THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, November 15th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Paul Moffatt

Councillor Les Fields Councillor Hugh Moggy

Excused: Councillor Robert Case

Councillor Brenda Reid

Staff: Alton Hobbs, CAO

Jeremy Rody, Clerk

Jackie White, Project & Events Coordinator

Press: Alicia McCutcheon, Expositor

Others: Laura Voltti, MPAC

OPENING:

#327-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack be opened for business with a quorum of members present at 5:00 p.m., with Mayor Moffatt presiding in the Chair. CARRIED

AGENDA:

#328-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT the agenda for this meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councillor Moggy commented that the benches, picnic tables, and trash receptacles at the Seniors' Park are really looking good.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

#329-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of November 1, 2016, be accepted. CARRIED

#330-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT the minutes of the Manitoulin East Municipal Airport Commission meeting of November 7, 2016, be accepted. CARRIED

#331-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT the minutes of the Sudbury & District Board of Health meeting of October 20, 2016, be received. CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

Note: Laura Voltti is an employee of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), she is an Account Manager for the districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin. She presented Council with information on MPAC's 4 year assessment cycles and how they have changed since 2008. She also presented and explained some assessment information and trends specific to Assiginack that we will see over the next 4 year cycle beginning in 2017. A copy of the presentation will be posted on the Township website.

#332-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT we thank Laura Voltti of MPAC for attending this meeting to speak with Council and our ratepayers. CARRIED

REPORTS:

There were no reports.

ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS:

#333-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT Council authorizes the following Accounts for Payment:

General: \$153,855.97

AND THAT the Mayor and administration be authorized to complete cheques #26048 through #26083 as described in the attached cheque register reports. CARRIED

#334-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT Council authorizes the following Accounts for Payment:

Payroll: \$18,017.86

AND THAT the Mayor and administration be authorized to complete cheques #26044 through #26047 as described in the attached cheque register report. CARRIED

#335-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT the year to date financial statements as at October 31, 2016, be received by Council. CARRIED

#336-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT the Municipal Drain Inspection Reports for the Hilly Grove Drain and the Bidwell Drain as prepared by the Township's Drainage Superintendent, Gary MacKay, be accepted by Council. CARRIED

#337-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack supports the resolution from the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara, & Maria requesting that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs amend the Planning Act and Provincial Policy Statement to allow normal and usual use of private lands in rural Ontario, specifically including continued severance and development of lands on private roads. CARRIED

#338-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT the Township of Assiginack confirms with Infrastructure Ontario that there have been no changes to the subject property at 53 Napier Street in Manitowaning since our 2012 correspondence;

AND THAT Assiginack Council expresses an interest in acquiring the subject property and the neighbouring property from Infrastructure Ontario prior to the public posting. CARRIED

#339-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT Council approves the Township's registration for the 2017 Manitoulin Trade Fair. CARRIED

#340-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT the 2016 Manitowaning Lagoon Inspection Report prepared by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, be accepted.

AND THAT the Township will consult with OCWA regarding a plan of action to address the recommendations put forth by the Ministry in the report. CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS:

#341-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT we acknowledge receipt of the following correspondence items:

- a) Municipality of Neebing Resolution
- b) OPP Policing Costs re: Collective Agreement Arbitration Decision
- c) Vigor Clean Tech Energy Production Report
- d) Ministry of Housing: Bill 7 Promoting Affordable Housing Act
- e) Sudbury & District Health Unit: 2015 Snapshot of Public Health

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

#342-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT By-law #16-16, being a by-law to provide for the licensing of pawnbrokers within the Township of Assiginack, be given its first, second, and third readings and enacted in open Council. CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

#343-23-16 L. Fields – H. Moggy

THAT in accordance with By-law #15-30 and Section 239 of the Municipal Act, as amended, Council proceeds to a "Closed Session" at 5:56 p.m. in order to attend to a matter pertaining to:

f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege including communications necessary for that purpose. CARRIED

#344-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT we adjourn from our Closed Session at 6:03 p.m., approve the minutes of the Closed Session of November 1, 2016 and resume our regular meeting. CARRIED

CLOSING:

#345-23-16 H. Moggy – L. Fields

THAT we adjourn until the next regular meeting or call of the Chair. CARRIED

Paul Moffatt, MAYOR	Jeremy Rody, CLERK

6:05 p.m.

These Minutes have been circulated but are not considered Official until approved by Council.