



## THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**April 11, 2023**

PRESENT:        Pauline Rochefort, Mayor                      Rick Champagne, Councillor  
                     Terry Kelly, Councillor                      Lauren Rooyakkers, Deputy Mayor  
                     Steven Trahan, Councillor

STAFF            Monica L. Hawkins, Clerk                      Jason Trottier, CAO/Treasurer  
PRESENT:

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Rochefort called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**2023-89**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 11th day of April, 2023 be adopted as prepared.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**3. Accepting the Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):**

a. Approval of Council Minutes of March 28th, 2023

**2023-90**

**Moved by** Councillor Champagne

**Seconded by** Councillor Kelly

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held March 28th, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

Mayor Rochefort advised that from the last meeting it was mentioned that Mr. Matt Henderson, Bell Canada was to do a presentation to Council regarding internet. The presentation has been postponed to May 23rd, 2023 Council meeting.

**5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest- Pecuniary Interest Thereof**

None for this session

**6. Chair's Comments:**

Mayor Rochefort welcomed Councillor Champagne. Councillor Champagne joined the Council meeting on-line.

**7. Delegations to Council:**

None for this session

**8. Committee Reports:**

a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

None for this session.

b. Community Emergency Management Committee

None for this session

c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee

Mayor Rochefort mentioned that sometimes there are events in our Municipality where firefighters are called out and citizens are commenting on how our firefighters are professional and caring. Councillor Trahan stated that the Fire Department is fully invested in what they do and advised that the Fire Department will be doing equipment testing this weekend.

d. Planning Advisory Committee

Next meeting is April 19th, 2023

e. Committee of Adjustment

Next meeting is April 19th, 2023

f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee

Next meeting is April 18th, 2023

g. Economic Development Committee

Next meeting is April 26th, 2023

- h. Striking Committee  
None for this session

**9. Board Reports:**

- a. Library Board
  - 1. Minutes of April 3rd, 2023
- b. Police Services Board
  - 1. Minutes of March 30th, 2023
  - 2. Recommendation(s) from minutes

**2023-91**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Whereas the East Ferris Police Services Board recommended to Council to support the Community Safety Zone Designation as prepared by the PSB outlined in the minutes of their meeting held March 30th, 2023;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council for the Municipality of East Ferris approves of this recommendation.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- c. Cassellholme, DNSSAB, Health Unit and NBMCA

**10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:**

- a. Report No. COMM-2023-04  
**2023-92**  
**Moved by** Councillor Trahan  
**Seconded by** Councillor Champagne

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accept Information Report No. COMM-2023-04 as prepared by the Director of Community Services regarding Floating Accommodations - Proposal to Amend O.Reg 161/17.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**11. Notice of Motions**

None for this session

**12. By-laws:**

None for this session

**13. Correspondence and Information Items:**

- a. Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility
- b. NBMCA
- c. North Bay Regional Health Centre Foundation
- d. Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS)

Council referred for support - Resolution to oppose utility locate costs.

**14. Action Items:**

- a. Approval of Correspondence and Information circulated with agenda

**2023-93**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Councillor Kelly

THAT Council approve the Correspondence and Information as circulated with the agenda of April 11th, 2023.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- b. Municipality of North Perth

**2023-94**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris support resolution from the Municipality of North Perth regarding School Bus Stop Arm Cameras and urges the Provincial Government to require all school buses to have stop arm cameras installed and paid for by the Province for the start of the 2023-2024 school year and Underwrite the costs for the implementation and on-going annual costs for Administrative Monetary Penalties in small and rural municipalities;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Attorney General Doug Downey, Minister of Education Stephen Lecce, Provincial opposition parties, OGRA, AMO and FONOM.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**15. Approval of Accounts Payable**

**2023-95**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated April 11th, 2023 in the amount of \$ 592,815.72.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**16. Other Business**

None for this session

**17. In Camera (if required)**

None for this session

**18. Confirmatory By-Law**

- a. Confirmatory By-law No. 2023-16 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

**2023-96**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of East Ferris deems it expedient to pass three readings of the following by-law at this session; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council from March 28th, 2023 to April 11th, 2023, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-16;

AND THAT said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**19. Adjournment**

**2023-97**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

**Seconded by** Councillor Champagne

THAT we do now adjourn at 6:25 p.m. and meet again on April 25th, 2023.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

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Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

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Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins