

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHAMBERLAIN HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON Tuesday March 1st, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.**

**Present:** Kerry Stewart, Cary Hager, Debra Schenk, Charles Codd, Shirley Blackburn, and Calvin Rodgers.

**Regrets:** Bruce Knott.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

2016-037 Charles Codd/Debra Schenk

**WHEREAS** there is a quorum of Council present;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular meeting of Tuesday March 1st, 2016, is hereby opened for business. –Carried

2016-038 Cary Hager/Shirley Blackburn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda of Council for this meeting is hereby adopted as presented. –Carried

2016-039 Shirley Blackburn/Charles Codd

**THAT** the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 2nd, 2016, are adopted as presented, and the reading thereof dispensed with. –Carried

2016-040 Cary Hager/Debra Schenk

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the accounts for the month of February 2016, in the amount of \$88,868.83 are to be paid in full. –Carried

2016-041 Charles Codd/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS** it has been the practice in Chamberlain Township to offer 'Free Dump Days' in the spring to residents of the Township;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Township of Chamberlain does hereby declare the days of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016, to be days where no tipping fees will be charged on garbage generated on land in the Township of Chamberlain. However, household garbage still needs to be bagged as usual and all fees for tires will still apply. -Carried

2016-042 Debra Schenk/Cary Hager

**THAT** Council agrees to increase the fee for the provision of water supply for the property known as #467495 Chamberlain Road 5, Parcel 22344 SST, Part 1, Plan 54R2677, South Part of Lot 6 Concession 5, Chamberlain Township from \$30 per month to \$40.00 per month. –Carried

2016-043 Debra Schenk/Cary Hager

**THAT** By-law #2016-06, being a by-law to provide for the provision of a shared water supply between the Township of Chamberlain and the property owners at #467495 Chamberlain Road 5, be read a first, second, third and final time, and passed in open council on March 1st, 2016. -Carried

2016-044 Shirley Blackburn/Debra Schenk

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Township of Chamberlain has given careful consideration to the issue of an overall wage increase to its employees;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council hereby authorize a 2% wage increase to all positions on the employee wage grid, effective March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. –Carried

2016-045 Debra Schenk/Cary Hager

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law #2016-07 being a by-law to appoint Deanna Stevenson as Deputy Clerk-Treasurer for The Corporation of the Township of Chamberlain, be read a first, second, third and final time and passed this 1st day of March 2016. –Carried

2016-046 Debra Schenk/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS** the Township has received a request for support from the Town of Carleton Place regarding infrastructure funding fairness;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario recently scored applications for two major infrastructure programs, the Small Communities Fund (SCF) and the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) and ranked municipalities based on their economic conditions and fiscal situations;

**AND WHEREAS** some of the indicators used to score municipalities actually penalize a municipality that has planned for future infrastructure needs by establishing financial reserves;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities have little ability to alter their circumstances and improve their score or ranking;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Chamberlain support the Town of Carleton Place by calling upon Minister Jeff Leal to discontinue the use of the current evaluation criteria that penalizes municipalities that plan to maintain their infrastructure and instead distribute all future infrastructure grants to all municipalities utilizing a fair and equitable formula. -Carried

2016-047 Cary Hager/Debra Schenk

**THAT** By-law #2016-04, being a by-law to establish tax ratios for 2016, be read a first, second, third and final time, and passed in open council on March 1st, 2016. -Carried

2016-048 Shirley Blackburn/Charles Codd

**THAT** By-law #2016-05, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of the 2016 municipal budget, to set 2016 municipal tax rates, and to provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof, be read a first, second, third and final time, and passed in open council on March 1st, 2016. -Carried

2016-049 Charles Codd/Cary Hager

**THAT** this meeting be adjourned until the next regular meeting April 5th, 2016, or at the call of the Chair. –Carried

ADJOURNED: 8:20 p.m.

Correspondence:

Ernie Hardeman re: Letter sent to Finance Minister Sousa asking for assurance that the budget next week will not contain any further cuts to the programs that municipalities depend on.

LAS Energy Finance Workshop

Callander re: Letter of support regarding the letter Charlie Angus sent to John Pecman, Commissioner of Competition, regarding the lack of fairness in gas prices

AMO Welcomes Increased Infrastructure Funding for Municipalities

Card of Thanks from the Englehart Public Library

Town of Latchford re: letter to MPP about the renewal of FedNor funding for Local Initiatives Contribution Program delivered by Community Futures Development Corporations in Northern Ontario

Municipality of Charlton and Dack letter regarding Fire Department Budget for 2016

FONOM Recent Provincial Announcements regarding spring bear hunt and investments into infrastructure

Increase in the 2016 rates for the Forest Fire Municipal Agreement at \$1.21/ha

Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services response to Chamberlain's OPP Billing motion

John Vanthof, MPP, letter regarding Provincial Hwy Maintenance request for information from municipalities

AMO listing of Bills that are currently impacting municipalities

Canadian Training Resources Leadership Conference for Supervisors and Managers May 5-6, 2016, Thunder Bay

Minutes/Committee Reports:

Temiskaming Municipal Building Association minutes of February 19th, 2016, and letters from Reeve Mundle, Evanturel Township and Mayor Cull, Town of Latchford

Community Policing minutes of December 3rd, 2016, agenda for March 3rd meeting

Chamberlain Recreation Committee minutes of February 9th, 2016

Chamberlain Township Public Works minutes of February 17th, 2016

Chamberlain Township Finance minutes of February 17th, 2016

Earlton - Temiskaming Regional Airport minutes of January 21st, 2016

Reeve: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk-Treasurer/CAO: \_\_\_\_\_