

The Corporation of the Township of Billings Council Meeting Minutes

May 16th, 2023 7:00 p.m. Park Centre – 39 Henry Drive, Kagawong

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

Staff Present
Emily Dance, CAO/Clerk
Todd Gordon, Municipal Project Manager
Chris Cyr, Public Works Superintendent

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barker called the Council meeting of the Township of Billings to order at 7:00p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

2.1. Confirm approval of the agenda.

2023-237

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard

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

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None noted.

4. Closed Session

4.1. Motion to move into Closed Session 2023-238

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby moves into Closed Session pursuant to [s. 239(2)(f)] Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose — Notice of Motion — Solicitor Advice AND [s. 239(2)(b)] Personal matters about an identifiable



individual(3) – Volunteer of the Year and STAR Licensing Appeal Committee , identifiable individual AND FURTHER returns to open session upon completion.

Carried.

5. Report out of Closed Session

2023-246

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT Mayor Barker reported a closed meeting was held where information was received regarding a personnel matter AND personal matters about identifiable individual regarding volunteer of the year, STAR appeal Committee and a septate matter AND advise was received regarding the Notice of Motion that is subject to solicitor-client privilege AND FURTHER this advice will be brought up during Notice of Motion.

Carried.

2023-247

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT Council for the Township of Billings hereby appoints Brian Foreshew to the Township of Billings Short Term Accommodation Rental Appeal Committee.

Carried

6. Adoption of Minutes

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

6.1. Regular Council Meeting – May 2nd, 2023

2023-248

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT the May 2nd, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.

7. Delegation

None.

8. Committee Reports

- 8.1. Members of Council are provided with an opportunity to report on Committee and Board meetings.
- 8.2. Township of Billings Museum Committee Minutes, November 7, 2022 and April 3, 2023



Councillor Michael Hunt gave a verbal update on the Billings Library Board meeting on May 1, 2023.

Councillor Jim Cahill gave a verbal update on the Billings Business Meeting put on by the Western Manitoulin Economic Development Officer of LAMBAC on May 10, 2023.

9. Staff Reports

9.1. PW-2023-05-01-Public Works Quarterly Activity Update 2023-249

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information Report PW-2023-05-01.

Carried.

9.2. MR-2023-05-02-Marina Fee Exemption OPP 2023-250

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report MR 2023-05-02 AND authorizes an exemption to the marina fee for the Ontario Provincial Police for the temporary use of a marina slip at the Aus Hunt or Small Craft harbour during the 2023 season.

Carried.

9.3. FIR-2023-05-03 CACC Fire Agreement Renewal 2023-251

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report Number FIR-2023-05-03 AND approves entering into a new agreement with The Sudbury Central Ambulance Communications Centre to provide fire communication services for call taking and alerting AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

9.4. FIR-2023-05-04 Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grant 2023-252

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report Number FIR-2023-05-04 AND approves entering into a Funding Agreement with Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada to accept a donation for the purchase



of Bunker Gear AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Carried.

9.5. MPM-2023-05-10- Ontario Trillium Foundation – Grant Application 2023-253

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report MPM-2023-05-10 AND directs staff to apply to the Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant for improvements to the interior of the Park Centre including but not limited to, refinishing of hardwood flooring, installation of acoustic system and sound system, installation of window treatment, and lighting upgrades and possible kitchen appliances and plumbing and line painting at the outdoor rink and tennis court.

Carried.

9.6. CAO-2023-05-11- Expected Conduct Policy – deferred from the May 2, 2023
Council Meeting

2023-254

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CAO-2023-05-11 AND approves the adoption of an Expected Conduct Policy for the Township of Billings AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward.

Member	Vote
Councillor Cahill	N
Councillor Grogan	Y
Councillor Hunt	Υ
Deputy Mayor Hillyard	Y
Mayor Barker	Y

Carried.

10. Old Business

10.1. Council members are provided with an opportunity to discuss Old Business items not included in a staff report.

Council discussed updates on the following items:



- Capital and Operating Budget Update in progress
- Cyber Security information was received at FONOM, in progress
- Portable Toilet at the Sandy Beach operational and is on the list.
- o Strategic Plan Update in progress budget deliberations
- Share of POA as noted previously
- o Old Mill Waterline Project Update Bridge no new information

11. Correspondence Requiring Direction

11.1. At the Ontario Clean Water (OCWA) training session, OCWA offered to provide a tour of the water treatment plant for members of Council. During the training Council members in attendance indicated their willingness to tour the facility.

Upon Council direction, staff will work with the facility operator to coordinate a date. It is recommended due to the requirement for staff to be present that the tour be scheduled during the day. With the potential for a quorum of members of Council in attendance for a road tour, a special meeting of Council will be required with notice provided to the public.

2023-255

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby directs staff to coordinate a tour of the Kagawong Water Treatment Plant with the OCWA facility operator for Council to attend.

Carried.

11.2 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Delegation Requests The request for delegations for the AMO conference to meeting with Provincial Ministries has opened. Municipalities have until June 9, 2023 to submit their requests.

12. Information

- 12.1. MPAC Annual Report
- 12.2. Town of Orangeville- Bill 5- Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act
- 12.3. Gore Bay Provincial Offences Board Request for Support

2023-256

Moved by Cahill Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 12.

Carried.



13. Accounts for Payment

13.1. Accounts for Payment May 10, 2023

2023-267

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves, ratifies, and confirms the May 10, 2023 Accounts for Payment as presented.

Carried.

14. By-Laws and Agreements

14.1. 2023-36 Expected Conduct Policy

2023-268

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT By-Law 2023-36 being the Expected Conduct Policy By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 16th day of May, 2023.

Carried.

14.2. 2023-39 Fire Communications Agreement

2023-269

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT By-Law 2023-39 being the CACC Fire Communications Agreement By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 16th day of May, 2023.

Carried.

14.3. 2023-40 Marina Rates and Fees

2023-270

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT By-Law 2023-40 being the Marina Rates By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 16th day of May, 2023.

Carried.

14.4. 2023-41 Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Terms of Reference Amendment

2023-271

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT By-Law 2023-41 being the Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Terms of Reference Amendment (1) By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 16th day of May, 2023.

Carried.



14.5. 2023-42 Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Funding Agreement 2023-272

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT By-Law 2023-42 being Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Funding Agreement By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 16th day of May, 2023.

Carried.

15. Notice of Motions

15.1. Written Legal Advice or Opinion – Approval was given during the May 2nd, 2023 Regular Council Meeting to bring the following motion forward. 2023-273

Moved by Cahill Seconded by Grogan

WHEREAS the Township of Billings (Township) occasionally seeks advice or opinions from its solicitor;

AND WHEREAS it is prudent and good business practice to obtain solicitor advice or solicitor opinion in writing;

AND WHEREAS written advice or opinions are required in order to make a claim against a solicitor's firm's professional insurance in the event erroneous advice or an erroneous opinion is provided to the Township and the Township suffers a loss as a result of this erroneous advice or erroneous opinion;

NOW THEREFORE Council hereby directs Staff, going forward, to obtain solicitor advice or opinions in writing, in the form of an email or a letter. Verbal advice or opinion can be obtained on urgent matters with the understanding that the Township's solicitor will forward his/her written advice or opinion to the Township in due course as soon as he/she is able to.

Member	Vote
Councillor Cahill	Y
Councillor Grogan	N
Councillor Hunt	N
Deputy Mayor Hillyard	N
Mayor Barker	N

Defeated.

16. Confirmatory By-Law



16.1. By-Law No. 2023-42 Being the May 16th, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law 2023-274

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard THAT By-Law No. 2023-42 being the May 16th, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 16th day of May, 2023. Carried.

17. Adjournment

17.1. Motion to Adjourn

2023-275

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby adjourns at 8:51p.m.

Carried.

Mayor Bryan Barker

CAO/Clerk Emily Dance