

The Roads Department ended its 2020 year of operations with an approximate \$19,300 surplus. The Clerk recommended transferring \$20,000 from the Roads Working Capital to Roads Equipment Reserve Fund to begin rebuilding that account after depleting much of it with the recent plowtruck purchase. The Roads Working Capital will remain at a comfortable level of \$46,800. In consideration of a reduced construction year, it was also suggested an additional \$10,000 be added to our annual \$10,000 contribution to this Fund to result in a total contribution of \$40,000 for 2021.

Given the limited road construction this year, it was recommended that we transfer this year's Federal Gas Tax funding to its corresponding Reserve Fund rather than offset the cost of any road projects. Municipalities are permitted a five-year window for use of this funding.

The Clerk provided information detailing use of the Covid Funding received in 2020 and 2021. Reporting on the amount and purpose of funds spent to date must be submitted to the Province prior to June 30, 2021.

Formal adoption of this year's budget and tax rates is scheduled for the July 2021 meeting of Council.

The Clerk advised Council of a resident's request to build a second dwelling on his property using the zoning amendment process. Council noted that while zoning amendments may be issued to reduce building setbacks or change permitted uses, allowing two dwellings on a single lot would establish a precedent that could cause future problems. Given the location of the property within 3 km of a Townsite, the usual severance requirements could be reduced and a new lot created from a parcel that existed on the date the Official Plan was approved. A second alternative solution, permissible due to the property being located in the Townsite land use designation, would be to rezone the property from RU (Rural) to R2 (Residential 2) which would permit an attached in-law suite or a full size attached additional dwelling unit.

2021-44

Mike Garside

Seconded by Pat Garside

Resolved that we do pass By-Law No. 1297-21 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.

Carried

2021-45

Moved by Dave Leask

Seconded by Mike Garside

Resolved that we do adjourn at 9:14 p.m., Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 7, 2021 for the next regular meeting of Council. *Carried*

(Note: July 7, 2021 meeting subsequently postponed to tentative date of July 21, 2021)

Reeve, Rodney Wood

Clerk, Valerie Obarymskyj