

Council of the Corporation of
The Township of Billings
Regular Meeting
October 16, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor Austin Hunt, Councillors Sharon Alkenbrack, Nora Bath-Haring, Barbara Erskine and Brian Parker
Staff: Floyd Becks, Public Works Superintendent, Todd Gordon, Economic Development Officer and Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer/CAO
Delegations: Billings Fire Department represented by Aaron Wright and Zoe Couillard.
Media: Tom Sasvari
Member of the General Public

2017-244 Erskine – Bath-Haring

BE IT RESOLVED that this regular meeting of Council be opened with a quorum present at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Hunt presiding.

Carried

2017-245 Parker – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the October 16, 2017 regular meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried

2017-246 Erskine – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the minutes of the October 3, 2017 regular meeting as presented.

Carried

Aaron Wright of the Billings Fire Department made a presentation regarding the possibility of establishing a Junior Firefighter's program. Zoe Couillard also spoke on the subject.

Todd Gordon, Economic Development Officer, gave Council a report on the "Creating a Culture of Conservation" workshop that he attended on October 11, 2017.

Councillor Erskine reported that the members of the Recreation Committee put in volunteer hours for the Elemental Festival.

Councillor Erskine reported on the Go Green survey for Waste Reduction Week.

Councillor Erskine reported on the Joint Building Systems Committee and the Canada 150 Committee project.

Councillor Alkenbrack reported on the October 12, 2017 EDC meeting.

2017-247 Bath-Haring – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the Winter Operations Plan.

Carried

2017-248 Parker – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the change in tax billing due dates to the last working day in March for the interim bill and the last working day in September for the final;
AND BE IT RESOLVED that Council instructs staff to work on an equal payment policy for monthly tax payments.

Carried

2017-249 Erskine – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Billings will pay Nora Bath-Haring's registration and expenses to attend the Ontario Good Roads Conference in Toronto from February 25 to 28, 2018.

Carried

2017-250 Erskine – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that Council instructs the Clerk Treasurer/CAO to enter into a Participation Agreement with Rethink Green to provide capacity building support towards the creation of a community energy plan.

Carried

2017-251 Parker – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Minutes of Settlement for the following properties:

51 21 000 001 10300

51 21 000 003 03200

51 21 000 005 13500

51 21 000 005 14900

51 21 000 005 15000

Carried

2017-252 Bath-Haring – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED that Billings township donate \$1000.00 in 2018 to Manitoulin Streams.

Carried

2017-253 Parker – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that Council supports the Resolution from the Township of Tehkummah to petition AMCTO to host training sessions on Manitoulin Island so that more staff and Council members of the municipalities in the District can attend these sessions.

Carried

2017-254 Alkenbrack – Bath-Haring

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes the following accounts for payment:

General Accounts \$103,160.42

and that the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to sign cheques number 4760 to 4783 as described in the attached register.

Carried

2017-255 Bath-Haring – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 239(1) c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. Chapter 25, this Council proceed to a Closed Session at 9:07 p.m. in order to discuss a matter pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

Carried

2017-256 Alkenbrack – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjourns from this in camera session and resumes our regular meeting at 9:12 p.m.

Carried

During the in camera session instructions were given to the Clerk Treasurer/CAO.

2017-257 Bath-Haring – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law 2017-37, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be given first, second and third reading and enacted.

Carried

2017-258 Parker – Bath-Haring

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjourn from this regular meeting of Council at 9:13 p.m. until our next regular meeting of November 7, 2017, or Call of the Chair.

Carried

Austin Hunt, Mayor

Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer/CAO

10/17/17:km

These minutes have been prepared but are not considered official until approved by Council at a subsequent meeting.