

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 18TH, 2023

There was a Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday July 18th, 2023. Present were Mayor David Bennett, Deputy Mayor Tom Webster, Councillor Glen Campbell, Councillor Doug Humphries, and Councillor Daina Proctor. Staff present was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk, Nathalie Moore, Treasurer, Adam Knapp, Public Works Manager, and Nichole Dubeau, Executive Assistant – Recording Secretary.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

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 Humphries

2023-152

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Webster

THAT Council adopt the Agenda for the July 18th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

5. **DELEGATIONS &/or PUBLIC MEETINGS**

5.1 Public Meeting – Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Grant – 80%
Design – Community Centre

6. **MINUTES**

6.1 July 4th, 2023 – Regular Council

Moved by Councillor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-153

Seconded by Councillor Humphries

THAT Council approve the following Minutes:

- July 4th, 2023 – 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 Members Susan Humphries and Spencer Hopping were present.

9.1.1 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Nathalie Moore reviewed the report. She stated that senior staff will be starting their budget process in September to pass the 2024 budget by year end and will be asked to return their working papers by September 15, 2023. She added that she will attend all Committee Meetings in September/October to present the department's preliminary budget. Councillor Proctor requested that a report for the trend on overall spending be added to the next Treasurer's Report to compare to the previous year.

8.2 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Public Advisory Members Bob Johnston, Lisa Branje and Murray Gahan sent their regrets.

8.1.1 June Building Report

Council reviewed the report.

8.2.2 Planning Files Report

Council reviewed the report.

8.2.3 Staff Report – Backyard Chickens

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report.

8.2.4 Staff Report – ZBLA – Tomlinson – Next Steps

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report. She added that it will also be put on the Township's website for public knowledge.

8.3 PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE8.3.1 Chair's Report – July 6th

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough reviewed the report.

8.4 RECREATION COMMITTEE8.4.1 Chair's Report – July 13th

Councillor Humphries reviewed the report.

9. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY**9.1 INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE – NONE****9.2 ACTION CORRESPONDENCE – NONE****10. BYLAWS**

10.1 2023-35 Form of Agreement – Greenwood Paving – Mullins Rd.

11. NOTICE TO FILE MOTION FOR NEXT COUNCIL – NONE**12. COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNS**

Deputy Mayor Webster stated that he had a few inquiries regarding trail maintenance and noxious weed spraying and he had reached out to the Public Works Manager to see when spraying would start, which was July 19th. He added that if any other members of Council received the inquiry to let them know the start date. Councillor Proctor questioned if there were any updates on the food insecurity resolution sent out and strategic plan. CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough stated that food insecurity information has a designated section on the Township's website and works together with the strategic plan. She added that she will bring an update/progress report for food insecurity to the September meeting.

13. RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Councillor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-154

THAT Council receive the following reports as information:

- Treasurer's Report
- June Building Report
- Planning Files Update
- Protective Services Committee Chair's Report
- Recreation Committee Chair's Report
- Zoning By-law Amendment – Tomlinson – Next Steps Report

Carried

Moved by Councillor Proctor
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-155

THAT direct staff to create a survey for the purpose of a 30-day public consultation on the keeping of backyard chickens;

AND FURTHER THAT once the survey results are compiled, the information is to be brought back to the Planning Committee and Council for further consideration and discussion.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Proctor
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Webster

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-156

THAT upon recommendation from the Recreation Committee, Council allow Agatha White- Crogie, Judith Ballard and Shelley Cram to be added to the volunteer roster, upon submission of a clean vulnerable sector check.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Humphries
Seconded by Councillor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-157

THAT Council enact the following By-laws:

- 2023-35 Form of Agreement – Greenwood Paving – Mullins Rd.

Carried

14. IN CAMERA (Closed) SESSION

Moved by Deputy Mayor Webster
Seconded by Councillor Campbell

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-158

THAT Council went into a Closed Session Meeting at 4:53 p.m. to discuss the following items pursuant to Section 239(2) (c) of the Municipal Act;

- (c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board – Land Acquisition request from Recreation Committee.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Webster
Seconded by Councillor Proctor

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-159

THAT Council came out of Closed (In-Camera) Session at 5:38 p.m. and discussed items pursuant to Section 239(2) (c) of the Municipal Act pertaining to:

- (c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board – Land Acquisition request from Recreation Committee.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Proctor
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-160

THAT upon recommendation from the Recreation Committee, Council further investigate purchasing the parcel for sale (West Half Lot 11) and/or the three parcels that are adjacent to the Community Centre.

Mayor Bennett asked for a recorded vote.

| Yea | Voting | Nay |
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| ✓ | D. Bennett | |
| | T. Webster | ✓ |
| | G. Campbell | ✓ |
| ✓ | D. Humphries | |
| | D. Proctor | ✓ |

Defeated

15. CONFIRMING BYLAW

Moved by Councillor Proctor
Seconded by Councillor Humphries

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-161

THAT Council enact By-law 2023-36– Confirming By-Law.

Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bennett declared the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

MAYOR David M. Bennett

CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough