



MINUTES - COUNCIL MEETING February 22, 2023

The Council of the Township of Hilliard met on February 22, 2023 at the hour of 7:00 p.m., for a meeting.

Attendance:

Reeve	Laurie Bolesworth (LB)
Councillors	Dan Lane (DL)
	Bruce Murphy (BM) -via phone
	Karen Peckover (KP)
Clerk	Vaughn Finch
Roads Superintendent	Ross Martin
Financial Administrator	Wendy Belanger

1. Call to Order:

Reeve Laurie Bolesworth called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

None

3. Agenda:

2023-20

KP

DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, approve the agenda.

“carried”

4. Minutes:

2023-21

DL

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, adopt the minutes of January 18 2023 as amended.

“carried”

5. Guests:

None

6. Roads Department Business and Report:

6.1 Attached "Road Report"

2023-22

KP

DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, approve the Roads Report.

"carried"

7. Clerks Department Business and Report:

7.1 Attached "Clerk Report"

2023-23

DL

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, accept the Clerks Report.

"carried"

7.2 Vacant Seat on Council

2023-24

KP

DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, declare that there is a seat on Council which is vacant, and invite submissions of interest to fill the vacancy, with a deadline of March 16th 2023.

"carried"

7.3 Potential Severance discussion

Potential severances on two properties were discussed. Each would likely require a zoning change and some variance to allow for residential development and/or lot size/frontage. Council was in favour of both severances in principle and no objections were noted. Clerk will advise rate payers and they may submit applications if they wish.

7.4 Addition to Office discussion

Options for the addition were discussed, as the RFQ responses were slightly higher than anticipated. Clerk is to ask for some rough options for a smaller addition, from the designer, and provide to Council for direction. Then drawings can be completed and the project tendered again.

8. Financials and Accounts:

8.1 Financial Reports and Payment of Accounts

2023-25

DL

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, receive the Financial Report and approve payment of accounts in the amount of \$55,158.97 for January 2023.

"carried"

8.2 Draft 2023 Budget discussion

General discussion on the draft budget. Overall budget approved in principle. Money not yet allocated for pickup truck, creek cleanout, and hall addition was discussed. More discussion on the budget to be held at next meeting.

8.3 Drain Maintenance By-Laws

2023-26

KP
DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, approve Drain Maintenance By-Law 2023-06.

“carried”

2023-27

DL
KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, approve Drain Maintenance By-Law 2023-07.

“carried”

9. Correspondence:

2023-28

DN
KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, receive and file all correspondence.

“carried”

9.1 Letters

None

9.2 Resolutions

None

9.3 General and Information

None

9.4 Grants

9.4.1 Asset Management Plan -FCM \$50,000

9.4.2 AMP IT UP Program -30 hours of free consulting for asset management planning

9.4.3 NOHFC Program re: Roads Intern -Clerk to apply when ready

9.4.4 Community Services Recovery Fund re: Economic Development planning -program is currently closed. Clerk to monitor and apply for funding if/when program opens again.

10. New Business:

Council and staff from Hilliard and Brethour Townships are invited to attend the opening of the new Visitors Centre and HMREC on June 3rd.

11. Reports and/or Minutes from Meetings:

2023-29

DL
KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, receive and file all reports and minutes.

“carried”

11.1 Recreation Committee

11.1.1 Rink, Fishing Derby, Community Garden updates

11.2 Earleton-Temiskaming Regional Airport

- Managers report Nov and Dec 2022
- Financials Nov and Dec 2022
- Nov 17 2022 minutes

11.3 Timiskaming Health Unit

None

11.4 Temiskaming Municipal / Building Association

None

11.5 Temiskaming Mayors Action Group

None

11.6 Waste Disposal Site Committee

None

11.7 Hilliardton Marsh Research and Education Centre

- Construction continues on the new building at the Marsh

11.8 Community Policing

None

11.9 DTSSAB

None

12. By-Law:

2023-30

KP

DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, give By-Law 2023-08, being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard for its meeting held on February 22, 2023 a first, second, third and final reading this 22nd day of February 2023.

“carried”

13. Adjournment:

2023-31

DL

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, do now adjourn to the next meeting on March 22nd 2023 at 7pm or at the call of the Reeve.

“carried”

Reeve

Clerk