

The Council of the Corporation of  
The Township of Billings  
Regular Meeting  
January 21, 2019

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

2019-011 Barker – Alkenbrack

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

2019-012 Alkenbrack – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the January 21, 2019 regular meeting of Council be accepted as amended.

Carried

Item 8. New Business a) Summer Student Positions, was amended to read Seasonal Positions.

2019-013 Jackson – Barker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the minutes of the January 8, 2019 regular meeting as presented.

Carried

Councillor Alkenbrack reported on the January 15, 2019 meeting of the Artisan Connection group. The next meeting is February 11, 2019.

2019-014 Barker – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that by-law 2018-52, being a by-law to establish a policy governing councillor-staff relations, be given third reading and enacted.

Carried

2019-015 Alkenbrack – Jackson

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the quotation from AirCo Ltd. for the purchase and installation of a Lifebreath HRV 350DCS and associated works as described more fully in the quotation, at a cost of \$19,947.00 + hst.

Carried

2019-016 Jackson – Barker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council directs staff to prepare a by-law to accept the Rebranding Committee Terms of Reference, as presented, for Council's consideration at their next regular meeting.

Carried

2019-017 Hunt – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the revised 2019 council meeting schedule as presented.  
Carried.

2019-018 Alkenbrack – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes staff to advertise for the following seasonal employee positions as soon as possible

- Marina Lead Hand (1)
- Marina Assistant (2)
- Public Works Assistant (2)
- Museum Student (1)
- Library Student (1)
- Swim Instructor (1)
- Swim Assistant (1)

Carried

2019-019 Barker – Jackson

WHEREAS eating disorders have the highest mortality rate among all psychiatric illnesses and can develop in anyone, regardless of age, ethno-racial background, socioeconomic status, gender or ability; and,

WHEREAS stigma, secrecy and stereotypes still surround eating disorders, causing many people who are suffering to refrain from seeking help; and,

WHEREAS open, supportive dialogue can help break the shame and silence that affect nearly 1 million Canadians living with diagnosable eating disorders and the millions of others who are struggling with food and weight preoccupation; and,

WHEREAS Eating Disorder Awareness Week seeks to raise awareness of eating disorders, shed light on dangerous and pervasive myths and promote prevention. It is also a time of year for Canadians to learn about available resources and appropriate services for themselves and/or loved ones; and,

WHEREAS Eating Disorder Awareness Week aims to teach Canadians that eating disorders are not a choice, and that eating disorders are a serious and dangerous mental illness;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Corporation of the Township of Billings hereby proclaims February 1-7, 2019, Eating Disorder Awareness Week.

Carried

2019-020 Alkenbrack – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that by-law 2019-02, being a by-law to affix a sale of costs applicable to all documentation processed under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, C.25, be given first, second and third reading and enacted.

Carried

2019-021 Alkenbrack – Jackson

BE IT RESOLVED that Council directs staff to proceed with tax sale registration for 11 properties identified in the staff report included in the agenda package for this meeting.

Carried

2019-022 Hunt – Barker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes the transfer of any budget surplus from 2018 to the general reserve.

Carried

2019-023 Hunt – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that by-law 2019-03, being a by-law to adopt a policy with respect to pregnancy and parental leaves for members of council, be given first, second and third reading and enacted.

Carried

2019-024 Barker – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Corporation of the Township of Billings authorizes in-kind support for the 2019 Elemental Festival organized by 4Elements Living Arts and scheduled for September 26-29, 2019 in the form of free rental of the Park Centre and Old Church on the Hill for four days (a \$1,200 value).

Carried

2019-025 Hunt – Jackson

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to execute the updated operational plan for the Kagawong Drinking Water System.

Carried

2019-026 Barker – Jackson

WHEREAS Council is reviewing their committee of Council structure and has not yet appointed members for the current term;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoints the following persons to committees of council on an interim basis until their review has concluded:

Cemetery Board: Dennis Beckett, Peter Gordon, Gail Los, Kathy McDonald, Jim Monroe;

Economic Development: Sharon Alkenbrack (Chair), Ardiss Fenske, Pat Hess, Aus Hunt, Diane Laroque, Rick Rusk, Gail Zavitz, Deb Flaxman;

Go Green: Sandy Cook, Barbara Erskine, Sharon Jackson, John Rozon, Chris Theijsmeijer (Chair);

Library Board: Phyllis Cacciotti, Bill Elliot, Ruth Farquhar (Chair), Renee Patterson, Michael Hunt;

Museum Committee: Barb Edwards, Diane Fraser (Chair), Sabine Huege, Aus Hunt, Brad Mackay, Michael Hunt, Nora Bath-Haring;

Recreation Committee: Anna Aelick, Charlene Chambers, Jim Chambers, Carol Corneau, Barbara Erskine (Chair), Darren Hayden, Lisa Hayden, Sharon Jackson, Gail Los, Phyllis Cacciotti, Diana Zieleniewski.

Carried

2019-027 Hunt – Jackson

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

General Accounts \$72,095.55

And that the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to sign cheques number 5013 to 5033 as described in the attached register.

Carried

2019-028 Alkenbrack – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 239(2)(b) and (d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. Chapter 25*, this Council proceed to a Closed Session at 8:14 p.m. in order to discuss a matter pertaining to personal matters about an identifiable individual, employee negotiations.

Carried

2019-029 Jackson – Barker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council move out of Closed Session at 9:00 p.m. and resume their regular, open meeting.

Carried

During the Closed Session there was discussion regarding the property owners of two of the properties eligible for tax sale.

During the Closed Session there was discussion regarding identifiable staff person performance review and salary negotiations.

2019-030 Jackson – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that effective February 9, 2019 that Shara Hicks be moved up one step in the employee salary grid for Administrative Assistant and hired as permanent staff.

Carried

2019-031 Jackson – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that Bruce Mercer, Billings Township Treasurer, be moved onto the employee salary grid effective January 1, 2019.

Carried

2019-032 Barker – Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law 2019-04, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be given first, second, and third reading and enacted.

Carried

2019-033 Hunt – Barker

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjourns from this regular meeting at 9:10 p.m. until the next regular meeting of Council on February 5, 2019 or Call of the Chair.

Carried

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Ian Anderson, Mayor

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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.