

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

**MINUTES**  
Regular Meeting  
September 6, 2018  
7:00 p.m.

Present:

Absent:

Reeve: Rodney Wood  
Councillors: Pat Garside  
Dianne Holt  
Dave Leask  
Road Superintendent: Lyn Garside  
Clerk: Valerie Obarymskyj  
Deputy Clerk: Sherry Hoover

Robert Jerrard

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Moved by Dianne Holt 2018-92

Seconded by Dave Leask

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

Moved by Pat Garside 2018-93

Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of August 8, 2018 as presented. \*Carried\*

Lyn Garside, Road Superintendent, provided an update on road issues. The recent wet weather has resulted in more delays to surface treatment with crews now expected to be in our municipality toward the end of next week. The Road Superintendent and Council reviewed a request from the Village of Hilton Beach for road assistance with various projects. Some of the work was deemed to not be feasible given the extreme grade of certain roads and position of manhole covers. Proposed plans to ditch South Street and Birch Street would require first contacting Bell Canada to get locates on the buried lines. The Road Super will discuss both timelines and estimated project costs with the Village prior to making any commitment regarding completion of the work.

An update was provided to Council regarding a meeting in Jocelyn with the OPP and area council representatives regarding the skid marks left on roads throughout the Island. The message from the OPP was that residents should not hesitate to call them using the **1 – 888 – 310 – 1122** number if they witness new areas of mischief. Contrary to previous understanding, ‘calls for service’ are one of the lowest parts of our overall municipal policing costs and an increase in calls should not have a significant impact on our annual billing.

Council reviewed correspondence from Algoma Public Health requesting our assistance in putting up and taking down signs at our beaches when water samples indicate higher levels of bacteria. Council recognized the logistics issue of APH employees travelling from Sault Ste. Marie to perform these tasks but also noted transferring the responsibility/liability to our Road Superintendent is not fair. These are provincially mandated responsibilities that should be performed by APH. The lakes are monitored weekly by APH and permanent signs are posted at all sites cautioning swimmers about the possibility of high levels of bacteria for up to 48 hours following periods of heavy rainfall, high winds or increased numbers of waterfowl.

The Clerk advised that area municipalities had not yet addressed the possibility of participating in the proposed Vulnerable Persons Registry funded through the DSSAB. Council determined it will wait to see what other municipalities decide, thinking an Island-wide initiative would be the best approach.

The Clerk confirmed with Council that if the purchaser of adjacent lots in a subdivision opted to merge two or three abutting lots, the legal costs of doing so would not be the responsibility of the municipality.

The Clerk reviewed a request from a waterfront property owner to build what he considered a temporary structure near the water. Council noted that the proposed structure must be built 100’ from the established high water mark and a building permit would be required.

The owners of Part of Lot 12, Concession X and Y advised they had installed their entrance at the end of Old Moffat Bay as previously authorized. In order to build a cottage in the most accessible part of the property, the zoning must be changed from “Open Space” to “Shoreline Residential” as is the remainder of the lot. The matter of whether a rezoning is required or repealing the original by-law remains an option will be investigated by the Clerk with the St. Joseph Island Planning Board.

Council reviewed the detailed quote from Tom Desjardin Construction Ltd. regarding the concrete work necessary to rebuild the base of the Cenotaph and walkways. It is hoped the work will be able to be completed prior to Remembrance Day 2018.

Council was advised of some concerns raised recently regarding the level of services at the local hospital possibly being reduced.

The Clerk advised she had spoken with the Treasurer of the Grace United Church Cemetery Board and a coordinated date will be agreed upon for transfer from the Church to the Township. Council asked the Clerk to arrange a date when current members of the Board could visit the site with Council members and address any issues of concern.

Moved by Pat Garside 2018-94  
Seconded by Dianne Holt  
Resolved that we do pass By-Law No. 1222-18 being a by-law to create a Compliance Audit Joint Committee for Central Algoma Area Municipalities. \*Carried\*

Moved by David Leask 2018-95  
Seconded by Dianne Holt  
Resolved that we do authorize the payment of Township bills for the month of August 2018 in the amount of \$69,060.92 as per Voucher 08-2018: Administration - \$10,166.65; Algoma Dist Services Admin Board (July) - \$23,491.17; Building - \$1,461.09; Education (French Bd) - \$780.30; Fire - \$350.00; Furnace - \$6,383.37; Misc (Employee/ Employer Payroll Deductions/Benefits) - \$3,726.17; Policing - \$7,187.00; Roads - \$15,515.17.  
\*Carried\*

Moved by Pat Garside 2018-96  
Seconded by Dave Leask  
Resolved that we do pass By-Law No 1223-18 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.  
\*Carried\*

Moved by Pat Garside 2018-97  
Seconded by Dave Leask  
Resolved that we do adjourn at 10:22 p.m. Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 for the next regular meeting of Council. \*Carried\*

Reeve, Rodney Wood

Valerie Obarymskyj, Clerk

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**\*\*\* Building Inspection \*\*\***  
Kevin Morris – Building Inspector - Call 1-800-797-2997  
Email: Kevin.Morris@tulloch.ca

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

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**M and N Road - Landfill/Recycling**



**WINTER Hours in Effect from Sept 16/18 – May 15/19**  
  
Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Sunday: 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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## F I R E - 911 for Emergencies



It is necessary to obtain a Fire Permit at the Municipal Office for Small Brush Burning and Incinerator Burning during the months from April to October. There is no fee for this permit. Available Monday/Wednesday/Friday or call 705-246-2472 or email: admin@hiltontownship for alternate pickup arrangements.

**A reminder that burning is only permitted two hours before sunset  
and two hours after sunrise.**

*(Exception: campfires for cooking/warmth allowed anytime.)*

## Fire Prevention Week runs from October 7 – 13, 2018

**“LOOK. LISTEN. LEARN.**

**Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere.”**

**This year’s Fire Prevention Week theme focuses on three fundamental actions people can take to be fire-safe:**

1. **LOOK** for potential fire hazards around your home. Take action to prevent fire from starting:
  - Always stay in the kitchen while cooking. If you must leave, turn off the stove.
  - Encourage smokers to smoke outside. Always extinguish cigarettes in large, deep ashtrays that cannot be knocked over.
  - Check electrical cords for damage such as fraying or nicks. A damaged cord can expose wires and result in a potential shock or fire hazard.
2. **LISTEN** for the smoke alarms in an emergency. Make sure everyone knows the sound of the smoke alarms and can hear them in an emergency. Early detection of fire provided by smoke alarms gives you the extra seconds you need to get out safely.
3. **LEARN** two ways out of every room. Practice a home fire escape plan with everyone in your home before a fire starts so you and your family can get out quickly.



The Hilton Union Fire Department invites residents to purchase a Garrison 2.5 lb. fire extinguisher at the Municipal Office at a municipal - subsidized price of **\$20** (cash or cheque only). Residents will be asked to provide their civic address number confirming Village/Township residency.

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### Final 2018 Property Taxes

A reminder that the 2018 Final Property Taxes were mailed the beginning of September and have a due date of September 30, 2018. The following payment options are available to our residents:

1. Mail cheque or money order to Township of Hilton, 2983 Base Line, Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0
2. Pay with cheque/money order or cash (no debit/credit card options) at the Township Office during regular office hours (Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 9 am till 4:30 pm) - or - Drop payments (NO Cash) through front door slot if office closed.
3. Pay online through most banking institutions. Use your property "Roll Number" as your 'identifier'. Please ensure you allow at least three days processing time for online transactions.