

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

**MINUTES**  
Regular Meeting  
June 5, 2024  
7:00 p.m.

**Present:**

Acting Reeve: Mike Garside  
 Councillors: Janet Gordanier  
 Mike Trainor  
 Rod Wood

Acting Clerk Treasurer: Sara Dinsdale

Absent: Dave Leask  
 Road Superintendent: Lyndon Garside

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Councillor Janet Gordanier declared pecuniary interest in regards to item No. 12.a) and 12. i)

Resolution 2024 - 126  
 Moved: Janet Gordanier  
 Seconded: Rod Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does accept the agenda for June 5, 2024 as presented. \*CARRIED\*

Council suggested that the approval of minutes from the regular meeting held on May 8, 2024 be deferred to the next meeting when all of Council will be present.

Acting Reeve Garside welcomed Mr. Rob Dumanski.

Mr. Dumanski presented property info and a map of his property to Council in order to show his location in comparison to the neighbouring properties. Mr. Dumanski explained his concerns regarding the new short-term rental by-law and requested clarification regarding building two cabins on his property to use as short-term rentals. Since the new by-law states that only one additional building is allowed on a property, Acting Reeve Garside explained that discussing with the planning board regarding a zoning amendment to become a tourist attraction might be beneficial. Mr. Dumanski expressed that the new by-law doesn't seem appropriate for all locations in the Township of Hilton. It was suggested that the Acting Clerk forward the contact info of Mr. Michael Jagger, Secretary-Treasurer for the St. Joseph Island Planning Board to Mr. Dumanski for further clarification of his options.

Acting Reeve Garside welcomed Ms. Barbara Church.

Ms. Church expressed gratitude toward Road Superintendent Lyn Garside for reviving Big Point Park. Ms. Church explained that the outhouse at the park is in need of repair. Currently, one side of it has been nailed shut due to safety reasons and the other side has a very soft floor and needs a new roof. Ms. Church requested that we look into seeing if the township has a budget for parks, and look into grants. Acting Reeve Garside explained that although the park is provincially owned, the township is still liable for structures on the property. He suggested that he meet Ms. Church at the park on Thursday, June 6 to assess the situation. Ms. Church suggested that if we can get a grant, maybe building a new outhouse would be better and make the existing one into storage. Ms. Church also requested that Lyn clean up debris around the outhouse, pick up branches and brush that is laying around the sandbox, cut the grass on a Thursday or Friday weekly, cut the long grass around the park perimeter that doesn't get cut, and clean up the brush pile that's back near the outhouse. Councillor Rod Wood suggested that he would look into acquiring a roof for the outhouse. Ms. Church also asked if Lyn could start making trails at the park on the W. Acting Reeve Garside explained that Lyn would be asked and "Parks" would be added to the next meeting's agenda to further discuss it. Ms. Church mentioned that she is looking for sandbox toys and rakes for Big Point Yard. Since she does not have social media, Councillor Gordanier offered to post an add on Facebook.

Ms. Church expressed that she was hoping that Council would still be streaming meetings. She was advised that this was a topic already on the agenda later in the meeting and will be addressed then.

Resolution 2024-127  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to suggest the requested CEMC meeting be held on September 12, or 19, 2024. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024 - 128  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Rod Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does give first, second and third and final reading and pass By-Law No. 1417 – 24 being a by-law to establish and require payment of various fees and charges.\*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024 - 129  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does support St. Joseph Island Planning Board's Inquiry to APH regarding fees for review of land use applications. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024 - 130  
Moved: Rod Wood  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does recommend to the St. Joseph Island Planning Board that the applications by Bonnie and David Maltman for consent to sever part of Block D and Lot 25, and add it to Lot 24 of Hamilton Drive of Hilton, subject to the following conditions: N/A \*CARRIED\*

There was a discussion regarding live streaming of Council meetings. The Procedural By-law will be amended to accommodate live streaming of meetings for courtesy purposes only. It was suggested that a more permanent set-up be done in order to avoid set-up and take-down at every meeting.

Resolution 2024 - 131  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Rod Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to re-instate live streaming of Council meetings, when possible, as a courtesy only. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024 - 132  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the suggested amendment of the Procedural By-Law #1274-20, Section 19. Deputations/Delegations, to include the Delegation Request Form as amended. \*CARRIED\*

A decision was made to move item #10. c) to the end of the meeting.

Acting Reeve Mike Garside and the Acting Clerk explained some recent events that have taken place regarding the Grace United Cemetery. There was a discussion regarding cemetery rules and amending the Cemetery By-law to accommodate new rules, prices, and changes in what can be sold and honoured. Councillor Gordanier suggested that a harassment disclaimer be added to the bottom of the Acting Clerk's signature line in emails in hopes that it might help prevent some of the negative comments and feedback that is being received. Councillor Rod Wood mentioned that he spoke to some of the church members and requested that if anyone has any cemetery information or old documents that the Township of Hilton could use them.

Resolution 2024 - 133  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the purchase of 2 Cemetery Rules signs as discussed, in order to be placed at the cemetery. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024 - 134  
Moved: Rod Wood  
Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the suggested amendments to By-Law #1366-23 being a By-Law to provide rules and regulations for the care and control of Grace United Cemetery within the Township of Hilton.\*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024 - 135  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Rod Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre 2024/2025 Budget Funding Request in the amount of \$2000.00 \*CARRIED\*

A discussion took place regarding an email that was received in March regarding home care service. The email was discussed at the regular council meeting of April 10, then deferred until more information regarding this could be gathered. It has since been determined that there still are home care services and there is no need to write a letter to Ministry of Health, Silvia Jones, as was requested. Home care services can be set up through CBI Home Health, the Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre, Rural Health Hub, as well as private personal support workers. Home Health Care services are often referred by a patient's doctor and is based on availability. There are volunteer drivers through transportation programs at the Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre for those that would need to travel elsewhere for services. It was suggested that the Acting Clerk let the community member know of the resources available.

Resolution 2024 - 136  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the joining the Kensington Conservancy's Corporate Sponsorship program and paying the sponsorship amount of \$250.00. \*DEFEATED\*

Resolution 2024-137  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the payment of Township bills for the month of May, 2024 in the amount of \$55,137.42 per the attached voucher. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024-138  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

Resolved that this Council move into closed session at 10:46 p.m.to consider items concerning labour relations or employee negotiations.

Further be it Resolved that should the said closed session be adjourned, the Council may reconvene in closed session to discuss the same matters without the need for a further authorizing resolution. (*Municipal Act* section 239 (2) (d) re labour relations or employee negotiations. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024-139  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON returns to open session at 10:55pm. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024-140  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to the pay increase requested by the Acting Clerk Treasurer, as discussed in the closed session. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024-141  
Moved: Janet Gordanier  
Seconded: Rod Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does pass By-Law No. 1419-24 being a by-law to confirm the proceeding of this meeting. \*CARRIED\*

Resolution 2024-142  
Moved: Mike Trainor  
Seconded: Rod Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does adjourn at 10:58 p.m. Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal office on Wednesday, July 10, 2024 or at the call of the Reeve. \*CARRIED\*



Acting Reeve Mike Garside



Acting Clerk Sara Dinsdale