



The Corporation of the Township of Billings

Council Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Kagawong Park Centre

Council

Bryan Barker, Mayor

David Hillyard, Deputy Mayor

Vince Grogan, Councillor

Ian Anderson, Councillor

Michael Hunt, Councillor

Staff

Veronique Dion, CAO/Clerk

Todd Gordon, Deputy CAO/Municipal Project Manager

Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barker called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

2.1. Confirm approval of the agenda.

2024-288

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Anderson

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

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 – July 2, 2024

2024-289

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Anderson

THAT the July 2nd, 2024 Regular Council Meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.



5. Delegation

None.

6. Committee Reports

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

Councillor Hunt provided a verbal update on the July Museum Committee Meeting.

Deputy Mayor Hillyard provided a verbal update on the Show and Shine Event sponsored by the Parks, Recreation and Wellness Committee.

Councillor Grogan provided a verbal update on the July Island Wide Waste Committee Meeting.

2024-290

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby receives for information all items mentioned in Section 6.

Carried.

7. Staff Reports

7.1. BP-2024-07-05 Easement Agreement 652 Lakeshore Road - Robinson Ciesielski

2024- 291

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report BP-2024-07-05 AND authorizes entering into an easement agreement with the owners of 652 Lakeshore Road for the installation of a waterline under Lakeshore Road abutting 652 Lakeshore Road AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward.

Carried.

7.2. MPM-2024-07-10 Asset Management

2024- 292

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Anderson

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report MPM-2024-07-10; AND FURTHER approves acceptance of the quotation from PSD Citywide Inc.in the amount of \$84,755.00, plus HST, for the provision of consulting services in completing an



updated and 2025 compliant Asset Management Plan, including Building Condition Assessments (BCAs).

Carried.

7.3. MPM-2024-07-11 Notice of Motion, Mayor Barker, Mud Creek Road Access Review 2024-293

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report MPM-2024-07-11 AND FURTHER directs staff to review and report on options for improving access to Mud Creek Road properties.

Carried.

7.4. MPM-2024-07-12 Notice of Motion, Mayor Barker, Lakeshore Road Structural Review 2024-294

Moved by Anderson Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report MPM-2024-07-12 AND FURTHER directs staff to research options to complete a structural review of Lakeshore Road.

Carried.

7.5. CAO-2024-07-10 Notice of Motion, Deputy Mayor Hillyard, Speed Reduction 2024- 295

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby direct staff to draft a By-Law for the speed reduction on the following roads Pleasant Valley Road, 8th Concession, 10th Concession, Fraser Road, 14th Concession and Newburn Road from the unposted speed limit of 80 km per hour to a posted speed reduction of 50 km per hour and secondly that the Roads department supervisor be directed to have staff install new posted speed signs of 50/km an hour as soon as possible. And that the new speed reduction on agriculture roads be advertised in the local news paper and on all social media platforms to show our support of our agriculture community in support of safer roads as identified last July 2023 by the Ontario Federation of Agriculture slow moving vehicle campaign.

Defeated.

2024-296

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Grogan



THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby directs staff to complete a review of all roads in the Township of Billings in line with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Community Safety and the Strategic Plan.

Carried.

8. Correspondence Requiring Direction

8.1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)/Ontario Medical Association (OMA)
Joint Health Resolution Campaign
2024- 297

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Anderson

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years; and

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, and paramedicine.

WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Billings urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the Township of Billings and



Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

Carried.

9. Information

None.

10. Accounts For Payment

10.1. Accounts for Payment – June 26, 2024
2024-298

Moved by Anderson Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby ratifies and confirms the accounts for payment dated June 26th, 2024.

Carried.

11. By-Laws and Agreements

11.1. 2024-44 Canada Community Building Fund Agreement
2024-299

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Anderson

THAT By-Law No. 2024-44 Being the Canada Community Building Fund Agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) be read a first, second, third time and finally passed this 16th day of July, 2024.

Carried.

12. Notice of Motion

None.

13. Closed Session

2024-300

Moved by Anderson Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby moves into Closed Session pursuant to [s. 239(3.1)] Educating or training members of the council, local board or committee – Procedural By-Law AND [s. 239(2)(k)] A position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to negotiations – Cleaning Contract AND FURTHER returns to open session upon completion.

Carried.

14. Report out of Closed Session

2024- 306



Moved by Anderson Seconded by Grogan

THAT Mayor Barker reported a closed meeting was held for educating or training members of Council – Procedural By-Law review and Council reviewed the Cleaning Contract with Lakeshore Maintenance.

Carried.

15. Confirmatory By-Law

15.1. By-Law No. 2024-45 Being the July 16th, 2024 Confirmatory By-Law
2024-307

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Anderson

THAT By-Law No. 2024-45 Being the July 16th, 2024 Confirmatory By-Law be read a first, second, third time and finally passed this 16th day of July, 2024.

Carried.


16. Adjournment

16.1. Motion to Adjourn
2024- 308

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby adjourn at 9:20 p.m.

Carried.



Mayor Bryan Barker



CAO/Clerk Véronique Dion