

Council of the Corporation of
The Township of Billings
Regular Meeting
August 1, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor Austin Hunt, Councillors Sharon Alkenbrack, Nora Bath-Haring, Barbara Erskine, Brian Parker
Staff: Floyd Becks, Public Works Superintendent, Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer/CAO
Media: Tom Sasvari
Members of the General Public

2017-193 Erskine – Bath-Haring

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

Carried

2017-194 Alkenbrack – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the August 1, 2017 regular meeting of Council be accepted as amended.

Carried

The agenda was amended to add under New Business d) Falls Parking and to move United Church Offer from Old Business d) to Closed Session a) Pending acquisition of land and add under Closed Session b) Labour relations

2017-195 Alkenbrack – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the minutes of the July 17, 2017 Council meeting as presented.

Carried

Councillor Bath-Haring reported on the July 31, 2017 Museum Board meeting.

Councillor Parker reported on the Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting that he attended.

Discussion regarding location of new office and current police service coverage.

Councillor Erskine reported on the Recreation Committee, the Go Green Committee and the Joint Building Systems Committee.

Councillor Erskine reported on the Northeastern Ontario Immigration Portal meeting she attended July 27, 2017.

2017-196 Erskine – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that Council directs the Clerk Treasurer to write a letter regarding concerns about the location of the new OPP office on Manitoulin and about concerns about the

adequacy of police service coverage across the Island and address the letter to Premiere Wynne and OPP Commissioner Hawkes, copied to Staff Sergeant Webb and Sudbury Superintendent.

Carried

2017-197 Parker – Bath-Haring

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council makes the following donations for 2017:

- \$1000 Gore Bay Fish & Game Club
- \$ 500 MICA (Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates)
- \$ 300 Manitoulin Student Aid Fund
- \$ 200 Manitoulin Family Resources
- \$ 500 Gore Bay Manitoulin Airport
- \$ 250 Royal Canadian Legion Ad

Carried

2017-198 Erskine – Alkenbrack

WHEREAS, part of the largest infrastructure investment in Ontario's history our government is committed to helping rural communities improve vital local infrastructure,
AND WHEREAS, they are tripling the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) annually to \$300 million by 2019,

AND WHEREAS, the Township of Billings is eligible for OCIF Top-up funding,

AND WHEREAS, health and safety issues need to be addressed on the Main Street Hill,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Billings, with the assistance of Tulloch Engineering, will apply for funding under this program for Main Street Hill.

Carried

2017-199 Alkenbrack – Erskine

WHEREAS, the Township of Billings has an inventory of bridges and culverts that require and will require significant capital investments; and

WHEREAS, an Alternative Financing and Procurement approach may afford significant savings on the stewardship of municipal bridges and culverts; and

WHEREAS, the Alternative Financing and Procurement approach has been successfully employed in bridge bundling projects in other jurisdictions

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Billings approves in principle its willingness to participate in an exercise with representatives from the Ministry of Infrastructure, the Ministry of Transportation, the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario and the Ontario Good Roads Association to determine the feasibility of Alternative Financing and Procurement with regards to the bundling of bridges and culverts into one contract.

Carried

2017-200 Bath-Haring – Alkenbrack

WHEREAS, as part of the Canada 150 Project, plaques will be installed beside the sculptures, AND WHEREAS, the sculpture plaque text has been approved by the municipal lawyer, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Billings approves the sculpture plaque text as submitted.

Carried

2017-201 Alkenbrack – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2017-31, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Central Manitoulin for use of their Health and Safety Coordinator be given first, second and third reading and enacted.

Carried

2017-202 Parker – Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs the Clerk Treasurer to send a letter to Michael Mantha, MPP regarding the parking issues on the bridge at Bridal Veil Falls.

Carried

2017-203 Alkenbrack – Parker

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

General Accounts \$164,196.76

And the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to sign cheques number 4605 to 4638 as described in the attached register.

Carried

2017-204 Erskine – Parker

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. Chapter 25, this Council proceed to a Closed Session at 9:07 p.m. in order to discuss a matter pertaining to:

c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, and

d) Labour relations or employee negotiations

Carried

2017-207 Bath-Haring – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn from this In Camera meeting at 10:11 and resume our regular meeting.

Carried

Resolution 2017-205 was passed in camera giving the Clerk directions regarding the possible acquisition of land.

Resolution 2017-206 was passed in camera providing direction regarding labour relations.

2017-208 Bath-Haring – Erskine

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-32, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be given first, second and third reading and enacted.

Carried

2017-209 Erskine – Bath-Haring

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjourn from this regular meeting of Council at 10:13 p.m. until our next regular meeting of September 5, 2017, or Call of the Chair.

Carried

Austin Hunt, Mayor

Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer/CAO

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