

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

Reeve Rodger Donaldson, Councillor Chris Cormier, Councillor Michael DeCarlo and Councillor Steven McIntyre attended the meeting. Councillor Michelle Fiset was absent with regrets. Reeve Donaldson chaired the meeting. Myrna Hayes and Teri-Lynn Jibb were also in attendance

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 16th/23 Regular Meeting.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A Motion to approve the minutes of the September 13th/23 Special Meeting.

Carried.

No members of Council declared a conflict regarding agenda items.

Delegation: Nick Seed of Kemp Elliott & Blair LLP

- Nick provided Council with a short review of the 2022 Audit.
- Overall 'the Township continues to enjoy good financial health'.

A number of documents required for the completion of the 2022 audit were signed by Council members. Nick was thanked for attending the meeting and left at 7:30 p.m.

Delegation: Adam Gibson, Public Works Foreman

- Still gathering information regarding speed signs. More information will be provided at the October/23 meeting.
- Playground equipment will not be installed until October or into November/23
The old playground equipment will be damaged when removed. It will not be worth selling or donating to anyone! The galvanized steel posts will be sawn off and used for signage. The sand required will be stockpiled in close proximity to the playground.
- Ball Park Road has been repaired. A few more loads of gravel will be needed to finish off the remainder of the road.
- Max Daviau of Earlton Heating state the propane furnace for the Community Centre will cost about \$10,000 and the Library's will be about \$8,000. Prices are going up! Max thinks both propane furnaces can be installed for about \$21,000.00.
- The resurfacing of Third, Fourth and Grey Street will be deferred as Miller's would not lower their quoted price.
- The second phase of the gully project has been postponed. Pedersen Construction is too busy this year. Additional quotes from local contractors will be requested.
- The garbage truck is badly in need of body work. It will not pass another safety check. Armstrong Motors has provided the best quote for the bodywork at \$18,000.00.
- The new sander has been ordered with an approximate delivery of four weeks.

Adam was thanked for his report and left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to proceed with the installation of the two propane furnaces (Community Centre & Library) at a cost of approximately \$21,000.00.

Carried.

Cormier/De Carlo:

A motion to proceed with the Garbage Truck necessary bodywork for an estimated \$18,000.00.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to move 'in camera at 8:10 p.m. to discuss Ball Park Road

Carried.

De Carlo/Cormier:

A motion to move from 'in camera' at 8:25 p.m.

Carried.

Cormier/De Carlo:

A motion to request legal advice regarding the recent activities on Ball Park Road.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to approve the Township's August 31st /23 Treasurer's Report.
General Revenue Account Balance: \$1,401,833.02.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to approve the ELCF August 31st/23 Treasurer's Report.
General Revenue Account Balance: \$130,115.23.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to approve the payment of Township of James August/23 Accounts totaling \$90,119.41.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to approve the payment of ELCF August/23 Accounts totaling \$5.00.

Carried.

De Carlo/Cormier:

A motion to adopt By-Law 23-11: to provide for the regulation and control of animals within the Township.

Carried.

By-Law 23-16

De Carlo/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the Re-transfer of the land described at Part 4 of RP54R-5313, 78 Ontario Street, Part Lot 5, Concession 4, Part of PIN 613000-0407 to the Township of James for the sum of \$15,000 less the cost of all conveyance; *be received and read a first time.*

Carried.

De Carlo/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the Re-transfer of the land described at Part 4 of RP54R-5313, 78 Ontario Street, Part Lot 5, Concession 4, Part of PIN 613000-0407 to the Township of James for the sum of \$15,000 less the cost of all conveyance; *be read a second time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.*

Carried.

De Carlo/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the Re-transfer of the land described at Part 4 of RP54R-5313, 78 Ontario Street, Part Lot 5, Concession 4, Part of PIN 613000-0407 to the Township of James for the sum of \$15,000 less the cost of all conveyance ; *as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 23-16 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.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to adopt By-Law 23-17: the sale of property, namely lots 260 & 261 on Fifth Street West to 894107 Ontario Limited (Mathieu Forest Mobile Equipment Rental) for the sum of \$15,000.00 plus HST, plus cost of conveyance;

Carried.

By-Law 23-17

McIntyre/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the sale of property, namely lots 260 & 261 on Fifth Street West to 894107 Ontario Limited (Mathieu Forest Mobile Equipment Rental) for the sum of \$15,000.00 plus HST, plus cost of conveyance; *be received and read a first time.*

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the sale of property, namely lots 260 & 261 on Fifth Street West to 894107 Ontario Limited (Mathieu Forest Mobile Equipment Rental) for the sum of \$15,000.00 plus HST, plus cost of conveyance; *be read a second time and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.*

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

That a By-Law to authorize the sale of property, namely lots 260 & 261 on Fifth Street West to 894107 Ontario Limited (Mathieu Forest Mobile Equipment Rental) for the sum of \$15,000.00 plus HST, plus cost of conveyance; *as reported by the Committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 23-12 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.

De Carlo/Cormier:

A motion to approve the purchase of the annual ad in the 'Military Service Recognition Book' for \$585.34.

Carried.

Item 8.2: Short-term rental property by-law will be established using those of other municipalities as necessary.

Item 8.6: Youth Group Events include;

- A meeting in October,
- A Hallowe'en Dance for the older youth and Hallowe'en activities for the younger group,
- The Recreation Committee will be asked for a donation to purchase the needed supplies for the Hallowe'en events.

Item 9.2: THU and SHU will be amalgamated.

- The Province deems it necessary to reduce the number of HUs in Ontario.
- There will be no lay-off of present staff,
- There will be a reduction in the municipal board representatives,

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:20p.m.

Carried.