

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
October 8, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Present: Absent:
Reeve: Rodney Wood
Councillors: Pat Garside
Dianne Holt
Robert Jerrard
Dave Leask
Road Superintendent: Lyn Garside
Clerk Treasurer: Valerie Obarymskyj

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2014-119
Seconded by Dianne Holt
Resolved that we do accept the Agenda as presented. * Carried *

Moved by Dave Leask 2014-120
Seconded by Dianne Holt
Resolved that we do approve the Minutes of the special meeting of September 22, 2014, as presented. * Carried *

Reeve Wood welcomed Maureen O'Shea, Nurse Practitioner (NP) and Colleen Orr, Registered Practical Nurse (RPN) from the North Channel Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic in Thessalon. The Clinic, one of twenty-five in Ontario, is funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and serves the residents (seasonal Canadian residents also) from Echo Bay to Iron Bridge. They work in conjunction with a full-time doctor and also partner with Algoma Public Health to offer programs such as smoke cessation, geriatric assistance and women's health clinics. The services they offer to orphaned patients include comprehensive primary care; chronic disease management; health promotion and disease prevention; treatment of common illness and injuries; complete lab service; ordering diagnostics; new prescriptions and renewals; social worker and counselling services. The Clinic has been in operation since January 2014 and is hoping to extend its services to St. Joseph Island where it might result in the enhancement, not replacement, of health care for Island residents. They asked Council to consider what the needs are of our residents and whether they are being fully satisfied. If there is a need not currently being met, Council was asked to communicate that to the Clinic so they would know in what areas they might be able to help. Council suggested the possibility of establishing a specific location on St. Joseph Island for periodic visits of NPs or RPNs and that the matter be discussed with neighbouring Island councils. Reeve Wood thanked both individuals for their time and presentation.

Council reviewed information from the firm contracted to replace the culvert on Highway 548 (U Line) where the Kaskawan Creek crosses the road. Information advising what the detour route would be was presented noting that the work might last as long as one month. The work is scheduled to take place mid-July to mid-September, 2015.

Councillors Holt and Jerrard noted the need to put up the trail markers along the M and N walking trail. The markers were ordered some time ago and will be erected this fall.

As a result of the response to the windstorm in September and subsequent power outage, Council noted certain things that should be improved upon. These included the possibility of purchasing a generator to provide lighting in the municipal office so that an emergency control group can function better; replacing the batteries in the emergency lights of the EXIT signs in the municipal building and addressing with Bell Canada the poor cell coverage for large areas within the Township.

Fire Board members of the Council discussed alternate dates for the Fire Board meeting that had originally been scheduled for October 7, 2014 but had to be cancelled. The last week of November 2014 was suggested with a recommended date of November 25, 2014.

Council reviewed a draft shoreroad allowance survey for a property on Hamilton Drive. It was noted that if the boundary of the shoreroad allowance was drawn perpendicular to the shoreline, the area to be purchased would encroach into the frontage of the neighbouring property. Council instructed that in this instance the lot lines should be continued to determine the area to be purchased.

Correspondence was received from AMO regarding possible changes to project eligibility with regard to Federal Gas Tax funding. In the past, the use of such funding for the replacement of municipal equipment (snowplows/graders/etc) might have been considered eligible because newer technology would significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions resulting in an environmental benefit. Now the focus of outcomes is on potential benefits to the community so the eligibility requirements of such equipment purchases may not be satisfied. A final decision is expected from Infrastructure Canada in the late fall.

The Clerk advised the Village of Hilton Beach Council would be discussing the Township’s request to waive tippage fees for the disposal of brush from the recent windstorm at its regular meeting on October 8, 2014.

Moved by Dave Leask 2014-121
Seconded by Dianne Holt

Resolved that we do authorize Valerie Obarymskyj to attend the Publisher Training workshop to be held in Desbarats on November 5, 2014. * Carried *

The Clerk advised that given all council positions for the Township of Hilton will be acclaimed in the upcoming municipal election, there is still a need to provide the opportunity for residents to cast a ballot in support of school board trustee. Voter turnout is not expected to be as high as when municipal positions are also up for election. As has been done in the past, a neighbouring municipality has been asked to run the school board election on behalf of Hilton Township residents. The Village of Hilton Beach will accept ballots from Hilton Township residents for the position of school board trustee at the October 18, 2014, Advance Vote as well as on October 27, 2014, Election Day.

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2014-122
Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do give first, second and third and final reading and pass By-Law No. 1115-14 being a by-law to provide for an advance vote to be held prior to Voting Day (for the election of Algoma District School Board Trustee only). *Carried*

Council reviewed documentation from the OPP outlining our actual policing costs for 2015. As previously forecasted, our 2015 cost will be \$44,899, roughly \$14,000 greater than our 2014 cost of \$31,000. Annual increases of \$14,000 will continue under a ‘phase-in method’ until we reach our projected total annual policing cost of \$83,802. The new policing costs represent a cost per household of \$200 compared to our current \$88. The costs are calculated based on the number of households and commercial and industrial properties, however, the final costs will be distributed over all properties in the municipality as part of the tax rate.

Council discussed the negative effects the TSSA (Technical Standards and Safety Authority) is having on Island businesses and agreed with correspondence received on the same subject from Jocelyn and Tarbutt Townships.

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2014-123
Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do support the resolution of the Township of Tarbutt and Tarbutt Additional regarding the negative effects the TSSA (Technical Standards and Safety Authority) is having on local gas stations and agree with the Township of Jocelyn’s recommendation that all St. Joseph Island Councils meet to further discuss this matter. * Carried *

Council reviewed the most recent Library Board Minutes and were advised that given issues with the library building’s chimney, the structure was now being heated by electric heaters only. The Library Board and the Village of Hilton Beach Council are currently obtaining quotes for alternative heating systems.

Moved by Robert Jerrard 2014-124
Seconded by Dianne Holt

Resolved that we do authorize the payment of Township bills for the month of September 2014 in the amount of \$83,785.48 as per Voucher 09-2014: Administration - \$7,043.10; Algoma District School Board (3 Qtr) - \$33,404.13; Algoma Dist Services Administration (September) - \$21,346.17; Building Inpection- \$922.65; Fire - \$305.00; Miscellaneous (Employee/Employer Payroll Deductions/ Benefits) - \$6,439.54; Police - \$2,645.00; Roads - \$11,679.89. *Carried*

Moved by Pat Garside 2014-125
Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do pass By-Law 1116-14 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting. *Carried*

Moved by Dianne Holt 2014-126
Seconded by Dave Leask

Resolved that we do adjourn at 11:56 p.m., Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 5, 2014 or at the call of the Reeve. *Carried*

Rodney Wood, Reeve

Valerie Obarymskyj, Clerk Treasurer



<p>*** Building Inspection ***</p> <p>Ron LeBlanc – Building Inspector - Call 1-800-797-2997</p> <p>Email: ron.leblanc@tulloch.ca</p>
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Dump/Recycling (M & N Road):

WINTER Hours in Effect from Sept 15/14 – May 15/15

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Sunday: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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CO Alarms Now Mandatory in All Homes

(Message below courtesy of Office of Fire Marshal)

For more information visit: www.mcscs.jus.gov.on.ca

Ontario is taking another step to keep families and homes in Ontario safe by making carbon monoxide alarms mandatory in all residential homes.

The new regulation, which comes into effect October 15, 2014 updates Ontario's Fire Code following the passage of Bill 77 last year. These updates are based on recommendations from a Technical Advisory Committee which was led by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management and included experts from fire services, the hotel and rental housing industries, condo owners and alarm manufacturers.

Carbon monoxide detectors will now be required near all sleeping areas in residential homes and in the service rooms, and adjacent sleeping areas in multi-residential units. Carbon monoxide alarms can be hardwired, battery-operated or plugged into the wall.

DECLARATION OF ACCLAMATION TO OFFICE

Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (s. 37(1))

The certified candidates listed below have been acclaimed to the office that follows their respective names pursuant to Section 37 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*:

Name of Candidate	Mailing Address	Phone	Office
Rodney Wood	2975 Base Line Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0	705-246-1810	Reeve
Patrick Garside	3430 Garside Road Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0	705-246-1701	Councillor
Dianne Holt	2650 Garside Road Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0	705-246-1795	Councillor
Robert Jerrard	3746 Hamilton Drive Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0	705-246-0847	Councillor
Dave Leask	P.O. Box 130 Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0	705-246-1059	Councillor

Accordingly, there will be no election for any council positions. Eligible electors from the Township of Hilton still have the opportunity to vote for one Algoma District School Board representative for the Central Algoma area. Hilton Township eligible electors wishing to cast a ballot for this position should do so at the following location on Monday, October 27, 2014 anytime between the hours of 10:00 am to 8:00 pm:

Village of Hilton Beach Community Hall
 3050 Hilton Road
 Hilton Beach, Ontario P0R 1G0