

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

Reeve Rodger Donaldson, Councillor Chris Cormier, Councillor Michael De Carlo, Councillor Michelle Fiset and Councillor Steven McIntyre attended the meeting. Reeve Donaldson chaired the meeting. Myrna Hayes, Teri-Lynn Jibb and Doug Speck were also in attendance.

McIntyre/De Carlo:

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 4th/23 Regular Meeting.

Carried.

No members of Council declared a conflict regarding agenda items.

Delegation:

Marc Leveille, ELVFD Chief:

- Fireman Certification books have arrived. ELVFD is waiting for more details regarding fire department members being 'grandfathered' in to the certification requirements.
- There has been 1 call-out during the past month at the mill.
- Real Verrier is retiring from the ELVFD in the near future. We need younger recruits on the department.
- At present we have 18 members. This number has worked well for the department.

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

Adam Gibson, Public Works Foreman

- Requested quotes for sidewalk sander. It will be needed next winter and will take 3-4 weeks for delivery.
- The new public works labourer will start working on Friday, February 3rd/23. He should provide a driver abstract, criminal record check and VSC is required before his 3-month probation period has expired.
- Oil furnace in the shop blew up with soot all over everything. Got in electric heaters until propane furnace was installed.
- Will request a quotation for a contractor to clean up shop rather than contact the Township's insurance provider.

Cormier/Fiset:

A motion to approve the Township's January 31st/23 Treasurer's Report.

General Revenue Account Balance: \$1,138,489.80.

Carried.

De Carlo/Fiset:

A motion to approve the ELCF January 31st/23 Treasurer's Report.

General Revenue Account Balance: \$125,531.18.

Carried.

McIntyre/Fiset:

A motion to approve the payment of Township of James January/23 Accounts totalling \$107,819.43.

Carried.

Cormier/McIntyre:

A motion to accept Story Environmental Elk Lake Landfill Waste Desposition Plan as presented at the December 8th/22 Regular Meeting..

Carried.

McIntyre/DE Carlo:

A motion to accept the quote from Planscape for completion of the Official Plan in 2023.

Carried.

McIntyre/Cormier:

A motion to join Temiskaming Chamber of Commerce. Councillor Fiset declared a conflict regarding this matter.

Carried.

Item 7.3: Reeve Donaldson will contact RTMI regarding the purchase of 0.75 hectares of property in the Industrial Park.

Item 7.6: The property that Mr. Speck wishes to purchase from the Township on Third Street East was looked at. This area has a culvert that provides access for water flow to the river. Council has recommended that the area not be sold and the use of it should remain status quo for the present time.

Councillor McIntyre informed Council that THU board meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month, the same as Township of James Council Meetings. He requested that the Township Council Meetings be changed to the third Wednesday of each month, effective March 15th/23.

Reeve Donaldson & Councillor Cormier reported that the creation of medieval villages in the District was the topic of discussion at the TMA Regular Meeting in Earlton.

Reeve Donaldson reported that he met with Terry Fiset and Jeff Barton and discussed the history of the ELCF and possible future activities.

McIntyre/De Carlo:

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

Carried.