

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 25TH, 2022

There was a Regular Meeting of Council held via Zoom on Tuesday January 25th, 2022. Present were Mayor David Bennett, Deputy Mayor Glen Campbell, Councillor Doug Humphries, and Councillor Tom Webster. Staff present was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk, Nathalie Moore, Treasurer, and Nichole Dubeau, Executive Assistant – Recording Secretary.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. He performed roll call for council members.

	Present	Absent
Mayor Bennett	X	
Deputy Mayor Campbell	X	
Councillor Cleroux	X	
Councillor Humphries	X	
Councillor Webster	X	

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Bennett read the Land Acknowledgement in its entirety.

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

4. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Cleroux

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-09

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council adopt the Agenda for the January 25, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS &/or PUBLIC MEETINGS – NONE

6. MINUTES

6.1 January 11th, 2022 – Regular Council

Moved by Councillor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10

Seconded by Councillor Cleroux

THAT Council approve the following Minutes:

- January 11th, 2022 – Regular Council

Carried

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

8.1 GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

Public Advisory Member Spencer Hopping was present.

Public Advisory Member Susan Humphries sent her regrets.

8.1.1 2021 Council Remuneration

Treasurer Nathalie Moore thanked Council and Committee members who reached out about any questions or concerns they had about the budget figures.

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report.

8.1.2 2021 Investment Statement

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report.

8.1.3 Budget Report

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report. She highlighted the key impacts and changes for the 2022 budget. Public Advisory Member Spencer Hopping stated that Canada's inflation rate for 2022 was 3.5% so it would be beneficial for the budget percentage to be below that. There was discussion to present the budget levy increase around 1.5-2% and use working funds reserves to offset the remaining amount. Further discussion was tabled until the February 1 meeting due to Councillor Humphries having internet troubles.

8.2 RECREATION COMMITTEE

Council members thanked Staff, the Fire Department, and Volunteers for their dedication to making the ice for the outdoor rink and getting it open so quickly.

8.2.1 Staff Report – Horton Hornets Proposal

Council members reviewed the proposal. They felt that it was in the best interest not to move forward with the season this year due to COVID-19 and the possibility of burdening taxpayer's dollars towards it, if there were any expenses incurred.

8.2.2 Hockey Tournament Request

Council members reviewed the request. There was Council discussion regarding the current provincial restrictions and guidelines to follow while using the outdoor rink. There was Council consensus that if anyone was interested in having a special event at the rink, it should be considered a rental and used at their own risk.

8.3 TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**8.2.1 Chair's Report – January 13th**

Chair Webster reviewed the report.

8.4 PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE**8.4.1 Chair's Report – January 20th**

Chair Cleroux reviewed the report.

9. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY**9.1 INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE****9.1.1 CAO/Clerk Information Memo**

Discussion went around the table with information previously distributed.

9.2 ACTION CORRESPONDENCE – NONE**10. BYLAWS – NONE****11. NOTICE TO FILE MOTION FOR NEXT COUNCIL – NONE****12. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNS**

There were no Council or Staff Members concerns.

13. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION – NONE

14. RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Humphries **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-11**
Seconded by Councillor Webster
THAT Council accepts the Council Remuneration Report for the year ending December 31, 2021 as presented.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-12**
Seconded by Councillor Cleroux
THAT Council accept the Investment Summary for the year ending December 31, 2021 as information.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-13**
Seconded by Councillor Webster
THAT Council receive the 2022 Spring Hockey Proposal from Tina Hunt and Jamie Prince as information;

AND THAT Council not approve the proposal for 2022.**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Humphries **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-14**
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell
THAT Council receive the e-mail proposal for a 3 on 3 Hockey Tournament as information;

AND THAT Council conclude that anyone proposing to utilize the rink for a special purpose rent it out with the associated fees to be paid as per the Tariff of Fees by-law, and sign the according rental contract.**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Webster **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-15**
Seconded by Councillor Humphries
THAT Council accept the TES Committee Chair's Report as information.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Webster **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-16**
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Campbell
THAT upon recommendation from the TES Committee, Council agree to issue a Request for Proposal to have an external consulting firm conduct an energy audit and RETScreen assessments of the Community Center, Arena and Rink Change rooms then complete a detailed design the displays a minimum of 10% improvement in energy efficient retrofits and upgrades then complete the application to the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Grant Program as class "B" ready project for funding to complete the project;

AND THAT the Request for Proposal be awarded after the 2022 Budget is ratified;**FURTHER THAT** funding estimated at \$45,000 for the Request for Proposal items be funded through Recreation Reserves.**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Cleroux **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-17**
Seconded by Councillor Humphries
THAT Council accept the Protective Services Committee Chair's Report as information.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cleroux **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-18**
Seconded by Councillor Humphries
THAT Council accept the CAO/Clerk's Information Memo for January 25, 2022.

Carried

15. IN CAMERA (Closed) SESSION – NONE

16. CONFIRMING BYLAW

Moved by Deputy Mayor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-19

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council enact By-law 2022-06 – Confirming By-Law.

Carried

17. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bennett declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

MAYOR David M. Bennett

CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough