

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHAMBERLAIN HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON Tuesday February 7th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Kerry Stewart, Carol Tucker, Shirley Blackburn, Cary Hager, Charlie Codd, Bruce Knott and Calvin Rodgers.

Regrets: None.

Presentation: Danielle Girard, KEB re: 2016 Consolidated Financial Statements

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

2017-21 Shirley Blackburn/Charles Codd

WHEREAS there is a quorum of Council present;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Tuesday February 7th, 2017 is hereby opened for business. -Carried

2017-22 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

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

2017-23 Charles Codd/Shirley Blackburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Tuesday January 3rd, 2017, and the minutes of the Special Council meetings of January 9th and January 17th, are adopted as presented, and the reading thereof dispensed with. -Carried

2017-24 Charles Codd/Carol Tucker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2016 Consolidated Financial Statements for the Corporation of the Township of Chamberlain, as presented by Kemp, Elliot, and Blair LLP, be accepted as presented. -Carried

2017-25 Charles Codd/Cary Hager

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts for the month of January 2017, in the amount of \$175,873.79 are to be paid in full. -Carried

2017-26 Shirley Blackburn/Charles Codd

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of Chamberlain hereby approves the minutes of the December 21st, 2016, meeting of the Joint Emergency Program Committee and ratifies the actions of same. –Carried

2017-27 Shirley Blackburn/Cary Hager

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of Chamberlain propose that any financial budget increases for municipalities in the 2017 DTSSAB (District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board) budget, be paid for out of the general reserves of DTSSAB;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to DTSSAB and the Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA) for support. -Carried

2017-28 Cary Hager/Carol Tucker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-01, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Council of the Township of Chamberlain be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of February 2017. –Carried

2017-29 Shirley Blackburn/Carol Tucker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer/CAO to pay the 2017 membership fee for the Englehart & District Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$30.00. -Carried

2017-30 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to have a co-op student from Englehart High School from February – June 2017 in the Public Works Department.
-Carried

2017-31 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

WHEREAS the Central Timiskaming Planning Board passed their 2017 budget and set the municipal fee at \$750 for 2017, which is unchanged from 2016;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of Chamberlain accepts the municipal fee for the Central Timiskaming Planning Board at the rate of \$750 per municipality for the year 2017. –Carried

2017-32 Shirley Blackburn/Charles Codd

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Chamberlain renew the contract with the Englehart Public Library at the rate of \$40.00 per household for library service for the year 2017;

AND FURTHER THAT Council agree to forward the provincial grant for library service once it is received. –Carried

2017-33 Charles Codd/Cary Hager

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-02, being a by-law to authorize an agreement between the City of Temiskaming Shores and the Corporation of the Township of Chamberlain regarding the acceptance of recyclable materials at the Spoke Transfer Station be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of February 2017. -Carried

2017-34 Cary Hager/Shirley Blackburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-03, being a by-law to adopt an insurance package for the year 2017 be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of February 2017. -Carried

2017-35 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-05, being a by-law to establish tax ratios for 2017, be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of February 2017. -Carried

2017-36 Cary Hager/Carol Tucker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-06, being a by-law to execute an agreement between the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Corporation of the Township of Chamberlain regarding the prevention, control and extinguishment of fires within the limits of the municipality be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of February 2017. -Carried

2017-37 Carol Tucker/Charles Codd

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-04, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed this 7th day of February 2017. -Carried

2017-38 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the 2016 Statement of Remuneration and Expenses Paid(below), for the members of the Council of the Township of Chamberlain, as presented by the Clerk-Treasurer/CAO in accordance with Section 284 (1) and (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O., c.25, and municipal By-law 2012-05:

2016 Statement of Remuneration

Name of Council Member	Honorarium/Stipend	Mileage	Total
Kerry Stewart	2,775.00	417.39	3,192.39
Charles Codd	1,640.00	186.41	1,826.41
Shirley Blackburn	2,340.00	203.02	2,543.02
Cary Hager	1,440.00	0	1,440.00
Debra Schenk	990	0	990
	\$9,185.00	\$806.82	\$9,991.82

-Carried

2017-39 Charles Codd/Cary Hager

WHEREAS the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997*, legislates that the fire prevention, public education and fire protection services are a mandatory municipal responsibility;

AND WHEREAS there are a total of 449 Fire Departments operating in the province comprised of 32 Full-Time Departments, 191 Composite Departments and 226 Volunteer Departments with 11,376 Full-Time Firefighters Full-Time Firefighters, 19,347 Volunteer Firefighters and 343 Park-Time Firefighters staffing these departments;

AND WHEREAS the fire service represents a significant percentage of small, rural and northern municipalities' managed capital assets;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Fire Department and associated assets represented critical municipal infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS there are currently no funding opportunities available from the Provincial or the Federal Government for the equipment, training, maintenance, operating or capital requirements of local fire departments;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Chamberlain petition the Provincial Government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department infrastructure as part of the Provincial Governments Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward;

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association. -Carried

2017-40 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

WHEREAS there has been no increase to the gas tax funding formula since 2006 and that with the increased costs arising from the implementation of Cap and Trade it is more expensive for municipalities consuming fuel;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of Chamberlain will forward a letter to the Ministry of Transportation encouraging the provincial government to review the gas tax funding formula;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and M.P.P. John Vanthof, Timiskaming-Cochrane.
-Carried

2017-41 Cary Hager/Charles Codd

WHEREAS The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) extended the spring bear hunt pilot for 2017;

AND WHEREAS there is inequity in the allocation of non-resident bear license validation forms;

AND WHEREAS the science used in the calculation of black bear population density is inaccurate and outdated;

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AND WHEREAS the Northeastern Ontario Bear Management Association has asked to assist the MNRF with gathering new scientific data;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA) requests that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry recognize and begin discussion with the Northeastern Ontario Bear Management Association for the fair and equitable distribution of non-resident bear license validation forms for 2017 and beyond;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to the Honorable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honorable Kathryn McGarry, Ministry of Natural Resources, and Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).

-Carried

2017-42 Carol Tucker/Shirley Blackburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of Chamberlain support the Counties of Bruce and Grey, and The County of Prince Edward, as it relates to urging the Minister of Education to rewrite the Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline (PARG), to take into consideration community and economic value consideration of rural communities and provide for a more democratic process;

AND THAT until such time as PARG is rewritten, that the Province put in place a moratorium on rural school closures;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this support resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Minister of Education, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario. -Carried

2017-43 Charles Codd/Cary Hager

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned until the next regular meeting March 7th, 2017, or at the call of the Chair. -Carried

ADJOURNED: 8:45p.m.

Correspondence:

Mun. of Bluewater & Mun. of Calvin, re Funding Fire Dept. Infrastructure **res of support request**
Cobalt Northern Ontario Firefighters Museum
AMO 2017 Strategic Objectives
Prince Edward County re Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline **res of support request**
Owen Sound re Gas Tax Funding Formula **res of support request**
High School Co-operative Student Application
Victim Services of Temiskaming District re Canada 150 for 150 Volunteer Challenge
Englehart Winter Carnival Schedule of Events
Patrick Brown, MPP, Investments in Natural Gas Infrastructure
TMA and NOBMA **res of support request** re spring bear hunt data request
Northeastern Ontario Public Works Organization re 2017 Membership

Minutes/Reports:

Central Temiskaming Planning Board, **By-law 2017-01 Budget, Minutes June 2016**
Englehart and Area Fire Department, **Fire department financial info**
Englehart and District Chamber of Commerce, **2017 membership**
Joint Emergency Program Committee, **December 21st, 2016 minutes**

Reeve: _____

Clerk-Treasurer/CAO: _____