

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

October 4, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Present:

Reeve: Rod Wood

Councilors: Mike Garside (via Microsoft Teams)

Dave Leask

Mike Trainor

Clerk Treasurer: Valerie Obarymskyj

Road Superintendent: Lyndon Garside

Absent: Janet Gordanier

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Resolution 2023-134

Moved: Mike Trainor

Seconded: Dave Leask

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

Resolution 2023-135

Moved: Mike Garside

Seconded: Rod Wood

Resolved that we do approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 30, 2023 as presented. *Carried*

Resolution 2023-136

Moved: Mike Garside

Seconded: Dave Leask

Resolved that we do approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Special Meeting of Sept. 6, 2023 as presented. *Carried*

Reeve Wood welcomed Lavera Crack, Chair of the Matthews Memorial Hospital Association (MMHA). Ms. Crack provided an update on recent positive announcements for the Hospital. An application for a family health team was approved which will provide area residents access to a physiotherapist and nurse practitioner and other additional positions. This will be funded through the Ministry of Health. In addition, our catchment area (from Echo Bay to the other side of Bruce Mines) is now entitled to five doctors given the increase in population. Recruitment of new doctors is an expensive undertaking given the competition from other Ontario municipalities with incentives offered. The costs of recruitment are the responsibility of the municipalities. Ms. Crack acknowledged MMHA's appreciation of the support received from area municipalities and noted there will be a request for additional funding once a budget is completed to address the associated costs of additional physicians.

Resolution 2023-137

Moved: Mike Trainor

Seconded: Mike Garside

Resolved that we do authorize Mary Lynn Duguay to attend the October CEMC courses held in Sault Ste. Marie. *Carried*

Council will schedule a special meeting for November 1, 2023 to determine the direction to be given to the Township's Official Plan Consultants for the drafting of a Short-Term Rental by-law.

The issue of an unsafe building situated on Township shore road allowance was discussed. The shore road allowance fronts on to a Crown property with the structure having been erected in the 1940's. It was confirmed the Road Superintendent will remove the structure.

Resolution 2023-138

Moved: Dave Leask

Seconded: Mike Trainor

Resolved that Council for the Township of Hilton agrees to withdraw its application under the ICIP grant regarding the proposed storage building and pavilion on the Township's W Line property. *Carried*

Resolution 2023-139

Moved by Mike Trainor

Seconded by Mike Garside

Resolved that we do authorize Mary Lynn Duguay to attend the AMCTO Zone Meeting held in Sault Ste. Marie on November 2, 2023. * Carried *

The Clerk was directed to contact three applicants for the Deputy Clerk Treasurer position to confirm their interest and schedule interview dates.

Council discussed the need for the Township to continue the transition of cemetery roles from the Grace United Cemetery volunteers to the Township given its current ownership and operational responsibilities. Councilor Milke Trainor will step into the role of located grave sites in the future.

Resolution 2023-140

Moved: Mike Trainor

Seconded: Dave Leask

Resolved that we do authorize the payment of Township bills for the month of September 2023 in the amount of \$87,362.86 as per Voucher 09-2023; Administration (incl. Audit 2022) - \$33,111.51; Algoma Dist Services Admin - \$25,956.67; Building - \$1,601.21; Cemetery- \$187.87; Emergency Management - \$323.24; Fire - \$1,196.38; Misc (Employee/Employer Payroll Deductions/Benefits) - \$10,051.69; Parks - \$290.67; Policing- \$6,559.48; Roads - \$8,084.14. *Carried*

Resolution 2023-141

Moved: Mike Trainor

Seconded: Dave Leask

Resolved that we do pass By-Law No. 1391-23 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.
Carried

Resolution 2023-142

Moved by Mike Garside

Seconded by Mike Trainor

Resolved that we do adjourn at 10:34 p.m., Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 for the next regular meeting of Council or at the call of the Reeve.
Carried

Rodney Wood, Reeve

Valerie Obarymskyj, Clerk Treasurer