

Council of the Corporation of
The Township of Billings
Regular Meeting
January 8, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor Ian Anderson, Councillors Sharon Alkenbrack, Bryan Barker, Michael Hunt, Sharon Jackson.

Staff: Floyd Becks, Public Works Superintendent; Megan Bonenfant, Deputy Clerk; Todd Gordon, Economic Development Officer and Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk

Media: Tom Sasvari

Members of the General Public

Mayor Anderson announced that Austin Hunt, long standing Mayor for Billings Township, is a recent recipient of the Order of Canada.

2019-01 Jackson – 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

2019-02 Barker – Jackson

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the January 8, 2019 regular meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried

Councillor Alkenbrack declared a pecuniary interest “I wish to declare a pecuniary interest on item #7, Old Business item a) due to the fact of previously having rented a cabana and I am Chair of the Billings Economic Development Committee”.

2019-03 Alkenbrack – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the minutes of the December 17, 2018 regular meeting as presented.

Carried

Councillor Bryan Barker reported on the December 19, 2018 meeting of the Manitoulin Municipal Association. Mayor Anderson attended, as well. Austin Hunt, former long time Mayor of Billings Township was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Councillor Sharon Jackson reported on the Recreation Committee meeting held January 6, 2019. The next meeting is February 4, 2019.

Councillor Alkenbrack reported on the December 18, 2018 Library Board meeting. The next meeting is Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

2019-04 Barker – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that Council rescinds their Resolution 2018-335.

Carried

Councillor Alkenbrack had declared a pecuniary interest in the above (EDC request for a cabana to be constructed with EDC paying a portion of the cost) and did not participate in the discussion, or vote, regarding resolution 2019-04.

2019-05 Alkenbrack – Barker

BE IT RESOLVED that by-law 2018-52, as amended, being a by-law to establish a policy governing council-staff relations, be given second reading.

Carried

2019-06 Alkenbrack – Jackson

BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Corporation of the Township of Billings has chosen to allow for recreational cannabis retail stores to be located within the Township of Billings.

Carried

2019-07 Barker – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes the installation of signs at the skating rink that read “Rink not municipally maintained, use at own risk”, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council directs any community volunteers undertaking rink maintenance complete a log of their activities, to be kept in the rink shed at all times.

Carried

2019-08 Hunt – Jackson

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

General Accounts \$168,617.01

And that the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to sign cheques number 5002 to 5012 and 5990 to 6000 as described in the attached register.

Carried

2019-09 Jackson – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law 2019-01, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be given first, second, third reading and enacted.

Carried

2019-10 Barker – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjourns from this regular meeting at 8:46 p.m. until the next regular meeting of Council on January 21, 2019, or Call of the Chair.

Carried

Ian Anderson, Mayor

Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk

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