



## THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 8, 2020

PRESENT:        Pauline Rochefort, Mayor                                Erika Lougheed, Councillor  
                     Mike Voyer, Deputy Mayor                                Steven Trahan, Councillor  
                     Terry Kelly, Councillor

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

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Rochefort called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance, as well as the public watching the meeting from livestream.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**2020-302**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 8th day of December, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

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

- a. Special Council Minutes of November 24th and Regular Minutes of November 24th, 2020

**2020-303**

**Moved by** Councillor Lougheed

**Seconded by** Councillor Trahan

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held November 24th, 2020 and the Regular Minutes of Council meeting held November 24th, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None for this session

**5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

None for this session

**6. Chair's Comments:**

Mayor Rochefort advised that Council just marked their 2nd year anniversary. Council Inaugural Meeting was held on December 11th, 2018. To celebrate, Mayor Rochefort presented a slide presentation of photos of the Inaugural Meeting.

**7. Delegations to Council:**

None for this session

**8. Committee Reports:**

a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

Next meeting scheduled for December 17th, 2020

b. Community Emergency Management Committee

Literature from the agenda from the Ministry of Health will be posted on our Social Media for information purposes to our residents.

1. Ministry of Health, Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Public Health

2. Ministry of Health

c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee

None for this session

d. Planning Advisory Committee

Next meeting scheduled for December 16th, 2020

e. Committee of Adjustment

Next meeting scheduled for December 16th, 2020

f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee

Councillor Kelly reported on the meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee

1. Minutes of meeting held November 26th, 2020

g. Economic Development Committee

Next meeting scheduled for December 16th, 2020

h. Communications Committee

Next scheduled meeting to be determined

i. East Ferris Centennial Celebration Committee

Councillor Trahan reported on the meeting of the Centennial Committee

1. Minutes of meeting held December 1st, 2020

j. Municipal Office Project/Technical Advisory Committee

Special meeting of Council scheduled for December 15th, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. to present to Council

**9. Board Reports:**

a. Library Board

Councillor Lougheed reported on the meeting of the Library Board

1. Minutes of meeting held November 23rd, 2020

b. Police Services Board

Next meeting scheduled for December 10th, 2020

**10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:**

a. Report No. PLAN-2020-08, Greg Kirton, Manager of Planning and Economic Development

**2020-304**

**Moved by** Councillor Lougheed

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT Council of the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Manager of Planning and Economic Development contained in Report No. Plan-2020-08 and that the Manager of Planning and Economic Development initiate the required planning processes to establish the desired commercial and industrial uses on our municipally owned land;

AND FURTHER that Municipal staff work with Lance and Alexandra Johnson to determine the land needs of Bur Oak Resources leading to an application to purchase municipal lands made by the Johnson's.

**11. Notice of Motions**

None for this session

**12. By-laws:**

None for this session

**13. Correspondence and Information Items:**

a. Ministry of Finance

b. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Council requested to forward to Municipal Engineer/Director of Public Works for feedback

c. County of Frontenac

d. Region of Peel

Council referred for support

e. AMO Communications

f. ROMA Communications

g. ROMA

h. North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority

i. Copies of letters sent to Ontario Information Centre, Algonquin Land Claim

Council supported the letters received. It was advised that due to COVID-19 and restrictions on public gatherings that the municipality would try to organize to encourage dialogue between the residents and the MNRF through a virtual meeting.

1. Jill Labreche

2. Linda Thomas

3. Trout Lake Conservation Association

**14. Action Items:**

a. Approval of Correspondence and information circulated with the agenda

**2020-305**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

**Seconded by** Councillor Trahan

THAT Council acknowledge the correspondence and information as circulated with the agenda and dated the 8th day of December, 2020.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- b. Resolution: 2019 Council Statement of Remuneration

**2020-306**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS Section 284 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O., c.25, as amended, requires that the Treasurer of a Municipality shall in each year on or before March 31<sup>st</sup> provide to the Council of the municipality an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the 2019 Statement of Remuneration and Expenses itemized for each Member of Council and Member of Local Boards and Committees, as submitted.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**15. Approval of Accounts Payable**

**2020-307**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated December 8th, 2020 in the amount of \$383,741.94.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**16. Other Business**

None for this session

**17. In Camera - requested by Councillor Kelly under section 239(2) (b) and (c) and request from CAO under section 239(2) (a)**

**2020-308**

**Moved by** Councillor Lougheed

**Seconded by** Councillor Trahan

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera session at 6:45 p.m., under Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 in order to address a matter pertaining to:

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

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**2020-309**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera meeting at 7:51 p.m. and return to our regular session of Council.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

## **18. Confirmatory By-Law**

- a. By-law No. 2020-47 - 1st, 2nd & 3rd Reading

**2020-310**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

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 November 24th, 2020 to December 8th, 2020, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2020-47;

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**

**2020-311**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:52 p.m. and meet again on January 12th, 2021.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

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Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

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Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins