



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

**July 14, 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 at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**2020-167**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT the draft agenda presented to Council and dated the 14th day of July, 2020 be adapted as circulated.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

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

a. Minutes of Regular Council meeting June 23rd, 2020 and Special Council Meeting July 2nd, 2020

**2020-168**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Voyer

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held June 23rd, 2020 and the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held July 2nd, 2020 be approved 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 welcomed everyone in attendance at the meeting. Mayor advised that staff are preparing a report regarding the Strategic Plan Survey which will bring forward written comments, feedback and an overall summary. Mayor thanked all who participated in the survey.

**7. Delegations to Council:**

- a. Mr. Glenn Brophy and Mr. Michael Pettigrew

Dr. Brophy and Mr. Pettigrew made a power point presentation to Council regarding One Mile Road Association in requesting "equal services for equal taxation". Council advised that East Ferris owns four roads in the Municipality that are not maintained. The roads are: Ashwood Road, One Mile Road, Gauthier Road and Birch Hill Road. After Council discussion, it was referred to the Public Works Committee and Municipal Engineer for report and comments.

**8. Committee Reports:**

- a. Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
- b. Community Emergency Management Committee
- c. Fire and Emergency Services Committee
- d. Planning Advisory Committee
- e. Committee of Adjustment
- f. Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee
  - 1. Minutes of meeting held June 30th, 2020
  - 2. Amended minutes of Special Meeting March 3rd, 2020
- g. Economic Development Committee
- h. Communications Committee

1. Minutes of June 22nd, 2020, next meeting July 13th, 2020 at 11:30 a.m.
- i. East Ferris Centennial Celebration Committee
- j. Municipal Office Project/Technical Advisory Committee

**9. Board Reports:**

- a. Library Board
- b. Police Services Board
  1. July 9th, 2020 - Meeting to continue with the Community Safety Well Being Plan

**10. Departmental Reports & Resolutions:**

- a. Report No. PLAN-2020-03, Greg Kirton, Manager of Planning and Economic Development

**2020-169**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council of the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Manager of Planning and Economic Development contained in Report No. PLAN 2020-03 and approve staff to prepare a By-law to authorize the delegation of decision making authority on consent to sever applications to the Committee of Adjustment.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- b. Report No. PLAN-2020-04, Greg Kirton, Manager of Planning and Development

**2020-170**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Councillor Kelly

THAT Council of the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation from the Manager of Planning and Economic Development contained in Report No. PLAN 2020-04 and adopt the proposed Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation Protection Policy.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**11. Notice of Motions**

**12. By-laws:**

- a. By-law No. 2020-23, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

**2020-171**

**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 close and convey a part of the road allowance, adjacent to 213 Mirimishi Road, described as Part of the road allowance between Lots 24 and 25, Concession 17, Township of East Ferris, District of Nipissing, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2020-23;

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:**

At the start of item No. 13 of the agenda, Correspondence and Information, Deputy Mayor Voyer excused himself from the meeting. Deputy Mayor Voyer left the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

a. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

b. City of Sarnia

Council will be preparing resolution for the next Council meeting

c. Municipality of Grey Highlands

Referred for Support at the next Council Meeting

d. Renfrew County

Referred for support at the next Council Meeting

e. Town of Kingsville

f. AMO Communications

g. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit

Council acknowledge the letter regarding face coverings

h. Ombudsman Ontario

**14. Action Items:**

a. Approval of Correspondence and Information

**2020-172**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council acknowledge the correspondence and information as circulated with the agenda and dated the 14th, day of July, 2020.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- b. Resolution of Support:

**2020-173**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS Council has received a request for support of a resolution enacted by the Municipality of McDougall regarding the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's (AMO) Discussion Paper "New Ontario Provincial Police Detachment Boards: Building a Framework for Better Policing Governance dated May 1, 2020, which proposes that Northern Ontario District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB) replace the current OPP Detachment Boards;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the resolution enacted by the Municipality of McDougall and hereby agrees with the opinion of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), that the current DSSAB's would not be the best solution for overseeing the Northern OPP Detachments;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to FONOM, AMO, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General, and Vic Fedeli, MPP for Nipissing.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- c. Resolution of Support:

**2020-174**

**Moved by** Councillor Lougheed

**Seconded by** Councillor Trahan

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports resolution No. CW93-20 from Grey County regarding the time for broadband infrastructure improvement is now for unserved areas as well as under-served areas that receive inadequate or disproportionately low levels of service.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

- d. Municipality of East Ferris- Community Profile

**2020-175**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**Seconded by** Councillor Trahan

THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the Community Profile as prepared by Karen Jones Consulting.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**15. Approval of Accounts Payable**

**2020-176**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT Council approve the general accounts for the Municipality of East Ferris as indicated in the cheque register(s) dated July 14th, 2020 in the amount of \$1,138,355.43.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

**16. Other Business**

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

**18. Confirmatory By-Law**

- a. By-law No. 2020-24, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

**2020-177**

**Moved by** Councillor Kelly

**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 June 23rd, 2020 to July 14th, 2020, BE READ a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2020-24;

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**

**2020-178**

**Moved by** Councillor Trahan

**Seconded by** Councillor Lougheed

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:26 p.m. and meet again on August 11th, 2020.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

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Mayor

Pauline Rochefort

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Clerk

Monica L. Hawkins