THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024

MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of Council was held in person on Wednesday June 5, 2024, following the Committee of the Whole in the Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance:

Mayor Sandie Macdonald

Deputy Mayor Michael Smith Councillor Pieter Kiezebrink Councillor Henry Sander Councillor Liana Maltby

Staff in attendance:

M. Mikael. Chief Administrative Officer

C. Rankin, Manager of Parks and Recreation

S. Haniff, Manager of Planning J. Kolb, Manager of Public Work

S. Corbett, Deputy Clerk

L. Lehr, Manager of Legislative Services

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Macdonald opened the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MOTIONS

Resolution No: CR104-2024 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Maltby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motions duly passed and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting of this date be approved; and

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, Regular Council and Closed Session meetings held on the 15th day of May, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

----Carried----

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No: CR105-2024 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the items listed in the Consent Agenda dated June 5, 2024, be received for information.

----Carried-----

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Minutes of the Essa Public Library Board Meeting

Resolution No: CR106-2024 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Essa Public Library Board from their meeting held on April 22, 2024, be received.

----Carried-----

6. PETITIONS

7. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

a. Proclamation – World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15, 2024

Resolution No: CR107-2024 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Maltby

WHEREAS the Township of Essa's older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity and valued as contributing members of society, imparting a wealth of experience and wisdom in our communities; and

WHEREAS the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed this day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and

WHEREAS the Township of Essa recognizes the importance of taking action to invest in creating social change, to prioritize the prevention of elder abuse and raise awareness to foster a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older adults and their rights; and

WHEREAS elder abuse has a significant impact on the lives of older adults and families and is not limited to race, gender, culture, or circumstance, regardless of whether the abuse is physical, emotional, sexual, financial or neglect; and

WHEREAS ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in Ontario; and WHEREAS it is recognized that it is up to all of us, as citizens, organizations, communities, and governments, to work collectively to prevent violence and abuse of older adults in their homes and communities; and

WHEREAS preventing abuse of older adults through improving and maintaining social and health services and systems such as housing, income security, and safety will improve their quality of life and allow them to live independently and contribute to the vibrancy of Ontario; and

WHEREAS there can be no abuse where there is respect for human rights, equality, and justice, and all Essa residents are urged to join this global movement to promote the Rights of Older Adults and Stop Abuse and Restore Respect;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Essa hereby proclaims June 15, 2024, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, and encourages all residents to recognize and celebrate seniors and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of our province.

----Carried-----

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. BY-LAWS

a. By-law 2024-32 – A By-law to amend Fees and Charges By-law 2023-01.

Resolution No: CR108-2024 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Sander

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-32 be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

----Carried-----

10. QUESTIONS

11. CLOSED SESSION

Council did not proceed into Closed Session for deliberations.

a. PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL [s.239(2)(b)] LABOUR RELATIONS OR EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS [s.239(2)(d)] Confidential Staff Report CAO019-24 submitted by the Chief Administrative Officer, re: Staff Matters.

Resolution No: CR109-2024 Moved by: Kiezebrink Seconded by: Maltby

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report CAO0019-24 be received; and **THAT** Council direct Staff in accordance with Options 2 and 3 as contained within the Confidential Report.

----Carried-----

12. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

a. By-law 2024-33

Resolution No: CR110-2024 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Sander

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-law 2024-33, that being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole, Closed and Council meetings held on this 5th of June, 2024; and, that said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

----Carried-----

Carried---

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: CR111-2024 Moved by: Smith Seconded by: Sander

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of Council of the Township of Essa adjourn at 6:24 p.m. to meet again on the 19th day of June, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Sandie Macdonald, Mayor

Lisa Lehr, Manager of Legislative Services