

The Corporation of the  
Township of Billings  
Regular Meeting

September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 7:30 p.m.

Electronically

**Present:** Mayor Anderson, Councillors Sharon Alkenbrack, Bryan Barker, Michael Hunt and Sharon Jackson

**Staff:** Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk; Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk; Arthur Moran, By Law Enforcement Officer; Todd Gordon, Economic Development Officer

Media: Tom Sasvari

Members of the General Public

**1. OPEN**

**2021-308 Alkenbrack - Hunt**

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

Carried

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**2021-309 Barker - Jackson**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the agenda for the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried

**3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None.

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**a) September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**2021-310 Alkenbrack - Hunt**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes for the September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried

**5. DELEGATIONS**

None.

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**a) Main Street Construction Update**

Council received update.

**a) Waterfront Project Update – Wastewater Treatment Component**

Council received update.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Bridge Opening Times**

**2021-311 Barker - Alkenbrack**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council is in support of changing the bridge opening at Little Current to every 2 hours instead of the current hourly.

Defeated

**b) AMO Truth and Reconciliation**

**2021-312 Barker - Jackson**

**WHEREAS** the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation;

**AND WHEREAS** the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;

**AND WHEREAS** all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation;

**AND WHEREAS** Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Billings of Kagawong does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, 2021, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.

Carried

**c) Recommendation from the Economic Development Committee**

**2021-313 Alkenbrack - Jackson**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council instructs staff to advertise for a volunteer committee member for the Economic Development Committee.

Carried

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**a) Landfill Hours**

**2021-314 Alkenbrack - Jackson**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council keep the landfill hours as is for the Winter 2021/22 and will re-evaluate in the Spring of 2022.

Carried

**b) Speed Limit on Pleasant Valley Road**

**2021-315 Barker - Hunt**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council authorize the purchase of a portable speed indicator.

Carried

**10. INFORMATION**

**a) Minister's Letter: Site Plan Guide**

Council received report.

- b) **By-Law Report – August 2021**  
Council received report.
- c) **Municipal Modernization Program - Intake 3**  
Council received report.
- d) **Museum Committee Minutes – September 13, 2021**  
Council received report.

**11. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

**2021-316 Hunt - Barker**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council Authorizes the following accounts for payment:

General Accounts        \$276,245.82

and that cheques numbered 6915 to 6933 be authorized for signing as described in the attached register.

Carried

**12. CLOSED SESSION**

**2021-317 Alkenbrack - Barker**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with Section 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. Chapter 25*, this Council proceed to a Closed Session at 8:02 p.m. in order to discuss an item involving labour relations.

Carried

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**2021-318 Alkenbrack - Barker**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council move out of Closed Session at 8:33 p.m. and resume their regular, open meeting.

Carried

**13. CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

**2021-319 Alkenbrack - Jackson**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that By-law 2021-44, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be given first, second, third reading and enacted.

Carried

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**2021-320 Barker - Hunt**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this regular meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Carried

  
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Ian Anderson, Mayor

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Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk

