



## MINUTES - COUNCIL MEETING April 19, 2023

The Council of the Township of Hilliard met on March 22, 2023 at the hour of 6:30 p.m., for a meeting.

### Attendance:

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

### 1a. Call to Order:

Reeve Laurie Bolesworth called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### 1b. Annual Staff Evaluations:

Evaluations were completed with Roads Superintendent and Clerk-Treasurer. Roads Superintendent requested increase to amount of lieu time he can accumulate, to 40 hours. Approved by Council.

### 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

None

### 3. Agenda:

2023-44

KP

DL

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

“carried”

### 4. Minutes:

2023-45

DL

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, adopt the minutes of March 22 2023 as amended.

“carried”

**5. Guests:**

Kyle Overton, Everfarm Operations Manager re: Wool Mill Road drainage

Kyle presented regarding the work that has been done on Wool Mill Road to mitigate damage done by water from their fields (tiling), and presented options for upgrades to road drainage / costs involved. Council would like Drainage Superintendent to have a look at the proposal and what other water might be coming into the ditch in the future, and what options/methods we can use to ensure that rate-payers are not going to be paying for all the future maintenance here. Clerk to ask Drainage Superintendent for feedback.

**6. Roads Department Business and Report:**

6.1 Attached "Road Report"

**2023-46**

KP

DL

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

"carried"

6.2 Furnace Replacement Discussion

General discussion to clarify furnace specs for the Clerk, prior to issuing RFQ for the work. Propane furnaces will be installed in the shop and hall (switching from oil).

6.3 Old Dump Shed surplus

It was discovered that the old shed does not belong to the township so will be returned.

**7. Clerks Department Business and Report:**

7.1 Attached "Clerk Report"

**2023-47**

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

**2023-48**

DL

BM

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, hereby appoint Elizabeth Ann Carleton to fill the vacant seat on Council for the remaining term, effective immediately.

"carried"

**8. Financials and Accounts:**

8.1 Financial Reports and Payment of Accounts

**2023-49**

KP

DL

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 \$241,352.56 for March 2023.

"carried"

8.2 By-Law 2023-11 to adopt budget

**2023-50**

DL  
KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, hereby approve By-Law 2023-11 to adopt the budget for 2023.

“carried”

8.3 By-Law 2023-12 Tax Ratios

**2023-51**

KP  
DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, hereby approve Tax Ratios By-Law 2023-12.

“carried”

8.4 By-Law 2023-13 Tax Rates

**2023-52**

KP  
DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, hereby approve Tax Rates By-Law 2023-13.

“carried”

**9. Correspondence:**

**2023-53**

DL  
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 2023-24 Inclusive Community Grants

**10. New Business:**

None

**11. Reports and/or Minutes from Meetings:**

**2023-54**

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

None

11.3 Timiskaming Health Unit

January 2023 minutes

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

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

11.8 Community Policing

None

11.9 DTSSAB

None

**12. By-Law:**

**2023-55**

KP

DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, give By-Law 2023-14, being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard for its meeting held on April 19, 2023 a first, second, third and final reading this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

“carried”

**13. Adjournment:**

2023-56

KP

DL

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, do now adjourn to the next meeting on May 24<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 7pm or at the call of the Reeve.

“carried”

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**Reeve**

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**Clerk**