THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

MINUTES

Regular Meeting
January 10, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Present:

Reeve: (acting)
Councillors:

Dave Leask Mike Garside

Janet Gordanier

Mike Trainor

Clerk Treasurer/Administrator: Mary Lynn Duguay

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer: Sara Dinsdale Road Superintendent: Lyndon Garside

Absent:

Rod Wood

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Mike Trainor declared Pecuniary Interest on Item 12 b)

Resolution 2024-01 Moved: Mike Trainor Seconded: Mike Garside

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON accept the agenda for January 10, 2024 as presented/amended. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-02 Moved: Mike Trainor Seconded: Mike Garside

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON do approve the following Minutes as presented/amended.

- a) Regular minutes of Dec. 6, 2023
- b) Closed minutes of Dec. 6, 2023

CARRIED

Resolution 2024-03 Moved: Mike Trainor Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON approve live streaming Council meetings on the preferred platform. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-04 Moved: Janet Gordanier Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON give first, second and third and final reading and pass By-Law No. 1401-24 being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy and for the payment of taxes and for penalty and interest for 2024. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-05 Moved: Mike Garside Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON give first, second and third and final reading and pass By-law No. 1402-24 being a by-law for establishing tax ratios for the township of Hilton for the year 2024. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-06 Moved: Mike Garside Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON approves donating to Crimestoppers in the amount of \$250. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-07 Moved: Mike Garside Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON approves sponsoring the Lions Club Rock'n the Island Dance in the amount of \$500. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-08 Moved: Janet Gordanier Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON authorizes the payment of Township bills for the month of December 2023 in the amount of \$142, 991.36 as per the attached Vouncher. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-09 Moved: Janet Gordanier Seconded: Mike Trainor

WHEREAS current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life

WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year

WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation

WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure

WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises

WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity

WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need

WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities

WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-10 Moved: Mike Garside Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON PASSES By-Law 1403-24 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting January 10, 2024. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-11 Moved: Mike Trainor Seconded: Mike Garside

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON do adjourn at 8:30 pm, Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 for the next regular meeting of Council or at the call of the Reeve. *CARRIED*

Mary Lynn Duguay, Clerk /Treasurer/Administrator.
Eara Dinsdale, Deputy Clerk Treasurer.