



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 6th, 2022 7:30 p.m.

PARK CENTRE

Council Present

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

Staff Present

Emily Dance, CAO/Clerk
Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk
Todd Gordon, Municipal Project Manager

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barker called the Council meeting of the Township of Billings to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

2022-365

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Grogan

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

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None noted.

4. Adoption of Minutes

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

- 4.1. Public Council Meeting Minutes – November 1, 2022
- 4.2. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 1, 2022
- 4.3. Inaugural Council Meeting Minutes – November 15, 2022
- 4.4. Special Council Meeting Minutes – November 29, 2022

2022-366

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Cahill

THAT the November 1, 2022 Public and Regular Council Meeting Minutes the November 15, 2022 Inaugural Council Meeting Minutes and the November 29, 2022 Special Meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.

5. Delegation

Dan Moody, A.Sc.T. Project Manager Tulloch Engineering RE: Firehall Project

Mr. Moody provided some background information on the project getting to the tender stage, and the construction progress until the point when the structural concerns were noted.

Mr. Moody explained that once the interior drywall and wood strapping were removed the cracking was discovered. He noted that the structural issues stem primarily from cracking within the masonry block walls that has developed primarily due to the expansive forces of rust developing on the loadbearing steel lintels over the windows and doors.

He explained due to the unique architectural face on the concrete blocks, these issues were not apparent from the exterior during the design process. It was only once the interior drywall and wood strapping were removed that the cracking was discovered.

Mr. Moody clarified that although drywall and wood strapping are not intended to contribute to the overall structural integrity of a building, they do serve to provide a significant amount of stiffness to the wall assembly.

In addition, Mr. Moody noted that the exploratory work that occurred at the front of the building at the overhead doors required the partial removal of the top panel of an overhead door. This changed the behaviour of the applied wind forces acting on the building.

Mr. Moody presented two options for Council to consider moving forward.

Option One - Short term stabilization, followed by temporary shoring of the roof structure on the affected side of the building. The existing masonry block wall would be systematically removed from top to bottom and disposed of. A new wood frame loadbearing wall would be constructed in place of the masonry block. The new windows, doors, insulation, and siding would then be installed in this newly constructed wall assembly. The movement that the block walls have experienced in their compromised state, has impacted some of the mortar joints on the exterior of the building. These mortar joints on the front and back will need to be repaired. It was identified that the masonry block walls are filled with asbestos containing vermiculite insulation. Removal of the block wall must be completed by a licensed abatement contractor.

Option Two Complete demolition of the building down to the level of the foundation. As the current contract includes for replacement of all siding, insulation, windows, doors,

electrical and mechanical systems these materials could be used. The construction of a new building would afford the opportunity to change the aesthetics of the building. Although the basic footprint cannot change, due to foundation and site constraints, a new sloping roof could be installed to better blend in with the surrounding properties. It has been determined that the structure could be constructed from readily available wood framing members.

Mr. Moody concluded with noting that the repair the existing structure would require significant costs for stabilization, shoring, as well as repairs to the existing masonry structure. For the demolition there would be significant costs due to the hazardous nature of the block fill. If consideration were to be given to complete replacement, the demolition process could take on a completely different sequence. The material would still need to be disposed of as hazardous waste, but the process to do so would be far less labor-intensive.

5.1.1. MPM-2022-12-02 Firehall Renovation Project Update
2022-367

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information
Report No. MPM-2022-12-02.

Carried.

2022-368

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby directs staff to proceed with requesting the Engineer provide further details on the shoring option and the demolition option on the same footprint of the firehall AND provide the financial implications and timelines for Council consideration at the earliest time possible.

Carried.

6. Committee Reports

6.1. Members of Council to give a brief summary of Board and Committee Meetings
No summaries were given by members of Council.

6.2. 2022 Museum Report to Council
Council received report.

6.3. 2023 Museum Draft Budget
2022-369

Moved by: Hillyard Seconded by: Hunt

That the Township of Billings Council hereby receives the 2023 Museum Draft Budget as prepared by the Museum Committee AND directs staff to bring forward the Museum Budget during budget deliberations.

Carried.

6.4. Manitoulin Planning Board Natural Heritage System Strategy
Council received report.

7. New Business

7.1. CLK-2022-12-01 Appoint Deputy Mayor
2022-370

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby appoints Councillor David Hillyard as Deputy Mayor for the Corporation of the Township of Billings for the 2022-2026 term of Council AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

7.2. CLK-2022-12-02 Council Meeting Schedule 2023
2022-371

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CLK-2022-12-04 AND amends the Regular Council Meeting Schedule to the first and third Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00 p.m. AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward.

Carried.

7.3. CLK-2022-12-03 Boards and Committees

Council had a brief discussion on the proposed Boards and Committee and directed staff to bring back a report regarding: dissolving the Economic Development Committee and transfer the mandates to the Parks, Recreation, Wellness and Events Committee; implementation of Ad-Hoc Committees for the Strategic Plan and By-law review; and an Advisory Committee regarding assessment management (Public Works).

2022-372

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby appoints the Council members to the Boards and Committees as outlined in the attachment (as amended) AND FURTHER invites current sitting members of Committees to remain on the respective appointed Committees AND FURTHER directs staff to advertise for recruitment of any vacant positions AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-law coming forward.

Carried.

7.4. CLK-2022-12-04 Compliance Audit Committee

2022-373

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby appoints Peter Spadzinski, Lori Thompson, and Renee Zilio to the Joint Compliance Audit Committee for the Corporation of the Township of Billings for the 2022-2026 term of Council AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

7.5. CAO-2022-12-01 Authorize Signing Authority

2022-374

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby authorizes Mayor Barker, Deputy Mayor Hillyard, CAO/Clerk Emily Dance and Treasurer Cheryl McCulligh as Signing Officers for the Township of Billings for all corporate accounts AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

7.6. EM-2022-12-01 Emergency Response Plan and Program

2022-375

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report Number EM-2022-12-01 AND authorizes the amendments to the Township of Billings Emergency Response Plan as outlined in the staff report AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

7.7. MPM-2022-12-01 Kagawong River Pedestrian Bridge – Construction Contract Re-Tender

2022-376

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report No. PM 2022-11-01 AND directs staff to work with Water's Edge Environmental Solutions Team Ltd., to re-tender for construction services for the replacement pedestrian bridge across the lower Kagawong River.

Carried.

7.8. TR-2022-12-01 Transfer Payment Agreement First Nation Properties

2022-377

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report TR-2022-12-01 AND authorizes entering into an agreement with his Majesty the King in Right of

Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to accept tax payment for specified First Nations properties AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

7.9. Kagawong Drinking Water Inspection Report 2022
2022-378

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives the 2022 Kagawong Drinking Water Inspection Report.

Carried.

8. Correspondence Requiring Direction

8.1. Christmas in Kagawong-request for reduced rental fee
E-mail dated November 18, 2022

2022-379

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby authorizes a reduction of one of the two-day rental fees for the Christmas in Kagawong Event for 2022 at a cost of \$200 + HST.

Carried.

8.2. Old Mill Heritage Centre – Artifacts letter dated November 23, 2022
2022-380

Moved by: Cahill Seconded by: Hunt

THAT Township of Billings Council hereby directs staff work with the Billings Museum Committee to come up with alternate options for the re-location of the artifacts and that a recommendation be brought forward for Council consideration in the near future.

Carried.

9. Information

- 9.1. Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund-2023 Funding allocation
- 9.2. Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) New Highway Safety Standard
- 9.3. Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program Changes
- 9.4. Public Health Sudbury and Districts Green Algae Bloom
- 9.5. Public Health Sudbury and Districts Recommendation to Mask
- 9.6. Ontario's Greenbelt Petition
- 9.7. Federation of Canadian Municipalities National Adaptation Strategy
- 9.8. Michael Mantha Congratulations to Mayor and Council
- 9.9. Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities Welcome Letter
- 9.10. Manitoulin Navy League Thank You Letter

2022-381

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 9 AND directs staff to bring forward a motion to present to Council in response to item 9.8 at the next Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried.

10. Accounts for Payment

10.1. Accounts for Payment to November 30, 2022
2022-382

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves, ratifies, and confirms the November 30, 2022 Accounts for Payment as presented.

Carried.

11. By-Laws and Agreements

11.1. By-Law No. 2022-64 being the Appoint Deputy Mayor 2022-2026 By-Law
2022-383

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hunt

THAT By-Law No. 2022-64 being a by-law to Appoint the Deputy Mayor for Council of the Township of Billings be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 6th day of December, 2022.

Carried.

11.2. By-Law No. 2022-65 being the Appoint Joint Compliance Audit Committee By-Law
2022-384

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT By-Law No. 2022-65 being a by-law to appoint a joint compliance audit committee for the Township of Billings be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 6th day of December, 2022.

Carried.

11.3. By-Law No. 2022-66 being the Accept Tax Payment for Specified First Nations Properties By-Law
2022-385

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Cahill

THAT By-Law No. 2022-66 being a By-Law to Authorize Entering into a Grant Agreement to Accept Tax Payment for Specified First Nation Properties in the Township of Billings be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 6th day of December, 2022.

Carried.

11.4. By-Law No. 2022-67 being the Appoint Signing Officers By-Law
2022-386

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Cahill

THAT By-Law No. 2022-67 being a By-law to Establish Signing Officers for the Township of Billings be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 6th day of December, 2022.

Carried.

- 11.5. By-Law No. 2022-68 being the Emergency Response Program and Emergency Response Plan By-Law
2022-387

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Hillyard

THAT By-Law No. 2022-68 being a By-law to Amend the Emergency Management Response Program and Emergency Response Plan for the Township of Billings be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 6th day of December, 2022.

Carried.

12. Confirmatory By-Law

- 12.1. By-Law No. 2022-69 being the December 2022 Confirmatory By-Law
2022-388

Moved by: Grogan Seconded by: Hunt

THAT By-Law No. 2022-69 being the December 6, 2022 Confirmatory By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 6th day of December, 2022.

Carried.

13. Bulk Water (Discussion re-examination from item 5.1.1)

- 13.1. 2022-389

Moved by: Hillyard Seconded by: Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby directs staff to move forward with a solution to provide an alternate bulk water solution with an upset limit of \$15,000 AND FURTHER authorizes pre-budget approval for the expenditure.

Carried.


14. Adjournment

- 14.1. Motion to Adjourn
2022-390

Moved by: Hunt Seconded by: Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby adjourns at 9:31p.m.

Carried.



Mayor Bryan Barker



CAO/Clerk Emily Dance