



The Corporation of the Township of Billings
Council Meeting Minutes
August 1st, 2023 7:00 p.m.
Park Centre – 39 Henry Drive, Kagawong

Council Present

Bryan Barker, Mayor
David Hillyard, Deputy Mayor
Jim Cahill, Councillor
Vince Grogan, Councillor
Michael Hunt, Councillor

Staff Present

Emily Dance, CAO/Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barker called the Council meeting of the Township of Billings to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

2.1. Confirm approval of the agenda.

Motion 2023-405

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves the agenda as presented.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Hunt declared a pecuniary interest on item 7.5 CLK-08-25 PO Box upgrade and Community Mailbox Location – Councillor Hunt is the Post Master.

4. Adoption of Minutes

Motion to adopt the minutes of the following meetings of Council:

4.1. Regular Council Meeting – July 20, 2023

4.2. Committee of the Whole – July 20, 2023

Motion 2023-406

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the July 20th 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and the July 20th 2023 Committee of the Whole Minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.



5. Delegation

5.1. Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB)

Western Manitoulin Council Orientation Session – CAO Donna Stewart

Donna Stewart, CAO of the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board presented the Western Manitoulin Council Orientation Session to Council to explain the services that the DSB performs.

6. Committee Reports

6.1. Members of Council were provided with an opportunity to report on Committee and Board meetings. – *No updates*

6.2. Climate Action Committee Minutes – May 17th, 2023
Motion 2023-407

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 6, Committee Reports.

Carried.

7. Staff Reports

7.1. CAO-2023-08-14 OPP Detachment Board
Motion 2023-408

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information Report CAO-2023-08-14.

Carried.

7.2. CAO-2023-08-15 OMERS
Motion 2023-409

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves transitioning to the OMERS benefit plan with an opt-in option provided to eligible full-time staff AND FURTHER approves the appropriate By-Law come forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

7.3. CAO-2023-08-16 Strategic Plan
Motion 2023-410

Moved by: Cahill Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CAO-2023-08-16 AND directs staff to issue a Request for Proposal for a Strategic Plan for the Township of Billings with the amendment to Engagement Strategy increased to 30% and decrease



quality of approach to 10% AND FURTHER appoints the CAO/Clerk, MPM, Mayor and Deputy Mayor to the evaluation team.

Carried.

7.4. CAO-2023-08-17 Website

Motion 2023-411

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CAO-2023-08-17 AND directs staff to issue a Request for Proposal for a new corporate website for the Township of Billings.

Carried.

7.5. CLK-2023-08-25-PO Box Upgrade & Community Mailbox Locations

Councillor Hunt left the meeting.

Motion 2023-412

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information report CLK-2023-08-25 AND FURTHER direct staff to forward concerns with the Arda Road community mailbox location.

Carried.

Councillor Hunt returned to the meeting.

8. Old Business

Council requested an update on the following:
pedestrian bridge – in progress, access bridge is in,
Firehall Status - moving forward, still tentative for September

9. Correspondence Requiring Direction

9.1. Manitoulin Phragmites Project: Phragmites in Billings

Judith Jones requested permission from Council to treat the identified areas with phragmites present in Billings in August.

Motion 2023-413

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby grants Judith Jones of the Manitoulin Phragmites Project permission to treat the identified areas in Billings as requested.

Carried.

10. Information

10.1. AMO Delegation Update

10.2. [No longer a Manitoulin hamlet, Kagawong blooms](#), Bonnie Kogos



Motion: 2023-414

Moved by Hunt Seconded by: Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 10.

Carried.

11. Accounts for Payment

11.1. Accounts for Payment to July 19, 2023

Motion 2023-415

Moved by Hunt Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves, ratifies, and confirms the June 15, 2023 Accounts for Payment as presented.

Carried.

Add description to the 1M - project

12. By-Laws and Agreements

12.1. 2023-81 Adopt 2023 Budget By-Law

Motion 2023-416

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by: Grogan

THAT By-Law No. 2023-81 being a by-law to adopt the 2023 Municipal Annual Budget for the Township of Billings be read a first, second, third time AND FINALLY passed this 1st day of August, 2023.

Carried.

12.2. 2023-82 Adopt 2023 Tax Rate By-Law

Motion 2023-417

Moved by Hunt Seconded by: Cahill

THAT By-Law No. 2023-82 being a by-law to authorize the levying of tax rates and collection of taxes for the year 2023 for the Township of Billings be read a first, second, third time AND FINALLY passed this 1st day of August, 2023.

Carried.

12.3. 2023-83 Waterhouse Executive Search (Treasurer) Agreement By-Law

Motion 2023-418

Moved by Grogan Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT By-Law No. 2023-83 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Waterhouse Executive Search for the Recruitment of a Municipal Treasurer for the Township of Billings be read a first, second, third time AND FINALLY passed this 1st day of August, 2023.



Carried.

12.4. 2023-84 OMERS By-Law

Motion 2023-419

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT By-Law No. 2023-84 being a by-law of the council of the corporation of the township of billings to authorize participation in the OMERS primary pension plan ("primary plan"), and the retirement compensation arrangement for the OMERS primary pension plan ("RCA"), each as amended from time to time, of the employees of the corporation of the township of billings ("employer") identified herein.

Carried.

13. **Notice of Motions**

No notice of motions

14. **Closed Session**

No closed session

15. **Confirmatory By-Law**

15.1. By-Law No. 2023-85 Being the August 1st, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law

Motion 2023-420

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT By-Law No. 2023-85 being the August 1st, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 1st day of August, 2023.

Carried.

16. **Adjournment**


16.1. Motion to Adjourn

Motion 2023-421

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby adjourns at 8:47 p.m.

Carried.



Mayor – Bryan Barker



CAO/Clerk – Emily Dance