



Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 07:00 PM, in the Council Chambers

ROLL CALL

Present Were: Mayor M. Coombs
Deputy Mayor S. Arthur
Councillor D. Clark
Councillor T. Gilligan
Councillor E. Van Egmond

Also Present: CAO/Deputy Clerk, C. Brooks
Treasurer, N. Leach-Bihun
Operations Manager, J. Hoskin
Fire Chief, B. Northrup

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Coombs called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Resolution #18-92

Moved by Councillor Van Egmond Seconded by Councillor Gilligan

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

"CARRIED"

DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

ADOPTION OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE MEETING

Resolution #18-93

Moved by Councillor Van Egmond Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the following items from the proceedings of the Committee of Council meeting held on February 20, 2018 be received:

TREA-09-18, SPMIF 2018 Timeline Extension Agreement

TREA-10-18, 2018 Budget Deliberations

"CARRIED"

OUTSIDE RESOLUTIONS - REQUEST FOR ENDORSEMENT

Call to Action - Fire Medic Protection Needed for Municipal Governments

Resolution #18-94

Moved by Councillor Gilligan Seconded by Councillor Van Egmond

WHEREAS Bill 160, the *Strengthening Quality and Accountability for Patients Act* amended the *Ambulance Act* to permit the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care to enable two pilot projects hosted by willing municipal governments to allow fire fighters, certified as paramedics, to treat patients while on duty with a fire department; and

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario is committed to proceeding with the pilots and enabling the fire-medical model despite the absence of objective evidence to show that it would improve patient outcomes or response time; and

WHEREAS the current interest arbitration model, particularly in the fire services sector, allows arbitrators to impose awards on unwilling employers that directly impact the employer's ability to determine how it will deploy its workforce, as evidenced by the experience of many municipalities in regards to the 24-hour shift; and

WHEREAS in the absence of legislative protection, unwilling municipalities may be forced to enter into a pilot or adopt a fire-medical model as a result of interest arbitration; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and its municipal members have called on the Government of Ontario to introduce legislative amendments to the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997*, and the *Ambulance Services Collective Bargaining Act* to preclude arbitrators from expanding the scope of work for fire fighters and paramedics respectively through interest arbitration awards; and

WHEREAS there is precedent for a restriction on the scope of jurisdiction of arbitrators from amending the core duties of police officers; and

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has committed that no unwilling municipal government will have a fire-medical pilot or program imposed upon them.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that:

1. The Township of Cramahe calls on the Government of Ontario to act immediately so that legislative amendments, that will protect unwilling municipalities from

being forced by arbitrators to have a fire medic pilot or program, are placed within the upcoming Budget Bill before the Ontario Legislature rises for the provincial election.

2. A copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Kathleen Wynne, Office of the Premier; Hon. Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long Term Care; Hon. Marie-France Lalonde, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services; Hon. Kevin Flynn, Minister of Labor; Hon. Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs; [local members of provincial parliament]; and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

"CARRIED"

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Cornerstone Family Violence Prevention Centre - New Donor Recognition Wall

Moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the correspondence from the Cornerstone Family Violence Prevention Centre, be received.

"CARRIED"

BY-LAWS

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

2018-15, Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution #18-96

Moved by Deputy Mayor Arthur Seconded by Councillor Gilligan

THAT By-law 2018-15 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of February, 2018.

"CARRIED"

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Resolution #18-97

Moved by Councillor Van Egmond Seconded by Councillor Gilligan

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

"CARRIED"

MAYOR, Marc Coombs

CLERK, Julie Oram