

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON

MINUTES
Special Meeting
July 24, 2024
6:30 p.m.

Present:

- Reeve: Rodney Wood
- Councillors: Mike Garside
- Dave Leask
- Janet Gordanier
- Mike Trainor

Acting Clerk Treasurer: Sara Dinsdale
 Acting Integrity Commissioner: Mr. John Hart

The meeting was called to order at 6:42 pm.

Reeve Rodney Wood declared pecuniary interest regarding agenda item 4. a).

Resolution 2024 - 175
 Moved: Janet Gordanier
 Seconded: Mike Garside

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does accept the agenda for July 24, 2024 as presented. *CARRIED*

Deputy Reeve Dave Leask assumed chair for the meeting due to the declaration of pecuniary interest by Reeve Rodney Wood.

At 6:45 pm, Mr. John Hart began his explanation of his Final Integrity Commissioner’s Report regarding the Investigation of a complaint made on March 8, 2024. Mr. Hart reiterated that due to Ms. Blunt having a conflict of interest in the matter, that he was asked by her to complete the investigation.

Mr. Hart explained that the investigation report included facts that both the Complainant Ms. Mary Lynn Duguay and Reeve Rodney Wood agreed upon. Mr. Hart explained that the provisions of the Municipal Act 2001, section 223.4 (5) sets out penalties which may be imposed by the Township where a report is presented that concludes that a contravention of the Code of Conduct has occurred. He also proceeded to explain that the report included the letter of apology that was already written to Ms. Duguay on February 21, 2024. Mr. Hart’s recommendation to Township Council was that Reeve Wood be reprimanded as the other penalties were not relevant and a letter of apology was already written. Mr. Hart explained that it is Council’s decision to determine sanction.

Deputy Reeve Leask asked Mr. Hart if a decision on the matter needed to be made at this meeting or if it could be deferred to the next meeting. Mr. Hart’s suggestion was that it be handled at this meeting; however, it could be deferred to the next meeting.

Deputy Reeve Leask asked Council if they had any questions or comments and there were none at this time. He suggested that the decision of sanction be deferred to the regular Council meeting in August.

Resolution 2024 - 176
 Moved: Mike Trainor
 Seconded: Janet Gordanier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does agree to defer the discussion of sanction to the next regular meeting of Council on August 7, 2024. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-177
 Moved: Mike Garside
 Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does pass By-law No. 1426-24 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting. *CARRIED*

Resolution 2024-178
Moved: Janet Gordanier
Seconded: Mike Trainor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILTON does adjourn at 7:00 p.m.
Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal office on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 7:00 pm or at
the call of the Reeve. *CARRIED*



Reeve Rodney Wood



Acting Clerk Sara Dinsdale