

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF HILTON BEACH

MINUTES

Council Meeting – February 8, 2017

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 Moore, Wells (9:15 p.m.), Bailey Meeks and Shaughnessy.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC MEETING

1. Community Safety Zone

No one was present to provide further input into the proposed Community Safety Zone. An e-mail was received from Kris Desjardin suggesting that the Zone be extended to Cherry Street as there is a sharp corner and it is also busy to pedestrians on foot, bikes and walking dogs to the lake. Council agreed to include the extension to Cherry Street in its submission to the Ministry of Transportation.

DELEGATIONS

1. Jim Waycik re: Historical Signage

Mr. Waycik advised that the Historical Society has been working on historic signs throughout the island and want to do more. He has come to the meeting to obtain any suggestions and to make sure that Council members are pleased with the work that they have done to date. They have refurbished and reinstalled 35 signs at a cost of \$100 per sign which they have raised on their own. There are 85 sites identified so they have 55 more signs to go. The posts were donated by the snowmobile club. Their primary goal is to complete all of the signs. They may require additional funds but they are trying to obtain grants. They are trying to develop a historical legacy but do not want the signs to be a liability. They are also considering a historical walking map. They have included an area to hang flower pots on some of the signage. Mr. Waycik was thanked for the work they have done and Council was very supportive of their plans.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Council Meeting minutes of January 11, 2017

17-13 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy

Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks

THAT the minutes of the Council meeting of January 11, 2017, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

VOUCHERS

1. Total Voucher for the month of January, 2017 in the amount of \$107,355.32

The workshop is to be checked to ensure that the heat is being lowered over the winter months to reduce hydro costs.

In addition to employee payroll and remittances and miscellaneous items, the following items were part of the voucher expenditures: Algoma Power Inc. - \$6,546.35; Township of Hilton – roads/landfill - \$3,125.00; Township of Hilton – 2nd half for Fire Dept. - \$13,469.00; Snow plowing parking lots - \$5,247.64; Bell Canada - \$879.07; Ontario Clean Water Agency – additional services - \$3,014.95; McDougall Energy – propane - \$1,153.87; Minister of Finance – OPP - \$2,907.55; MPAC – first quarter - \$1,742.40; Algoma Insurance Brokers - \$37,749.24; Special Underwriting – OMEX – final assessment from 2014 - \$3,877.48; Municipal Waste & Recycling - \$2,599.00; Minister of Finance – marina lease - \$1,744.72; Ontario Clean Water Agency – Operating for water/sewer - \$8,876.42.

- 17-14 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Shaughnessy
THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council authorize the payment of Voucher#17-01 for January, 2017 in the amount of \$107,355.32.

CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

1. Report from Clerk-Treasurer

- 17-15 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
Seconded by Councillor Moore
THAT the current system for voting in a municipal election be continued for the 2018 election for the Village of Hilton Beach; and that the option to use a ranked ballot system not be implemented.

CARRIED.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES/BOARDS

1. Hilton Union Public Library – December 2016 Financial Report

- 17-16 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy
Seconded by Councillor Moore
THAT the Hilton Union Public Library financial report for December, 2016, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

2. Hilton Beach Recreation Committee – February 7, 2017

- 17-17 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
Seconded by Councillor Moore
THAT the minutes of the Hilton Beach Recreation Committee meeting of February 7, 2017, be adopted.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE (Council Action)

1. E-mail from Total Power re: generator repair

- 17-18 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy
Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks
THAT the quotation from Total Power for the replacement of the cooling system air bleed hose cap in the amount of \$517.23, be accepted.

CARRIED.

2. Letter from Algoma Public Health re: sodium exceedance in drinking water

- 17-19 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Shaughnessy
THAT a newsletter be sent to residents on the Village water system with the next water bill to advise that the concentration of sodium exceeds 20 mg/L which is not a health concern for most people but individuals on sodium-restricted diets may be affected by higher levels.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES/OTHER AGENCIES

1. E-mail from Algoma Public Health requesting support of their resolution to reject motions from the tobacco industry and/or its front groups and to call on the Ministry of Finance to raise tobacco excise taxes and enhance enforcement activities designed to reduce the presence of contraband tobacco in Ontario communities.

The proposed resolution from Algoma Public Health is to be brought forward to the next Council meeting for further discussion.

2. E-mail from the Township of Montague requesting support of their resolution to request that the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport and the Southern Ontario Library Service maintains funding for libraries for internet connectivity.

17-20 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy

Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council support the resolution from the Township of Montague requesting the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport and the Southern Ontario Library Service to maintain funding for libraries for internet connectivity.

CARRIED.

3. E-mail from Greater Napanee requesting support of their resolution to request the Minister of Education to initiate an immediate moratorium on the Accommodation Review Process until such time as the impacts on small rural communities can be studied.

17-21 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks

Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council support the resolution from Greater Napanee requesting the Minister of Education to initiate an immediate moratorium on the Accommodation Review Process until such time as a review of the above mentioned impacts on small rural communities can be studied, completed and the results and recommendation be considered.

CARRIED.

4. Letter from Hon. Peter Van Loan, MP requesting support of Bill C-323, a private member's bill to create a tax credit for restoration of historic places.

17-22 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy

Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council support Bill C-323, a private member's bill to create a tax credit for restoration of historic places.

CARRIED.

5. E-mail from New Tecumseth requesting support of their resolution to petition the Provincial Government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department Infrastructure as part of the Provincial Government's Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward.

17-23 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy

Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council support the resolution from New Tecumseth to petition the provincial government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department Infrastructure as part of the Provincial Government's Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE (RECEIVE AND FILE)

1. Letter from Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition regarding completion of watershed management plans.
2. Letter from Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs re: renewed community-focused Rural Economic Development (RED) program.
3. Notice of passing of a zoning by-law amendment (3827 Quarry Point Road)

The above 3 communications were received and filed.

4. Report from Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority re: proposed changes to the Blue Box steward fee setting methodology.

This report will be discussed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS**1. Landfill Operations and Maintenance Plan**

17-24 Moved by Councillor Moore

Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Landfill Operations and Maintenance Plan, be adopted.

CARRIED.

2. Planning Board Appointment

17-25 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy

Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks

THAT Mayor Robert Hope be appointed as the representative for the Village of Hilton Beach on the St. Joseph Island Planning Board for the year 2017; and further that Councillor Shirley Bailey Meeks be the Alternate representative.

CARRIED.

3. Other Board and Committee Appointments

The proposed by-law was reviewed and the changes are to be incorporated in an updated by-law.

4. Scheduling of Finance Meeting

A Finance meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2017 at 7 p.m. to discuss the first draft of the 2017 budget.

5. Hilton Union Library – tender

17-26 Moved by Councillor Moore

Seconded by Councillor Wells

THAT the quotation from Tom Desjardin Construction Ltd. be approved for the ceiling replacement; and that the Clerk advise the contractor accordingly and that tongue and groove be used rather than drywall for the ceiling with adjusted price to be given.

CARRIED.

6. Fire Hall – quotation

17-27 Moved by Councillor Wells

Seconded by Councillor Shaughnessy

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council accepts the January 20, 2017 quote submitted by Hunter Home Solutions in the amount of \$8,260.00 plus tax for specified firehall improvements.

CARRIED.

MAYOR/COUNCILLOR ITEMS

The following items were discussed:

- The concerns with the parking sign adjacent to the Dry Dock should be examined. Further discussion is required at a future meeting.
- There are problems with the plumbing at the library. A valve has been turned off to stop the running of water. The plumber is to repair it
- Someone from the Lion's Club should be trained to turn propane for the stove on and off, when they need it;
- Discussion is required regarding the coordination of the Poker Run and Community Night being held on the same day;
- Flag poles should be purchased for the Marina for the 150th Anniversary and larger flags should be purchased for each of the existing flag poles.
- An outboard motor will be purchased for the marina boat if a used one can be obtained at a reasonable price.
- Internet for the marina must be reviewed. There is a method to limit downloading of music, Netflix, etc. that should be implemented. A possibility is the use of additional hubs and/or repeaters.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

- 17-27 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
 Seconded by Councillor Moore
 THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council move into a closed meeting at 10:51 p.m. to consider the following subject matter: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR COUNCIL

- 17-28 Moved by Councillor Shaughnessy
 Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks
 THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council reconvene to the open meeting at 11:11 p.m.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED MEETING

- 17-29 Moved by Councillor Moore
 Seconded by Councillor Wells
 THAT the Treasurer proceed to Tax Sales for three properties in the event they do not provide a suitable payment arrangement; and further that water be turned off and/or the outstanding water/sewer arrears be transferred to the tax accounts for three properties in the event that they do not provide a suitable payment arrangement.

CARRIED.

BY-LAW

1. By-law No. 2017-02, being a By-law to establish Tax ratios for 2017

- 17-30 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
 Seconded by Councillor Shaughnessy
 THAT By-law No. 2017-02, being a By-law to establish Tax ratios for 2017, be given a FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 8th day of February, 2017.

CARRIED.

2. By-law No. 2017-03, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings and resolutions of Hilton Beach Council which were adopted up to and including the 8th day of February, 2017.


- 17-31 Moved by Councillor Wells
 Seconded by Councillor Moore
 THAT By-law No. 2017-03, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings and resolutions of Hilton Beach Council which were adopted up to and including the 8th day of February, 2017, be given a FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 8th day of February, 2017.

CARRIED.

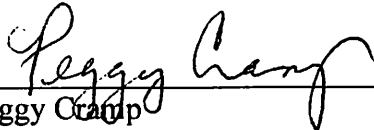
ADJOURNMENT

- 17-32 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
 Seconded by Councillor Moore
 THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council adjourn at 11:16 a.m. to meet again on March 8, 2017 or at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED.



 Mayor Robert Hope



 Clerk Peggy Cramp