

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF HILTON BEACH

MINUTES

Council Meeting – May 13, 2015

7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers, Hilton Beach Municipal Office
3100 Bowker Street, Hilton Beach, Ontario

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Hope and Councillors Davey, Duma, Moore and Wells.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

DELEGATIONS

Robert Kerr, Harold Daynard, Charles Nelson re: Lion's Club

Robert Kerr provided the following history of the St. Joseph Island Lion's Club. It was chartered in 1972 – 43 years ago. There are five chartered members remaining in the club with three being active members. There are presently 36 active members. The age range has increased substantially over that period of time with most members now being between 60 and 80. They have completed a broad range of work over this period of time including the following:

- Playgrounds have been bought, built and installed;
- Developed the first recycling program in the North Shore;
- Tennis court;
- Argon laser for ophthalmology department with \$100,000 contributed from St. Joseph Island and the Sault and \$100,000 being contributed by Lion's Canada;
- Hilton Beach Community Hall – This was a large project and they fundraised at that time with Nevadas and Bingos. OLG has made the rules much more restrictive now so it is much more difficult to raise funds.
- Algoma Bursary Fund – for a CASS student from St. Joseph Island who will be going onto Algoma University;
- Hospital donations;
- Food Bank donations;
- Dog Guides – there are 8 in the district, two of which are specifically for persons with Autism;
- Other projects in the area.

Their consistent revenue source now is through the monthly Pancake Breakfasts that are held eleven times per year. Without this, they may not exist as they do depend on it. Mr. Kerr asked that if there are any changes that may occur at the Community Hall that they would like to assist with the changes and be provided with advance notice.

Charles Nelson provided some information on the background of the Community Hall. He recalls being at a wedding reception and realizing that the old hall was not adequate. He asked that the Lion's participate in fundraising so that the Hall could be enlarged and improved. A Committee was formed. The cost was supposed to be \$274,000 but ended up costing \$410,000. Loans were made from 13 people on a handshake. The preliminary meetings were held in 1987. Stevens Brothers were the contractors and there were many volunteers involved.

Other information provided regarding the Hilton Hall Expansion includes:

- The old hall was totally inaccessible for those with mobility problems. Those with walkers who did attempt to attend an event were often carried in.
- The one classroom is now the bar and front area usually used for serving food. The second classroom is now the washroom area. Washrooms were in the basement.
- The project was initiated by the Lion's Club and a cooperative project of the Lion's Club, the Village of Hilton Beach and the Township of Hilton.
- There were countless hours of labour over many years by many to raise the funds before, during and after construction. People from all over the Island, the Sault and summer residents were involved.
- There was no municipal funding – one grant and fundraising covered the costs;
- The Committee was dependent on 13 loans secured by the word of the Committee.
- Construction was completed in June of 1990. There was a major celebration. Fundraising continued after that until the loans were paid in full in 1997.

- Because of their critical and enormous contribution to the project, the Lion's Club was allocated a small room and a closet in the lower level as their office and storage room. The Lion's Club continues to support the hall and have made various donations over the years such as the recent upgrades to the windows and flooring. There was no formal agreement with the Club for the use of the facilities.
- The Lion's Club was instrumental in the Hall being built as it now exists. They continue to support the Village.

Councillor Davey asked if they are requesting an agreement be prepared for continued use of the Hall. Mr. Kerr indicated that they would like to be given a chance to know what is happening with the Hall in advance of any changes so that they would be in a position to deal with their needs. They have their Lion's Den in the basement as well as one dinner meeting each month, their pancake breakfasts, and meeting room in the basement. They continue to contribute – in recent years they have made substantial donations towards the acoustics, tile replacement and windows.

Mayor Hope advised that a written agreement would be discussed. In the meantime, the present arrangements will continue and the Village will keep the Club in the loop. The Village is in the process of discussing policy changes and what may have to be done because of financial issues.

Donna Schell re: Discharge of firearms for Memorial Gathering

Donna Schell requested permission to discharge up to four firearms on June 13 at the rear of the Hilton Community Hall near the conclusion of the memorial gathering for her late husband. The firearms will only be handled by Donna and she will provide notice to the OPP in advance. Safety precautions will be taken at all times.

15-61 Moved by Councillor Davey

Seconded by Councillor Wells

That permission be granted to Donna Schell to discharge up to four firearms on June 13, 2015 at the rear of the Hilton Community Hall at the conclusion of her husband's Memorial Gathering subject to no firearm being loaded with a projectile.

CARRIED.

Roy Broadhagen re: condition of Cenotaph

Mr. Broadhagen advised Council that there are concerns regarding the concrete on the Cenotaph if they try to retrieve the letters that were possibly placed in the Cenotaph almost 100 years ago. Ron LeBlanc from Tulloch Engineering has taken a look at the concrete and feels that it would be repairable. He advised that Veterans' Affairs does provide 50% grants for this type of work up to \$25,000. They still require further information about ownership. He is not asking for any money yet. Tulloch Engineering can use an echo sounding machine/camera to determine where the cavity is located. They would then drill a hole to find out if there are any letters there. It was noted that the Cenotaph is solid and there is no danger at this time.

Mayor Hope thanked Mr. Broadhagen for his ongoing efforts and asked that the Village be advised of any actions that are being considered.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Council Meeting minutes of April 8, 2015

15-62 Moved by Councillor Moore

Seconded by Councillor Duma

THAT the minutes of the Council meeting of April 8, 2015, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

2. Joint Council Meeting minutes of April 29, 2015 – Township of Hilton/Village of Hilton Beach

15-63 Moved by Councillor Duma

Seconded by Councillor Davey

THAT the minutes of the Joint Council meeting with the Township of Hilton of April 29, 2015, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

VOUCHERS

1. Total Voucher for the month of April in the amount of \$66,954.73

Locks should be placed on the thermostats in the Community Hall. In the meantime, K. Silver is to be requested to check them whenever she is in the building to ensure that they are not set too high or too low.

- 15-64 Moved by Councillor Wells
Moved by Councillor Moore
THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council authorize the payment of Voucher #15-5 in the amount of \$66,954.43.

CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

1. Report from Clerk-Treasurer.

- 15-65 Moved by Councillor Davey
Seconded by Councillor Moore
THAT the request from Jennifer Kottick for ditching in front of her property be denied as it is required for proper drainage.

CARRIED.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES/BOARDS

1. Hilton Beach Recreation Committee Minutes of April 20, 2015

It was noted that the Committee would like to do bingo again for Community Night and they noted that volunteers are needed for all of the events. They will be serving lunch for the Marina Launch. The Community Yard Sale is a new event that is being planned for June 27, 2015 by the Committee.

- 15-66 Moved by Councillor Wells
Seconded by Councillor Duma
THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee Meeting minutes of April 20 and May 11, 2015, be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED.

2. Hilton Union Public Library Board Minutes of April 13, 2015

A meeting is to be scheduled on May 19, 2015 with the Library Board and Council to discuss their requirements.

- 15-67 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Wells
THAT the minutes of the Hilton Union Public Library Board of April 13, 2015, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

3. Algoma Public Health Board Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2015

It was noted that the Health Board will be providing 'No Smoking' signs for the Village parks. This is to comply with new provincial regulations.

- 15-68 Moved by Councillor Davey
Seconded by Councillor Wells
THAT the minutes of the Algoma Public Health Board meeting of March 18, 2015, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Request for donation by the St. Joseph Island Horticultural Society to support planting work done in the Village

15-69 Moved by Councillor Duma

Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT a donation in the amount of \$250.00 be approved for the St. Joseph Island Horticultural Society for the year 2015.

CARRIED.

2. Letter and Budget from Chairperson Lavera Crack, St. Joseph Island Museum

15-70 Moved by Councillor Moore

Seconded by Councillor Wells

THAT the proposed 2015 budget of the St. Joseph Island Museum Board, be accepted; and further that the allocation for the Village of Hilton Beach in the amount of \$1,492.40, be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

3. E-mail from Clerk Valerie Obarymskyj, Township of Hilton re: 2015 Library Budget

15-71 Moved by Councillor Davey

Seconded by Councillor Wells

THAT the Agreement between the Village of Hilton Beach and the Township of Hilton be amended to provide that ownership of the books be considered a capital asset of both municipalities to be divided equally.

CARRIED.

4. Letter from Principal Marcy Bell, Central Algoma Secondary School re: request for donation towards Graduation Exercise

15-72 Moved by Councillor Moore

Seconded by Councillor Davey

THAT \$60.00 be donated towards the 2015 Graduation Exercise of the Central Algoma Secondary School.

CARRIED.

5. Letter from Tulloch Engineering re: Cost increase for Building Inspection Services

15-73 Moved by Councillor Duma

Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the increase in rates for the Building Inspection Services provided by Tulloch Engineering, be accepted.

CARRIED.

6. Letter from Chris Hore, Tilt'n Hilton Steakhouse and Beverage Company re: request for Council approval to temporarily expand their liquor license for the evening of Hilton Beach Community Night on August 1, 2015

15-74 Moved by Councillor Davey

Seconded by Councillor Wells

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council has no objection to the request from Chris Hore, Tilt'n Hilton Steakhouse and Beverage Company to temporarily expand their liquor license for the evening of the Hilton Beach Community Night on August 1, 2015.

CARRIED.

7. Request for consideration of fibre optic cable installation for the Village

Councillor Wells advised that the fibre optics has only been placed in Richard's Landing. Individuals within 5 km. are normally able to get the signal. There is an echo on lines that are further away than 5 km. If filters are taken off, they would likely get poor phone service but may be able to access the fibre optics within 8 km. at the most. It is not likely that any other fibre optics will be installed in this area now that Bell has the towers.

8. E-mail from Jeff St. Pierre, OCWA re: installation of keypad display for the Hilton Beach Municipal Water Control System

It was noted that the work is underway on the installation of the keypad system.

9. Letter from Clerk Valerie Obarymskyi, Township of Hilton re: 'Senior of the Year' recipient

15-75 Moved by Councillor Duma

Seconded by Councillor Davey

THAT Donna Lambert be named "Senior of the Year" for the Village of Hilton Beach for the year 2015 in appreciation of all her volunteer work that has been done for the benefit of the community.

CARRIED.

It was noted that a list should be kept of persons named 'Senior of the Year' and a plaque should be considered for the Council Chambers.

10. Letter from MPP Michael Mantha, Algoma-Manitoulin re: nominations for Senior Achievement Awards
11. E-mail from Fraser Adams, Fire Chief, Township of St. Joseph re: confirmation of dispatch change for Township of St. Joseph and Hilton and Village of Hilton Beach
12. E-mail from Minister of Energy Hon. Bob Chiarelli re: intention to proceed with Initial Public Offering of shares in Hydro One Inc. and merging Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc. with three other local distribution companies.
13. Letter from MPP Sylvia Jones, Dufferin-Caledon re: private member's bill, Bill 36 – Respecting Private Property Act
14. Letter from MPP Lisa Thompson, Huron-Bruce re: Bill 66: Great lakes Protection Act, 2015 – request for feedback

Items #10 – 14 were received for information.

15. E-mail from the Monarchist League of Canada re: request to organize a simple civic ceremony on September 9 the mark The Queen's reign, longest in modern history

A portrait of the Queen is to be ordered for placement in the Council Chambers.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Landfill Changes

In addition to the proposals for change at the Landfill, the following items are to be implemented:

- Clear bags are to be required effective January 1, 2016 and signs are to be placed in the landfill;
- The locks are to be changed and Landfill Agreements will be required for approved key holders;
- Signs are to be ordered;
- The site is to be monitored by video camera and a sign is to be posted;
- One storage building is to be demolished;
- Arrangements are to be made for the removal of metal.

2. Garbage Collection/Landfill Attendant

An ad is to be placed in the Island Clippings for Garbage Collection and Landfill Attendants.

3. Logo Contest

Councillor Duma declared a pecuniary interest regarding the Logo contest as his wife has submitted a logo.

It was agreed that the logo submitted by Patricia Grisales is the winner of the contest and is to be used as the new logo for the Village.

4. Marina

The recommendations made by Marina Manager John Walmsley regarding the gas tanks, no swimming signs and the gas rate, be approved.

MAYOR/COUNCILLOR ITEMS

1. The Hilton Beach Marina sign is to be re-painted;
2. Councillor Moore advised that the Recreation Committee would like to develop a Facebook page as part of the promotion of the Village and their events. It was agreed that this could proceed.
3. The minutes are to include the need for volunteers for the various Village events. Community hours for students are also available if they wish to work at the events.
4. The Hilton Yard Sale will proceed and will include the Marina.
5. The codes and locks are to be changed at the marina.
6. The rung on the ladder at the park next to the Tilt'n Hilton is to be repaired;
7. The toilet seat at the Community Hall is to be replaced;
8. Signs are to be placed on the Marina building indicating public washrooms;
9. The wi-fi is to be reviewed to ensure that it works better this year.
10. The rates on laundry and ice are to be increased.
11. Employees will be at the Marina for the launch and will be required to monitor the barricades and to ensure that safety equipment and vests are being worn.
12. The Recreation Committee is considering the purchase of bike racks.
13. The water pipe from the big cistern is sticking up and needs to be removed.

CLOSED MEETING

- Identifiable individuals

15-76 Moved by Councillor Davey
Seconded by Councillor Wells

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council move into a closed meeting to consider the following subject matter: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED.

15-77 Moved by Councillor Davey
Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council reconvene to the open meeting.

CARRIED.

BY-LAW

1. By-law No. 1114, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings and resolutions of Hilton Beach Council which were adopted up to and including May 13, 2015.

15-78 Moved by Councillor Duma
Seconded by Councillor Wells

THAT By-law No. 1114, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings and resolutions of Hilton Beach Council which were adopted up to and including May 13, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

15-79 Moved by Councillor Duma
Seconded by Councillor Davey

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council adjourn to meet again on June 10, 2015.

CARRIED.

Mayor Robert Hope

Clerk Peggy Cramp