



MINUTES - COUNCIL MEETING February 19, 2025

The Council of the Township of Hilliard met at the hour of 4:30 p.m., for a meeting.

Attendance:

Reeve	Laurie Bolesworth (LB)
Councillors	Betty Carleton (BC)
	Dan Lane (DL)
	Karen Peckover (KP)
	Phil Veley (PV)
Clerk-Treasurer	Wendy Belanger
Roads Superintendent	Ross Martin

1. Call to Order:

Reeve Bolesworth called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

None

3. Agenda:

2025-12

KP

BC

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

“carried”

4. Minutes:

2025-13

BC

PV

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, adopt the meeting minutes of January 13, 2025.

“carried”

5. Guests:

Jeff Manners, Community Safety and Well-Being Coordinator

-Presented Community Safety and Well-Being Plan update

Pete Gilboe, By-Law Officer

2025-14

KP

PV

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, enter into closed session at 4:38 pm.

“carried”

2025-15

BC

PV

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, rise from closed session at 5:30 pm.

“carried”

6. Roads Department Business and Report:

6.1 Attached “Road Report”

2025-16

KP

PV

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

“carried”

6.2 Discussion Drain Waivers

-Council decided to enforce Drain Waiver and Assumption of Risk.

7. Clerks Department Business and Report:

7.1 Attached “Clerk Report”

2025-17

BC

KP

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

“carried”

7.2 By-Law 2025-04 Appoint Officers and Servants

2025-18

BC

PV

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, approve By-Law 2025-04 being a by-law to Appoint Officers and Servants.

“carried”

7.3 By-Law 2025-05 Lautem Inc. Drain 2006 and Pineheights Farm Drain-Thibault Branch 1, Maintenance Levying

2025-19

KP

PV

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, approve By-Law 2025-05 being a by-law to provide for the levying costs resulting from the maintenance and repair of the Lautem Inc. Drain 2006 and Pineheights Farm Drain-Thibault Branch 1.

“carried”

7.4 Discussion Emergency Management

-Council decided that the Township of Hilliard will not have a shared Emergency Response Plan with the Village of Thornloe. It was recommended the Clerk for the Township of Hilliard be an alternate CEMC and EIO for the Village of Thornloe and the Clerk for the Village of Thornloe be an alternate CEMC and EIO for the Township of Hilliard.

8. Financials and Accounts:

8.1 Financial Reports and Payment of Accounts

2025-20

BC

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 \$55,694.17 for January 2025.

“carried”

8.2 Draft 2025 Budget Discussion

-Clerk to bring back final draft for next council meeting.

9. Correspondence:

2025-21

BC

PV

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

“carried”

9.1 Letters / Resolutions / General and Information:

-Little Claybelt Homesteaders Museum – Council approved a donation of \$250 for 2025.

-Northern Hospice Care – Council decided not to send a donation for 2025.

9.2 Grants:

-NOHFC Roads Intern – approved for \$35,000

-Library Grant

-Ontario Trillium Foundation Playground Equipment and Benches

-2025 Gro for Good Garden Grant Program Community Garden

9.3 Recreation Committee

-Rink, Fishing Derby, Community Garden updates

9.4 Earlton-Temiskaming Regional Airport

-Minutes / Financials / Manager’s Report

9.5 Temiskaming Health Unit

-Minutes and general information

9.6 Temiskaming Municipal Association / Building Dept

-Minutes and general information

9.7 Temiskaming Mayors Action Group

-None

9.8 Waste Disposal Site Committee

-None

9.9 Hilliardton Marsh Research and Education Centre

-None

9.10 Community Policing

-Minutes and general information

-Clerk to attend March meeting, in regards to the Secretary Treasurer position, for the new OPP Board.

9.11 DTSSAB

-Budget Allocation

10. New Business:

-None

11. By-Law:

2025-22

BC

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, give By-Law 2025-06, being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of the Council of the Corporation February 2025.

“carried”

12. Adjournment:

2025-23

PV

KP

THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hilliard, do now adjourn to the next meeting on March 19, 2025 at 4:30pm or at the call of the Reeve.

“carried”

Reeve

Clerk