



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

March 14, 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

2023-63

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 14th day of March, 2023 be adopted as prepared.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

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

a. Approval of Minutes - February 28th, 2023

2023-64

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

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

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 advised that the Municipality will be having the Grand Opening of the New Municipal Office on Friday, March 24th, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

7. Delegations to Council:

None for this session

8. Committee Reports:

a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

There was a Public Works meeting held on March 9th, 2023. Minutes will be on the Council agenda of March 28th, 2023.

b. Community Emergency Management Committee

None for this session

c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee

1. Minutes of Meeting February 27th, 2023

Councillor Trahan reported on the minutes of the Fire and Emergency Services Committee meeting held February 27th, 2023.

d. Planning Advisory Committee

None for this session

e. Committee of Adjustment

None for this session

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

None for this session

10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:

- a. Report No. CAO-2023-02

2023-65

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS Council has reviewed Report No. CAO-2023-02;

AND WHEREAS Council wish to go with Option #2 of Report No. CAO-2023-02;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council Remuneration be changed effective January 1st, 2023 to the following amounts:

- Mayor - \$2300.00 per month
- Deputy Mayor - \$1,419.17 per month
- Council Members - \$1,379.17 per month

AND FURTHER THAT the current per diem and meal allowance rates remain the same.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

11. Notice of Motions

None for this session

12. By-laws:

- a. By-law No. 2023-11, 1st and 2nd Reading

2023-66

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

THAT By-law No. 2023-11 being a By-law to establish fees and charges for services or use of Municipal Property be read a first and second time this 14th day of March, 2023.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

- b. By-law No. 2023-12 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2023-67

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 No. 2019-60 as amended (Teresa and Kevin Gilchrist), BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-12;

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 Environment, Conservation and Parks
- b. Municipality of Chatham-Kent
Council referred for support.
- c. Municipality of Moonbeam
- d. Municipality of Trent Lakes
- e. FONOM
- f. Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)
- g. Carnival Committee
- h. Powassan Agricultural Society

14. Action Items:

- a. Approval of Correspondence and Information circulated with the agenda

2023-68

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

Seconded by Councillor Trahan

THAT Council approve the Correspondence and Information as circulated with the agenda of March 14th, 2023.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

15. Approval of Accounts Payable

Councillor Champagne did not vote on the motion to approve the Accounts Payable. Councillor Champagne advised that he would like to see the cheque register prior to voting on the motion. Council agreed that the Accounts Payable be circulated at the meeting for Council to review prior to voting on the Accounts Payable motion.

2023-69

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 March 14th, 2023 in the amount of \$528,420.86.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

16. Other Business

Mayor Rochefort made a report to Council regarding École St Thomas D'Aquin. She advised that the school is at capacity. Mayor Rochefort will be attending a meeting with the CSCFN on March 22nd, 2023. Mayor Rochefort will report to Council at the next Council meeting.

17. In Camera

Council proceeded to in-Camera session under Section 239(2)(b) and (c) pertaining to municipal property on Eglinton Road and the Quarry.

2023-70

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera session at 7:24 p.m., under Section 239(2)(b) and (c) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

2023-71

Moved by Councillor Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Champagne

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera meeting at 8:25 p.m. and return to our regular session of Council.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

18. Confirmatory By-Law

- a. By-law No. 2023-13 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

2023-72

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 February 28th, 2023 to March 14th, 2023, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2023-13;

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

2023-73

Moved by Councillor Champagne

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

THAT we do now adjourn at 8:26 p.m. and meet again March 28th, 2023.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins