



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Regular Council Meeting: April 18th, 2023

To review the agenda and accompanying staff reports, please visit our website <https://billingstwp.ca/council-meetings/2023-council-agendas-and-minutes/>

- **Message of Condolence from Mayor Barker regarding Mary Buie**

“I’d like to take this opportunity to offer our deepest condolences to the Buie/Coombes family on the passing of Mary Buie. Mary was an inspiration to many members of our community; she had a background in nursing and midwifery and often referred to herself as the “village nurse”. She was a tireless volunteer and was the first recipient of Manitoulin’s Vivian Levensohn Award for Volunteerism. Mary was a long-time devoted member and reader for the Anglican Church in Kagawong. She enthusiastically participated in many events with-in the community, her positivity and kindness were evident in all that she did and everyone she touched. I think a quote in the Manitoulin Expositor by Mary says it all “even small gestures can make profound impacts on the lives of many, such as calling lonely people in the community to see how their lives are going and to show that people care.” Mary was a shining light in our community and will be missed” -*Mayor Barker*

- **Hybrid/Broadcasting Council Meeting Trial**

- Council passed a motion to trial a zoom webinar option and OWL smart video conference option to broadcast council meetings to begin on May 2nd, 2023.
- If you are interested in taking part in this trail and giving feedback, please contact Tiana Mills at tmills@billingstwp.ca.

- **Island-Wide Waste Management Meeting**

- An Island-Wide Waste Management Meeting date has been set for June 15th, 2023 at the Kagawong Park Centre from 7pm - 9pm.
- Invitations will be sent to all Municipalities and First Nations on Manitoulin Island as well as MP Carol Hughes, MPP Designate and GFL Environmental.
- Meeting open to all members of the public

- **Volunteer of the Year and Senior of the Year Nominations**
 - Senior of the Year (Provincial Award)
 - This award gives the municipality the opportunity to honour one of their outstanding local seniors for the contributions they've made to enrich the social, cultural, and civic life of their community.
 - The deadline for nominations is April 30, 2023 contact tmills@billingstwp.ca to submit a nomination
 - Volunteer of the Year (Local Award)
 - Members of the community will be given the opportunity to submit a nomination for who they think would best fit the role of the 2023 Billings Volunteer of the Year.
 - A call for nominations and deadline to submit will be posted on the township website and Facebook page.

Members of the public who wish to comment on meeting items are welcome to do so in writing to tmills@billingstwp.ca comments will be included in the next available agenda package.

The Next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 2nd, 2023 @ 7pm in person at the Park Centre, the agenda will be posted at www.billingstwp.ca the Friday prior to the meeting.