



**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

September 12, 2023

PRESENT: Pauline Rochefort, Mayor
Terry Kelly, Councillor
Steven Trahan, Councillor

Rick Champagne, Councillor
Lauren Rooyakkers, Deputy Mayor

STAFF PRESENT: Jason Trottier, CAO/Treasurer

Kari Hanselman, Clerk

1. Call to Order

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

2. Adoption of Agenda

2023-223

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 12th day of September, 2023 be adopted as prepared.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

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

a. Approval of Council Minutes: Regular Meeting of August 8th, 2023 and Special Meeting of August 28th, 2023

2023-224

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 8th, 2023 and the Special Council Meeting of August 28th, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None for this session

5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest- Pecuniary Interest Thereof

None for this session

6. Chair's Comments:

Mayor Rochefort commented on the success of the Volunteer Recognition Event earlier today. Council members attended the AMO Conference last month and were impressed with the information provided at the event.

7. Delegations to Council:

None for this session

8. Committee Reports:

a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

Councillor Champagne advised Groulx Road will be closed from September 18th through 21st for the emergency replacement of a large culvert.

b. Community Emergency Management Committee

None for this session

c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee

1. Minutes of August 16th, 2023

1. Recommendation(s) from Minutes

2023-225

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

WHEREAS the Fire and Emergency Services Committee reviewed a draft fireworks by-law at their August 16th, 2023 Committee meeting;

AND WHEREAS the Committee recommends to Council that the by-law to regulate the setting off of fireworks in the municipality be approved;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council approves of this recommendation.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

2. Minutes of September 6th, 2023

d. Planning Advisory Committee

None for this session

e. Committee of Adjustment

1. Minutes of August 16th, 2023

f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee

None for this session

g. Economic Development Committee

None for this session

h. Striking Committee

None for this session

9. Board Reports:

a. Library Board

None for this session

b. Police Services Board

None for this session

c. Cassellholme, DNSSAB, Health Unit and NBMCA

10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:

- a. PLAN-2023-07

2023-226

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris directs staff to obtain an Opinion of Value from a real estate agent for the lands as shown on Schedule D of Report No. PLAN-2023-07, lots 1 and 2;

AND THAT this item be deferred and brought back to Council once the Opinion of Value has been obtained.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. Report No. R-2023-09

2023-227

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Municipal Engineer contained in Report No. R-2023-09 and approve that Tender EF-2023-08 for a Thin Concrete Overlay in the amount of \$129,267.25 including H.S.T. be awarded to Labonté Concrete Ltd. for the Corbeil Outside Rink.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- c. Report No. R-2023-10

2023-228

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Municipal Engineer contained in Report No. R-2023-10 and approve that Tender EF-2023-09 for a New Dasher Board System in the amount of \$130,695.80 including H.S.T. be awarded to Athletica Sport Systems for the Corbeil Outside Rink.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

11. Notice of Motions

None for this session

12. By-laws:

- a. By-law No. 2023-36: 1st and 2nd Reading

2023-229

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT By-law No. 2023-36 being a By-law to provide regulations for the setting off of fireworks, BE READ a first and second time this 12th day of September, 2023.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. By-law No. 2023-37: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2023-230

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 adopt the salary grid for non-union employees, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-37;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- c. By-law No. 2023-38: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2023-231

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

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 amend By-law 2020-11, a by-law to establish and regulate a fire department, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-38;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- d. By-law No. 2023-39: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2023-232

Moved by Councillor Trahan

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 appoint a Lottery Licensing Officer, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-39;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

13. Correspondence and Information Items:

- a. Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
- b. Ministry of Infrastructure
- c. Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing
- d. Ontario Land Tribunal
- e. Ontario Provincial Police
- f. Board of Health
- g. AMO

1. Re: 2022 Annual Report
 2. Re: AMO Communications: August 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st and September 7th, 2023
 3. Re: AMO Policy Update - Cabinet Shuffle, Municipal Risk & Gender-Based Violence
- h. MPAC
- i. Municipality of St. Charles
Referred for support
- j. Township of Emo
- k. Township of Severn

14. Action Items:

- a. Approval of Correspondence and Information Circulated with the Agenda

2023-233

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT Council approve the Correspondence and Information as circulated with the agenda of September 12th, 2023.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. Referred for support from meeting of August 8th, 2023

1. Resolution: Town of Woodstock - Homelessness and Opioid Crisis

2023-234

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the Town of Woodstock's resolution regarding Homelessness and the Opioid Crisis.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

2. Resolution: CN - Rail Safety Week

2023-235

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 18 to 24, 2023;

AND WHEREAS, 232 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2022; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 43 avoidable serious injuries;

AND WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries cause by incidents involving trains and citizens;

AND WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

AND WHEREAS CN has requested that Council for the Municipality of East Ferris adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council for the Municipality of East Ferris support national Rail Safety Week to be held from September 18 to 24, 2023.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

3. Resolution: Municipality of Chatham-Kent - Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

2023-236

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the Municipality of Chatham-Kent's resolution regarding changes to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Carried Mayor Rochefort

4. Resolution: Municipality of Wawa - Chronic Pain

2023-237

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the Municipality of Wawa's resolution regarding the Chronic Pain.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

5. Resolution: Town of Halton Hills - Support for School Bus Arm Cameras

2023-238

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the Town of Halton Hill's resolution regarding School Bus Arm Cameras;

AND THAT this resolution be sent to the Ontario Roads Association, the Ontario Public School Board Association, and the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

6. Resolution: Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan - Intimate Partner Violence

2023-239

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the Town of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan's resolution regarding Intimate Partner Violence.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

15. Approval of Accounts Payable

2023-240

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated September 12th, 2023 in the amount of \$931,376.13.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

16. Other Business

None for this session

17. In Camera

Council proceeded to in-camera session for matters pertaining to the following:

- Building Faster Fund
- Lavigne Road Quarry

2023-241

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera Session at 7:37 p.m., under Section 239(2) (b) and (k) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 in order to address matters pertaining to:

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees relating to the Building Faster Fund; and
- a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board relating to the Lavigne Road Quarry.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

2023-242

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera meeting at 8:55 p.m. and return to our regular session of Council.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

18. Documents for In-Camera Session under Section 239(2)(k)

- a. Documents relating to In-Camera Session

19. Confirmatory By-Law

- a. By-law No. 2023-40: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2023-243

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

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 August 8th, 2023 to September 12th, 2023, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-40;

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

Carried Mayor Rochefort

20. Adjournment

2023-244

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

Mayor
Pauline Rochefort

Clerk
Kari Hanselman