

MacDowall/Palmer:

A motion to have streetlights installed at June Mullin's and Bonnie Koistinen's residences on Highway 65 this summer.

Carried.

Cormier/Mullin:

A motion to approve the appointment of Sherry Fiset-Fisher to the Museum Board.

Carried.

7.6: Speaking as a resident of Elk Lake, Gary Palmer expressed his concerns with the actions of the former TMSA Chief Building Official (CBO). The CBO's additional requirements regarding the construction of Mr. Palmer's new shop total \$25,000 to date for a building that was to cost \$50,000 to build.

Mr. Palmer went on to state that the issue is bad for Elk Lake. Nobody wants to build in Elk Lake.

Shelly was directed to set up a meeting ASAP with TMSA Board members, the former CBO and Mr. Palmer to discuss this issue.

8.3 The recent letter received from TDSSAB is not accurate. Reeve Fiset will write a response and forward it to TDSSAB following review and comments from Council.

8.4 A letter will be sent to Charlie Angus, MP Timmins-James Bay in support of Cheryl Gallant's letter re Bill C-278, the Foreign Lobbyist Transparency Act.

8.11 Reeve Fiset put forward some suggestions re the allocation of the \$203,200 received from MMAH. i.e. \$50,000 to refurbish the waterworks reserve, a one-time allocation of \$5,000 to the four committees of council...fire, museum, library and recreation.
Council members were advised to bring their ideas to the May/19 meeting.

Mullin/Palmer:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Carried.



R. J. Hayes