



The Corporation of the Township of Billings

Council Meeting Minutes

March 21st, 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
Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk
Arthur Moran, By-Law Enforcement Officer / H&S

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda

2023-114

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves the Agenda as amended to include under item 9, email from Moray Watson and under item 6. Library Board Meeting minutes.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Adoption of Minutes

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

4.1 Regular Council Meeting – March 7th, 2023

2023-115

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the March 7th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes adopted as presented.

Carried.



5. Delegation

5.1. Short Term Accommodation Rental By-Law: Bill Concannon

Council received a verbal delegation from Bill Concannon regarding the validity of the Short-Term Accommodation Rental By-Law. Mr. Concannon expressed concerns related to the STAR By-Law.

Mayor Barker confirmed that Mr. Concannon's questions detailed in his delegation information email will be answered in letter form and made available at an upcoming meeting.

6. Committee Reports

6.1. Members of Council are provided with an opportunity to report on Committee and Board meetings.

6.1.1. Provincial Offences Authority Board of Management Minutes – March 7, 2023

6.1.2. Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) Minutes – March 8, 2023

6.1.3. Climate Action Committee Minutes – February 15, 2023

6.1.4. Library Board Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2023

2023-116

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 6, Committee Reports as amended and provided verbally.

Carried.

Councillor Hunt attended a Billings Library Board Meeting on March 14, 2023 and provided and provided a brief update.

Councillor Grogan attended a Climate Action Committee Meeting on March 15, 2023 and provided and provided a brief update.

Deputy Mayor Hillyard attended a Parks, Recreation and Wellness Committee Meeting on March 6, 2023 and provided a brief update.

7. Staff Reports

7.1. BE-2023-03-05- Exotic Pet By-Law Amendment

2023-117

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt



THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report Number BE-2023-03-05 AND authorizes amending the Exotic Animals By-Law for consistency with the Backyard Chicken By-Law AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward.

Carried.

7.2. TR-2023-03-05 –Statement of Council Remuneration and Expenses – 2022
2023-118

The Clerk explained that report included in the agenda package contained incorrect totals for Deputy Mayor Hillyard, Councillor Grogan and Councillor Cahill. The Clerk will make the necessary corrections and update the chart accordingly.

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for Information Report TR-2023-03-05.

Carried.

7.3. CAO-2023-03-10 Summer Students
2023-119

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CAO-2023-03-10.

Carried.

7.4. CLK-2023-03-07 Parks, Recreation and Wellness Committee Recommendations
2023-120

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CLK-2023-03-07 AND authorizes pre-budget approval for the request of the Parks, Recreation and Wellness Committee's of \$500 to host an Easter Egg Hunt Event on Saturday April 8th, 2023.

Carried.

2023-121

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives the recommendation from the Parks, Recreation and Wellness Committee to complete a review of the water and electrical services at the Park Centre to accommodate the needs of the Kagawong Outdoor Rink during budget deliberations.



Carried.

7.5. CLK-2023-03-08 Ice Resurfacers
2023-122

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CLK-2023-03-08 AND directs staff to work with the outdoor rink volunteer coordinator to research alternative options for an ice resurfacers at the Kagawong Outdoor Rink.

Carried.

8. Correspondence Requiring Direction

8.1. Feedback Regarding the Interim Strategic Plan Priorities – Barb Erskine
2023-123

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information the email from Barb Erskine dated March 6th, 2023 AND thanks Ms. Erskine for her input.

Carried.

9. Information

9.1. 2023 Provincial Offences Authority (POA) Operations Budget

9.2. GoNORTH Video

9.3. Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Amendments - Stakeholder
Notification - March 2023

9.4. Turkey Concern Follow-Up Response

9.5. Email Received on March 20th, 2023 - Moray Watson

2023-124

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 9.

Carried.

10. Accounts for Payment

10.1. Accounts for Payment for March 16, 2023

2023-125

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves, ratifies, and confirms the March 16, 2023 Accounts for Payment as presented.

Carried.



11. By-Laws and Agreements

- 11.1. By-Law 2023-20 Being the Award Old Mill Road Watermain Upgrade Tender By-Law
2023-126

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Grogan

THAT By-Law No. 2023-20, being a By-law to award the tender for the Old Mill Road watermain upgrades, be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 21st day of March, 2023.

Carried.

- 11.2. By-Law No. 2023- 21 Being an Amendment to the Backyard Chicken By-Law (1)
2023-127

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT By-Law No. 2023-21, being a By-law to amend the backyard chicken by-law (1), be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 21st day of March, 2023.

Carried.

- 11.3. By-Law No. 2023-22 Being and Amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Climate Action Committee By-Law (1)
2023-128

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Cahill

THAT By-Law No. 2023-22, being a By-law to amend the terms of reference for the Climate Action Committee, be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 21st day of March, 2023.

Carried.

12. Notice of Motions

- 12.1. Waste Management Solutions for Manitoulin Island – *Councillor Vince Grogan provided notice at the March 7, 2023 Council meeting regarding this motion.*

2023-129

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Billings is committed to protecting our environment;

AND WHEREAS a priority of the Township of Billings Strategic Plan is to continue to improve municipal waste site efficiency including waste diversion and recycling;



AND WHEREAS the Township of Billings Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP) includes taking action on waste management and reducing overall consumption and landfilling;

AND WHEREAS effective waste management solutions involve all Municipalities and First Nations on Manitoulin Island;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to engage in a discussion with our neighbouring island municipalities and First Nations to have an open discussion on joint waste management solutions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS hereby directs staff to invite our neighbouring island municipalities and First Nations to participate in a round table discussion as a first step on opening up the conversation for joint waste management solutions for Manitoulin Island.

Carried.

- 12.2. Hybrid Meetings- *Councillor Jim Cahill provided notice at the March 7, 2023 Council meeting regarding this motion.*

2023-130

Moved by Cahill Seconded by Grogan

WHEREAS the Township of Billings holds in-person Council Meetings;

AND WHEREAS through the pandemic members of the public could participate in Council Meetings virtually;

AND WHEREAS hosting broadcasted or hybrid Council Meetings will allow members of the public with the opportunity to participate in Council Meetings virtually;

NOW THEREFORE Council hereby directs Staff to bring forward a report, including estimated costs, on hosting broadcasted or hybrid meetings.

Carried.

- 12.3. Motion for Reconsideration – Delegation of Authority to Issue Licenses (STAR, Trailer, Backyards Chicken) –*Deputy Mayor Hillyard provided written notice to the Clerk prior to the agenda publication deadline.*

2023-131

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Billings in a recorded vote at the March 7, 2023 Council Meeting Defeated Motion 2023-105 Delegating the CAO/Clerk with the authority to issue STAR Licences, Trailer Permits and Backyard Chicken Licenses;



AND WHEREAS upon further review of the documents and with new information, and being on the prevailing side of the motion request the motion be reconsidered at the next meeting of Council

Carried.

13. Closed Session

13.1. Motion to move to Closed Session

2023-132

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby moves into Closed Session pursuant to [s. 239(2)(b)] Personal matters about an identifiable individual – Volunteer Fire Fighter Application AND FURTHER returns to open session upon completion.

Carried.

14. Report out of Closed Session

2023-137

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Cahill

THAT Mayor Barker reported a closed meeting was held where direction was given to staff regarding an identifiable individual with respect to a Volunteer Fire Fighter Application.

Carried.

2023-138

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard

THAT Council for the Township of Billings hereby appoints Colin Marshall to the Township of Billings Volunteer Fire Department.

Carried.

15. Confirmatory By-Law

15.1. By-Law No. 2023-23 Being the March 21st, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law 2023-139

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Cahill

THAT By-Law No. 2023-23 being the March 21st, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 21st day of March, 2023.

Carried.

16. Adjournment

16.1. Motion to Adjourn



2023-140

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby adjourns at 8:13p.m.

Carried.



Mayor Bryan Barker



CAO/Clerk Emily Dance