

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

February 8, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Present:

Absent:

Reeve: Rodney Wood

Councillors: Pat Garside

Dianne Holt

Dave Leask

Robert Jerrard

Road Superintendent: Lyn Garside

Clerk Treasurer: Valerie Obarymskyj

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Moved by Pat Garside

2017-12

Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do accept the Agenda as presented. * Carried *

Moved by Robert Jerrard

2017-13

Seconded by Dianne Holt

Resolved that we do approve the Minutes of the meeting of February 8, 2017, as presented. *Carried*

Reeve Wood welcomed Jim Waycik who was present to address two issues with Council. The first involved plans by the St. Joseph Island Historical Society to continue with its signage project marking various sites throughout the Island and explaining their historical significance. To date, the Historical Society has erected thirty signs representing some of the eighty-five sites identified as potential sign locations. As President of the Society, Mr. Waycik asked if Council continued to be supportive of this project as there may be a need to request financial assistance to complete this work. The Historical Society has other ongoing projects including improvements to the War Memorial in Hilton Beach; creating a photo library and documentation of the names and locations of graves in the Island cemeteries; markings for war veterans' grave sites and digitizing all historical data. Council noted it continues to be supportive of the signage project.

Mr. Waycik also addressed the PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) Workshop he had recently attended along with the Clerk. Municipalities were advised in 2016 that they would need to have a PTSD Prevention Plan in place by April 23, 2017. There is an increased possibility of experiencing this mental health condition given the types of events our first responders witness. The municipality's role is to educate its supervisors to help them identify the signs of PTSD in their workers and to ensure all individuals are aware of avenues available to them should they experience the effects of PTSD. Mr. Waycik, along with the Clerk, will draft a Prevention Plan for Council to review prior to the upcoming deadline. Reeve Wood thanked Mr. Waycik for his continued assistance in his role as CEMC (Community Emergency Management Coordinator) for the Township.

Moved by Pat Garside

2017-14

Seconded by Robert Jerrard

Resolved that we do tender for the following items through the amalgamated tender:

2.2 km of Double Surface Treatment (1.9 km – Hilton Road; 0.3 km Base Line) *Carried*

Moved by Dave Leask

2017-15

Seconded by Dianne Holt

Resolved that we do tender for the following items through the amalgamated tender:

Calcium Chloride or Magnesium Chloride – 17 Flake Tonne Equivalent

10 Grader Blades Heat Treated (7' x 3/4 x 5/8)

2 High Wear Wing Blades

10 300 mm Plastic Smooth Bore Culverts - 6 metre length

5 300 mm Couplers

6 Pieces Carbide Blades (44" x 6" One Way Carbide)

50 5/8" Carriage Bolts – 3 1/2" with nuts

20 5/8" Carriage Bolts – 6" with nuts *Carried*

The Clerk provided a Summary of Road Contracted Services for the 2016 year. The Village of Hilton Beach was billed a total of \$9,125 for the plowing and sanding of all its roads, including the dump. Plowing of two limited service roads for 2016 were billed as follows: Ellwood Boulevard - \$1,625 and Red Maple Drive - \$1,500.

As the result of invited quotes for improvements to the firehall including replacement of the siding/soffit/fascia and two new windows, the following resolution was passed.

Moved by Pat Garside 2017-16

Seconded by Dianne Holt

Resolved that we do accept the January 20, 2017 quote submitted by Hunter Home Solutions in the amount of \$8,260.00 plus tax for specified firehall improvements. *Carried*

Correspondence was received from Tulloch Engineering advising it would advise the Township by February 15, 2017, as to whether it would be continuing to provide building inspection services to the municipality given the upcoming retirement of Ron LeBlanc.

The Clerk provided a copy of the Consumer Price Index release for December 2016 confirming a 1.5% increase from December 2015. The following resolution was passed to upgrade the wage grid by 1.5% for 2017.

Moved by Dianne Holt 2017-17

Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do give first, second and third and final reading and pass By-Law No. 1180-17 being a by-law respecting remuneration and expenses for members of council and municipal employees of the Corporation of the Township of Hilton. *Carried*

The Clerk provided a summary of the honorarium and mileage expenses paid to Council for 2016. A total of \$11,975 was paid in honorarium and \$436 in mileage expenses.

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2017-18

Seconded by Dave Leask

Whereas Section 284 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, provides that the Treasurer of a municipality shall in each year provide to the Council of the municipality an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year to council members and local board members and whereby such remuneration is authorized under By-Law No. #1152-16, Council hereby agrees to accept the attached statement as verification of such remuneration paid. *Carried*

Council reviewed invoices received from the Village of Hilton Beach detailing the Township's share of both landfill and recycling costs for 2016. Calculated on a household basis, the Township pays approximately 68% of wages/repairs and maintenance at the dump. The Township's share for 2016 was \$17,020. The recycling is also calculated on a per household basis with the Township being entitled to the same percentage of the annual recycling rebates. The Township's final cost for recycling in 2016 was \$7,045.

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2017-19

Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do contribute \$100 to the Village of Hilton Beach's 2017 Family Fun Day celebrations. *Carried*

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2017-20

Seconded by Pat Garside

Resolved that we do contribute \$500 to help offset the costs associated with the Ernie Eddy Memorial Children's Ice Fishing Derby held annually at Twin Lakes in Hilton Township. *Carried*

The Clerk advised that the annual insurance policy would need to be renewed in March and it was suggested the Township consider additional insurance this year for volunteers given the possibility of volunteers helping out with the construction of the new firehall on W Line. It was confirmed by our insurance provider that coverage for PTSD has already been included in our basic policy.

Moved by Pat Garside 2017-21

Seconded by Robert Jerrard

Resolved that we do support the resolution passed by the Township of Zorra that whereas there is inequity between the cost of hydro for rural residents as compared to urban residents due to higher distribution charges; and whereas this practice targets and negatively affects rural residents, especially those who are already unable to pay for high costs of hydro;

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Hilton requests the Province of Ontario re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access to delivery and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery to rural residents;

And that this resolution be circulated to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA), Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO). *Carried*

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2017-22

Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do authorize the payment of Township bills for the month of January 2017 in the amount of \$55,116.05 as per Voucher 01-2017: Administration - \$14,028.26; Assessment (Qtrly) - \$4,461.63; Building –

\$452.00; Dump (2016) - \$17,019.83; Fire - \$3,581.05; Miscellaneous (Employee/ Employer Payroll Deductions/ Benefits) - \$3,941.29; Recycling (2016) - \$7,044.87; Roads – \$4,587.12. *Carried*

Moved by Pat Garside 2017-23
Seconded by Dave Leask
Resolved that we do pass By-Law No 1181-17 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.*Carried

Moved by Dave Leask 2017-24
Seconded by Robert Jerrard
Resolved that we do adjourn at 9:37 p.m., Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve. *Carried*

Reeve, Rodney Wood

Valerie Obarymskyj, Clerk Treasurer



***** Building Inspection *****
Ron LeBlanc – Building Inspector - Call 1-800-797-2997
Email: ron.leblanc@tulloch.ca

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER TO OBTAIN A BUILDING PERMIT
IT IS ILLEGAL TO START WORK WITHOUT A PERMIT**



WINTER Hours in Effect from Sept 15/16 – May 15/17:
Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sunday: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

F I R E - 911 for Emergencies
Plan Your Escape!

Develop a home fire escape plan.

Know what to do when the smoke alarm sounds. Sit down with everyone in your household and discuss how each person will get out of the home in the case of a fire.

Practice your escape plan with everyone in your home.

Make sure everyone can get out quickly.

Make sure everyone knows two ways out of each room, if possible.

If the door of a room is blocked by smoke or fire, discuss an alternate escape route such as a window. Make sure all windows open easily. Security bars on windows should have quick-releasing devices so they can be easily removed.

Help those who need it!

Determine who will be responsible for helping young children, older adults, people with disabilities or anyone else who may need assistance.

Get low and go under the smoke to the nearest safe exit.

Most fire deaths are the result of smoke inhalation.

Choose a meeting place outside, a safe distance from your home.

A tree, street light or a neighbour’s home are all good choices. In case of fire, everyone should go directly to this meeting place to be accounted for.

Get out, stay out.

Never re-enter a burning building. Once you have safely escaped, call the fire department from outside your home using a cell phone or from a neighbour’s home.



A reminder that this year's INTERIM instalment of property taxes is due February 28, 2017.

For those residents wishing to pay their taxes electronically, we have agreements with the following banking institutions: ASCU, Bank of Montreal, CIBC, MCAP, Northern Credit Union, Royal Bank, Scotiabank and TD Canada Trust. Your customer identification number will be your "Roll Number" that appears on your tax bill. Please ensure when choosing the "Payee Name" that you select:

HILTON (TOWNSHIP) - TAXES

and not

HILTON BEACH (VILLAGE) - TAXES

Thank you!



The Ernie Eddy Memorial Children's Ice Fishing Derby will be held on March 4, 2017 at Twin Lakes in Hilton Township. The event is organized by the St. Joseph Island Hunters and Anglers and is free to children up to Grade 8. Due to the generosity of many sponsors, children receive prizes and trophies for the largest fish in several categories. There will be free hot chocolate, hot dogs and cookies and all the supplies needed to fish. Everyone is encouraged to bring a travel mug to keep their hot chocolate warm and avoid garbage being left behind

Hilton Beach Family Fun Day(s!)

LIST OF EVENTS

Festivities begin with the Snowman building contest that will run all weekend. Judging will take place after the skating races and winners will be awarded a prize. Please register your snowman at the Village office before 4:30 pm on February 17, 2017.

Saturday, February 18, 2017 1-3 p.m.

Kids Paint Day- Hilton Beach Community Hall
\$10.00/ child pre-register at the Hilton Beach Municipal Office. Limited seating available.

Sunday, February 19, 2017 1-3 p.m.

"Sledding down South St."

Helmets required and children must be accompanied by an adult. South St. will be closed to vehicular traffic during this event. Rides provided back up the hill.

Monday, February 20, 2017 Noon-3 p.m.

Hilton Beach All Season Sports Surface
Skating Races /Prizes/ Food
Snow machine rides provided by the St. Joseph Island Snowmobile Club
Helmets are required while on ice pad
For more information call 705-246-2242

Please ensure your laneway is cleared wide enough so that any form of emergency vehicle can enter should the need arise!



Please ensure you do not shovel snow on to the road when clearing your driveway. Not only is it against the law but it also can result in a dangerous situation for motorists. Your co-operation is appreciated!