



The Corporation of the Township of Billings
Council Meeting Minutes
December 19th, 2023 7:00 p.m.
Virtual

Council

Bryan Barker, Mayor
David Hillyard, Deputy Mayor
Vince Grogan, Councillor
Michael Hunt, Councillor

Staff

Emily Dance, CAO/Clerk
Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk
Todd Gordon, Municipal Project Manager

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.

2023-600

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

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 – December 5th, 2023

4.2. Special Council Meeting – December 12th, 2023

2023-601

Moved by Hunt Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the December 5th, 2023, Regular Council Meeting minutes AND the December 12th Special Council Meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried.



5. Delegation – 2022 Audited Financial Statement

- 5.1. Corey Houle, CPA, CA, Principal, and Ryan Filipovic, CPA, Senior Manager from Freelandt Caldwell Reilly LLP Chartered Professional Accountants will be presenting the Township of Billings 2022 Audited Financial Statements.

Mayor Barker invited the auditors from Freelandt Caldwell Reilly, Corey Houle and Ryan Filipovic to present the Township of Billings 2022 Audited Financial Statements. The draft financial statement is included in the agenda package.

2023-602

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves the 2022 Township of Billings Audited Financial Statements AND directs staff to post the consolidated statements on the municipal website.

Carried.

6. Committee Reports

- 6.1. Members of Council are provided with an opportunity to report on Committee and Board meetings.
- 6.2. Manitoulin Planning Board Minutes – November 29, 2023

2023-603

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Grogan

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

Carried.

7. Correspondence Requiring Direction

- 7.1. Resignation, Councillor Jim Cahill

On December 14, 2023, Councillor Jim Cahill provided notification to the Mayor and CAO/Clerk of his immediate resignation.

2023-604

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby accepts the resignation of Jim Cahill from the Township of Billings Council.

Carried.

8. Staff Reports

- 8.1. CLK-2023-12-30 – Declare Councillor Seat Vacant
2023-605



Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

WHEREAS Jim Cahill was elected as Councillor for the Township of Billings for the 2022-2024 term of Council; AND WHEREAS Councillor Cahill resigned from Council effective December 14, 2023; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the office of a member of Council be declared vacant in accordance with Section 262 (1) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001. C.25

Carried.

8.2. CLK-2023-12-31 – Options to fill vacant seat of Council
2023-606

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report CLK-2023-12-31 AND directs staff to proceed with Option 1 to fill the vacant seat of a member of Council.

Recorded Vote:

Grogan: Y

Hillyard: N

Hunt: Y

Barker: Y

Carried.

2023-607

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves the appoint as an eligible elector to fill a vacancy procedure as presented AND FURTHER confirms the Council Appointment meeting to be held on February 6, 2024.

Carried.

8.3. MPM-2023-12- 31 - 91 Main Kagawong Fitness Centre
2023-608

Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Grogan

THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves Report MPM-2023-12-31 AND Further, directs staff to research and provide Council with:

1. A more detailed staff-level facility status report on 91 Main St.
2. A Class C Estimate on repairs necessary to restore 91 Main Street to use as a gym (lower) and useable rental space (upper).

Carried.

9. Information



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- 9.1. Public Health Sudbury and Districts Greater Sudbury Community Leaders United in Address Drug Toxicity Harms and Deaths
 - 9.2. New Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer appointed for Public Health Sudbury & Districts
 - 9.3. Public Health Roles and Responsibilities in Emergency Response
 - 9.4. Public Health Roles and Responsibilities 2023
 - 9.5. Resolution – Town of Plympton-Wyoming and Western Warden Caucus – Support to Revoke Strong Mayor Powers and Increase in the Leave to Construct Threshold
 - 9.6. Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA) Correspondence December 12, 2023
2023-609
Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard
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 to December 8, 2023
2023-610
Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan
THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby approves, ratifies, and confirms the December 8, 2023 Accounts for Payment as presented.

Carried.

11. By-Laws and Agreements

- 11.1. 2023-116 Asset Retirement Obligations Policy
Council requested clarification on 5.3.3 related to the debenture rate as obtained periodically from Infrastructure Ontario vs other commercial rates as well as how the policy relates to the landfill obligations.

Debenture rate- with the subsequent measurement of asset retirement obligations, the idea is to use the best estimate of the appropriate discount rate. This discount rate reflects the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability of the asset retirement obligation. Landfill – there are current regulation in place regarding reporting for landfill closure obligations, the new regulation will take into account landfill for the 2022 audit.

2023-611

Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hillyard



THAT By-Law No. 2023-116 being the Asset Retirement Obligations Policy be read a first, second, and third time and finally passed this 19th day of December, 2023
Carried.

11.2. 2023-117 Appoint Harmony Hancock as Director of Finance / Treasurer
2023-612
Moved by Hillyard Seconded by Grogan
THAT By-Law No. 2023-117 being the Appoint Harmony Hancock as Director of Finance / Treasurer be read a first, second, and third time and finally passed this 19th day of December, 2023

Carried.

12. Notice of Motions

None.

13. Closed Session

None.

14. Confirmatory By-Law


14.1. By-Law No. 2023-118 Being the December 19th, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law
2023-613
Moved by Grogan Seconded by Hunt
THAT By-Law No. 2023-118 being the December 19th, 2023 Confirmatory By-Law be read a first, second and third time AND finally passed this 19th day of December, 2023.

Carried.

15. Adjournment

15.1. Motion to Adjourn
2023-614
Moved by Hunt Seconded by Grogan
THAT the Township of Billings Council hereby adjourns at 8:30 p.m.

Carried.



Mayor Bryan Barker



CAO/Clerk Emily Dance