

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

**MINUTES**  
Regular Meeting  
October 11, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

Present:

Reeve: Rodney Wood

Councillors: Pat Garside

Mike Garside

Dianne Holt

Dave Leask

Road Superintendent: Lyn Garside

Clerk: Valerie Obarymskyj

Absent:

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Moved by Dave Leask

2019-108

Seconded by Dianne Holt

Resolved that we do accept the Agenda as presented. \* Carried \*

Moved by Mike Garside

2019-109

Seconded by Pat Garside

Resolved that we do approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of September 11, 2019 as presented. \*Carried\*

Reeve Wood welcomed MPAC Account Manager, Jeremy Cormier, in attendance to provide information on MPAC's role in property assessment and taxation. The Township of Hilton pays roughly \$18,000 annually to MPAC for assessment services. The majority of Hilton Township's assessment (97%) is Residential. Mr. Cormier confirmed the next reassessment cycle will include 2021 to 2024 years with assessments based on a January 1, 2019 valuation date. The last valuation date for the 2017 to 2020 cycle was based on January 1, 2016 values. The four year cycles were put in place to create a sense of stability for both property owners and municipalities. In preparation for the next four year cycle new assessment notices will be mailed to all property owners beginning June 2020. It is important residents review these notices carefully to ensure they consider the new assessment value fair. Property owners will have 120 days from the date the Notice of Assessment is issued to file a Request for Reconsideration (RfR) to challenge the new assessment. The 120 day period only applies to those years when new Notices are mailed out. For following years residents will have until March 31<sup>st</sup> to file an RfR. Mr. Cormier confirmed that MPAC has made changes to its approach over the last several years in an effort to be as transparent as possible with property owners. Owners are encouraged to discuss their new assessments with MPAC if they feel they are not accurate or if they don't understand why changes have been made.

Lyn Garside, Road Superintendent, provided an update on road issues. The new plow blade was delivered this week for the new truck. Mr. Garside confirmed there will be a significant 14% increase to sand prices this coming season as advised by Ferrovial Services. The additional cost is linked to wage increases, carbon tax and aggregate fee changes.

Correspondence was received from St. Joseph Township advising its road crew had performed maintenance to the section of K Line west of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sideroad in the summer months of 2019. The work completed included changing culverts, ditching, brushing and gravel. St. Joseph Township advised the work done was valued at approximately \$13,000 and Hilton Township was asked to pay half. This road is a boundary road between Hilton and St. Joseph Townships. The Municipal Act does call for an agreement to be reached by bordering municipalities in terms of maintenance. This section of the Act has been in place since 2001. The Township of Hilton had classed this section of K Line as a non-maintained road when municipalities were first required to classify all roads in the early 2000's. The unwritten agreement reached at that time was that St. Joseph Township would maintain K Line west of the 20<sup>th</sup> and Hilton Township would maintain the section off of Canoe Point Road which services one lot in St. Joseph Township and access to most lots along Soo Mill Road in the Village of Hilton Beach. When this issue was discussed earlier in 2019, Hilton Township advised it was not ready to enter into an agreement due to St. Joseph's plans for repeated annual surface maintenance and additional gravel as opposed to correcting the main problem with the roadbed construction; disparity in assessments making an equalized sharing of costs unfair to Hilton Township residents; no recognition or shared costing from St. Joseph Township of Hilton Township's work on K Line off Canoe Point Road. The Road Superintendent advised that the St. Joseph Township road crew had performed work on the K Line turnaround off of Canoe Point Road diverting the flow of water from the unopened K Line to Hilton Township's culvert only as opposed to the previous flow being handled by two culverts – one from each municipality. The Road Super advised that our culvert alone will not handle the additional flow and it will now be necessary to install a larger culvert under the surface treated road. Council noted the additional cost Hilton Township will incur having to dig up the surface treatment. The Clerk was directed to advise St. Joseph Township we would not be paying the invoice as submitted for 50% of \$13,000 given the foregoing issues and that in future, there must be agreement before work is carried out if any sharing of costs is to occur.

The Town of Bruce Mines will be hosting the required annual Emergency Measures exercise this year and invited surrounding municipalities to join them. The exercise will be held on November 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm and three members of Council and the Clerk and Fire Chief will attend.

The Clerk advised that the Secretary-Treasurer of the Planning Board had confirmed with all Island clerks that the Board had authorized his assistance with moving forward on a zoning amendment to restrict shipping containers in certain areas. A tentative date of October 17, 2019 is planned for the first meeting.

The Clerk confirmed that in regard to a guest cabin built by a previous owner on a Haight Road shoreroad allowance, the purchase of the shoreroad allowance will be the first step in correcting the issue. Once the shoreroad survey has been completed, then a zoning amendment to reduce the specific setback required will be initiated. While guest cabins are generally permitted to include bathroom facilities, in this case, due to the location so close to the water, the zoning amendment would prohibit any plumbing.

Correspondence was received from the St. Joseph Island Planning Board requesting councils submit any local concerns or issues they have in regard to the current Official Plan (OP). The Board has been working for some time to ensure the required 2020 update of the OP also satisfies mandatory issues referenced in the current and proposed Provincial Policy Statements.

Council reviewed information from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing proposing to transform and modernize the delivery of Ontario’s Building Code services. There is a comment period from September 24, 2019 to November 25, 2019, however, further research will be required to determine the effect the proposal could have on our services.

The Clerk shared a response from Bell regarding our correspondence asking why both internet and cell service is so poor in the south eastern section of the Island, which includes a large portion of Hilton Township. It was confirmed there are no towers in this area of the Island and Bell has no plans to install any. Council was advised our comments would be provided to Bell’s planning team for future consideration. Council noted if a new tower would solve the problem Bell should be asked to move forward with this.

Moved by Dave Leask 2019-110  
Seconded by Pat Garside  
Resolved that we do authorize Valerie Obarymskyj to attend the AMCTO Workshop “Improving Service Delivery in Municipalities through Shared Services and Collaboration” to be held in Sault Ste. Marie on Tuesday, October 22, 2019. \* Carried\*.

Moved by Dave Leask 2019-111  
Seconded by Dianne Holt  
Resolved that we do authorize payment of Township bills for the month of September 2019 in the amount of \$157,604.91 as per Voucher 09-19: Administration - \$9,372.66; Algoma Dist School Board (Qtrly) - \$32,765.33; Algoma Dist Services Admin Board (September AND October) - \$47,586.66; Assessment (Qtrly) - \$4,556.13; Building - \$1,988.08; Fire - \$350.00; Misc (Employee/Employer Payroll Deductions/Benefits) - \$6,958.02; Policing - \$7,150.00; Roads - \$46,878.03. \*Carried\*

Moved by Pat Garside 2019-112  
Seconded by Pat Garside  
Resolved that we do pass By-Law No 1257-19 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.  
\*Carried\*

Moved by Dave Leask 2019-113  
Seconded by Pat Garside  
Resolved that we do adjourn at 10:28 p.m. Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 for the next regular meeting of Council. \*Carried\*

Reeve, Rodney Wood

Valerie Obarymskyj, Clerk

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**\*\*\* Building Inspection \*\*\***  
Kevin Morris – Building Inspector - Call 1-800-797-2997  
Email: Kevin.Morris@tulloch.ca

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER TO OBTAIN A BUILDING PERMIT  
IT IS ILLEGAL TO START WORK WITHOUT A PERMIT**

**M and N Road - Landfill/Recycling**



<b><u>WINTER Hours in Effect from Sept 16/2019 – May 15/2020</u></b>	
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>10:00 am – 3:00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>12:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>

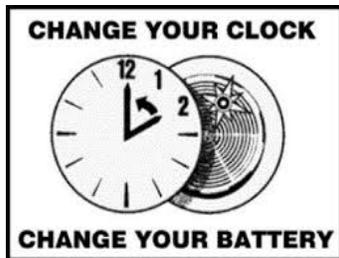
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**F I R E - 911 for Emergencies**



<p>The Hilton Union Fire Department invites residents to purchase a Garrison 2.5 lb. fire extinguisher at the Municipal Office at a municipal - subsidized price of <b>\$20</b> (cash or cheque only). Residents will be asked to provide their civic address number confirming Village/Township residency.</p>
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**Time to Change your Clocks and the Batteries in all Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms**

Clocks will fall back one hour at 2 am on Sunday, November 3, 2019 and the **Hilton Union Fire Department** is recommending residents install new batteries in their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms when they change their clocks.

In order to survive a fire, you need to be provided with an early warning and know what to do when the smoke alarms sound. Working smoke alarms are required on every storey of the home and outside all sleeping areas. For added protection, it is recommended to also install smoke alarms inside all bedrooms.

Carbon monoxide alarms must be installed outside all sleeping areas if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

Tampering with or removing the batteries from your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms is against the law. Failure to comply with the Fire Code can result in a ticket for \$360 or a fine of up to \$50,000.

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**Hunting Fire Safety Tips**

The Ontario Fire Code requires every 'dwelling unit' in Ontario to have working smoke alarms on every storey and outside all sleeping areas. The term 'dwelling unit' includes seasonal homes such as park model trailers, cabins and cottages and also includes trailer homes, motor homes and other recreational vehicles.

In addition to working smoke alarms, anglers and hunters are encouraged to thoroughly check and clean all heating appliances, (i.e., woodstoves, propane heaters, kerosene heaters, naphtha stoves and lanterns) in their cabins, camps, trailers and recreational vehicles before using them. Chimneys also need to be inspected for any damage or obstructions prior to use and cleaned if deposits of creosote are present.



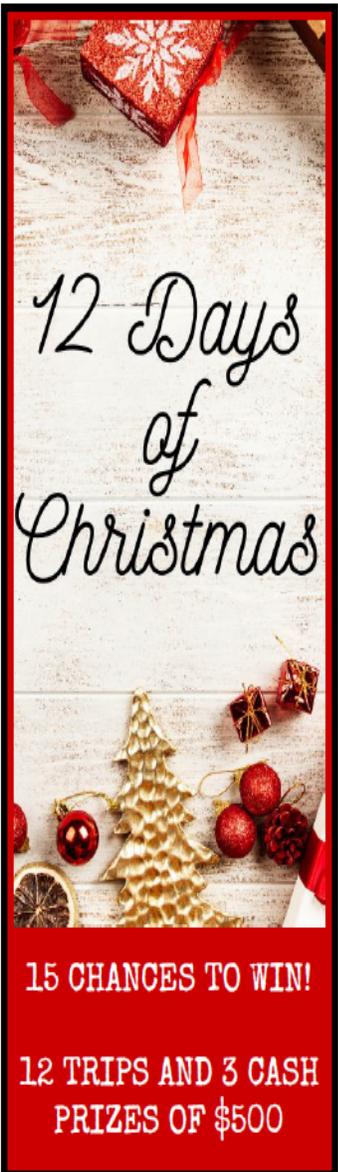
Crime Stoppers of Sault Ste. Marie & Algoma District invites you to support your local program through volunteerism and sponsorship opportunities. For more information please contact:  
705-759-5081  
[info@saultcrimestoppers.com](mailto:info@saultcrimestoppers.com)

**12 Days of Christmas**  
**\$150 each**  
**December 1, 2019 - December 12, 2019**  
**12 Trips and 3 x \$500 Cash Prizes**  
**Only 600 Tickets Printed**  
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[TripBrochure-12DaysofChristmas.pdf](#)

<b>DECEMBER 1, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Sunwing All-Inclusive</b> 7 days- April 9-16 2020</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare Sunwing SSM to Varadero via London</li> <li>Resort Be Live Experience Turquesa</li> <li>Double Occupancy standard room</li> <li>All meals, snacks &amp; all beverages</li> <li>Round trip shared transfers to/from airport to resort</li> <li>Not included: all items of a personal nature and excursions</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$3100 or travel voucher \$2790</p>
<b>DECEMBER 4, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Great Wolf Lodge Traverse City</b> 2 Nights - 2 adults &amp; 2 children</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two nights accommodation in standard 2 Queen Room</li> <li>Admission to Water Park &amp; free WIFI</li> <li>\$100.00 Cdn. gas gift card</li> <li>Not included: meals and all items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$1000 or travel voucher \$900 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500 Cash</p>
<b>DECEMBER 7, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Las Vegas Weekend - 4 nights</b></p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare from SSM to Las Vegas</li> <li>4 Nights accommodations at New York, New York standard double room</li> <li>Roundtrip transfers from airport to hotel</li> <li>Not included: meals or items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$2500 or travel voucher \$2250</p>
<b>DECEMBER 10, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Disney World</b> 2 adults &amp; 2 children</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare from SSM to Orlando</li> <li>Roundtrip transfer from airport to hotel on Disney's Magical Express</li> <li>4 nights accommodation, standard room at Disney's All-Star Movies or All-Star Music Resort</li> <li>3 Day park pass (excludes Blizzard Beach or Typhoon Lagoon)</li> <li>Not included: meals or items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$6000 or travel voucher \$5400</p>

<b>DECEMBER 2, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Niagara Falls Family Get Away</b> for 2 adults &amp; 2 children</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare from SSM to Toronto for 4 people</li> <li>Car Rental: mid-size from Budget</li> <li>3 nights accommodation in a 3 1/4" hotel in standard 2 Queen bed room</li> <li>Greg Frewin Theatre tickets Tier 3 show</li> <li>Not included: meals, car rental mileage, insurance charges and items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$2500 or travel voucher \$2250</p>
<b>DECEMBER 5, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Cruise Aboard Carnival Sensation</b> 4 nights</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare for 2 adults SSM to Miami</li> <li>Roundtrip transfers from airport to hotel to ship</li> <li>1 pre-night hotel stay in 3' hotel in Miami</li> <li>Interior Stateroom, all meals, non-alcoholic beverages, taxes, fees and port expenses</li> <li>Not included: alcohol drinks, gratuities, shore excursions and all items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$3000 or travel voucher \$2700</p>
<b>DECEMBER 8, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Myrtle Beach Golf</b> 4 nights</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$500.00 per person for flights from SSM to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina plus transfers to hotel</li> <li>4 nights accommodation in a 3' hotel standard hotel, double occupancy</li> <li>Two 18 hole rounds based on max. of \$100.00 per round per person with a cart at your choice of course when booking</li> <li>Not included: all items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$2600 or travel voucher \$2340 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500 Cash</p>
<b>DECEMBER 11, 2019</b>	 <p><b>5 night Bermuda Cruise for 2</b> Royal Caribbean Adventure of the Seas</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare from SSM to Cape Liberty, New Jersey</li> <li>Round trip transfer from airport to cruise port</li> <li>Interior cabin, all meals, entertainment &amp; non-alcoholic beverages</li> <li>Not included: all items of a personal nature, gratuities, and alcoholic beverages</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$3200 or travel voucher \$2880</p>

<b>DECEMBER 3, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Banff Alberta</b> June 25 to 28, 2020</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare for 2 from SSM to Calgary (via Toronto)</li> <li>3 nights accommodations at Banff Inn 3'</li> <li>Car Rental: mid-size from Routes</li> <li>Mount Norquay Sightseeing Chairlift - 2 tickets</li> <li>Not included: meals, car rental mileage, insurance charges and all items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$3000 or travel voucher \$2700</p>
<b>DECEMBER 6, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Caribbean Cruise April 4-11 2020</b> 7 Nights - Celebrity Equinox</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare from SSM</li> <li>Roundtrip transfer from airport to cruise port</li> <li>Interior cabin, including taxes &amp; port fees</li> <li>All meals, non-alcoholic beverages &amp; entertainment</li> <li>Not included: all items of a personal nature, gratuities, and alcoholic beverages</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$4300 or travel voucher \$3870</p>
<b>DECEMBER 9, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Chicago Get-Away</b></p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtrip airfare from SSM to Chicago, Illinois</li> <li>3 nights accommodations at a 4' hotel, standard room, double occupancy</li> <li>"Go Chicago Explorer" pass for 3 attractions</li> <li>Not included: meals and items of a personal nature</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$2200 or travel voucher \$1980</p>
<b>DECEMBER 12, 2019</b>	 <p><b>Royal Caribbean Cruise Certificate</b> January to April 2020</p> <p><b>PACKAGE INCLUDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$500 per person voucher for round trip airfare</li> <li>One night 3' accommodation in cruise departure city</li> <li>All meals, non-alcoholic beverages and entertainment onboard</li> <li>Not included: all items of a personal nature, gratuities, and alcoholic beverages</li> </ul> <p>VALUE: \$4000 or travel voucher \$3600 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500 Cash</p>



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Hilton Township Recreation Committee welcomes all children to the Hilton Township Office (at 2983 Base Line) for treats and a photo on Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.



Anyone who would like to drop off treats for the children is welcome to bring them to the Municipal Office during regular office hours (M/W/F: 9 am - 4:30 pm). Thankyou!