

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF HILTON BEACH

MINUTES

Council Meeting –May 13, 2020

7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers, Hilton Beach Municipal Office
3100 Bowker Street, Hilton Beach, Ontario

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Hope, Councillors Moore and Grant. Councillors Davison and Bailey Meeks were present via conference call.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

DELEGATIONS

Jerry Shields, CEMC re: COVID-19 Update

CEMC Shields advised that there were three new cases in Algoma District and in the Province of Ontario, the new cases declined to 329 as has been the case in all of Canada. The Border remains closed until at least June 21. The Province has indicated that marinas and other businesses will be able to open. There are checklists/tips on re-opening. He noted that the Chief Medical Officer makes recommendations and the Premier's office makes the final decisions on re-openings in the Province. They would like to have more random testing and would like to test at least 20,000 persons per day but they have not quite made the target yet. Persons in Nursing homes have all been tested and anyone who is feeling symptoms have been tested. It was noted that there is nothing concrete relating to vaccines. The World Health Organization has indicated that there has been some success with treating COVID-19 but there may never be a vaccine. However, there continues to be hope that there will be one that can be mass produced. There has been a second wave of the disease in South Korea.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Council Meeting minutes of April 8, 2019

20-55 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Grant

THAT the minutes of the Council meeting of April 8, 2020, be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

VOUCHERS

1. Total Voucher for the month of April, 2020 in the amount of \$55,038.04

20-56 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
Seconded by Councillor Davison

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council authorize the payment of Voucher #20-04 for April, 2020 in the amount of \$55,038.04.

CARRIED

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

1. Report from Clerk-Treasurer

Items discussed were as follows:

- The insurance for Volunteers has been cancelled as the events will not be proceeding this year;
- The Marina opening was discussed. The letter to boaters is to include information regarding COVID-19 issues.

20-57 Moved by Councillor Grant
Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council approves the waiving of all penalties and interest on both taxes and water/sewer until June 30, 2020; and that it be re-assessed at that time.

CARRIED

20-58 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
Seconded by Councillor Grant

THAT the notices be issued to individuals who are approaching Tax Sale deadlines.

CARRIED

20-59 Moved by Councillor Grant
 Seconded by Councillor Davison
 THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council establish a fee of \$500.00 to turn water off in the fall and an additional \$500.00 to turn the water on in the spring as a result of the high cost to replace the turn-off valves at the curb stop; and further that an agreement be entered into with the Village to indemnify the Village and the owner shall have a proper shut-off in their house that must be turned off.

CARRIED

20-60 Moved by Councillor Moore
 Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks
 THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council is willing to open the Marina and Boat Launch within the parameters set out by the provincial government and Algoma Public Health subject to all provincial guidelines and protocols being implemented.

CARRIED

20-61 Moved by Councillor Grant
 Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks
 THAT for individuals who are required to quarantine or isolate based on Federal, Provincial or Algoma Public Health directives, the Village of Hilton beach Council shall not permit anyone to do so in a boat in the Village of Hilton Beach Marina.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES/BOARDS

None

CORRESPONDENCE (Council Action)

1. Letter from Chris and Cindy Hore, Tilt'n Hilton Steakhouse and Beverage Co. re: various concerns including posting closure of parks, working with ratepayers/volunteers to reduce public spending, precarious position of all businesses resulting from COVID-19

Council noted that they are doing their best to continue to be fiscally responsible. The playgrounds have been posted as closed. The Village has approved no penalties and interest on taxes and water/sewer for specified time periods. There has been cost cutting including reduction of hours for office employees until the end of the year. Council has managed to keep the taxes to be raised the same as last year although distribution of taxes can go up or down depending on assessment.

CORRESPONDENCE (RECEIVE & FILE)

1. Letter from Ontario Clean Water Agency re: rising insurance costs – no increases to Village this year but could be increased next year
2. E-mail from Mary McRae to thank Council re: Yoga Studio
3. E-mail from Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition re: not seeking funding for 2020
4. Letter from Ontario Provincial Police re: 2021 Municipal Policing Billing Statement Property Count
5. E-mail from the Ministry of Solicitor General re: updates on the approach to prosecution of POA charges laid alleging violations of emergency orders made under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act
6. E-mail from Nicole Lindahl, Public Health Inspector – Emergency Management re: questions and answers on various issues
7. E-mail from the Province of Ontario re: A Framework for reopening the Province
8. Copy of letter sent from Township of Johnson to the Chief Medical Officer of Health re: Transparency of Algoma Public Health
9. E-mail from the City of Sault Ste. Marie re: building permits issued during construction restrictions

The above items were received and filed.

NEW BUSINESS

None

MAYOR/COUNCILLOR ITEMS

Items discussed were as follows:

- Kevin Ibbitson will do the street sweeping for the Village;
- A concern was expressed regarding the vehicle speed on Ringham Street. It was noted that a call should be made to the OPP when speeding is being noticed. Much of the OPP enforcement efforts is based on call statistics so if a number of calls are received from a municipality, there is a much greater chance that they will provide a greater amount of enforcement. Hopefully all residents with this concern will call the OPP using the non-emergency telephone number.
- The laundromat requires more cleaning and signage.
- There was concern regarding a very noisy 4-wheeler running around the Village which is another issue for the OPP.
- There was discussion regarding the Landfill hours – consideration will be given to changing the hours at the next Council meeting. All cars are to be stopped at the entrance. Concern was expressed that individuals from other Townships on the Island are using our landfill. New stickers are to be ordered to be distributed with taxes – they could be done in two different colours – one for the Village and one for Hilton Township.
- Sand and brush at the bottom of the South Street hill are to be cleared;
- There are trees at the landfill that require clearing as well.
- The dock at the gas dock is to be removed or repaired and the berm at the launch ramp requires repair.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual;
- Litigation or potential litigation

20-62 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Grant
THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council move into a closed meeting at 9:23 p.m. to consider the following subject matter; personal matters about an identifiable individual; and litigation or potential litigation.

CARRIED

RECONVENE TO REGULAR COUNCIL

20-63 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks
THAT the Village of Hilton Beach reconvene to the open meeting at 9:51 p.m.

CARRIED

BY-LAW

1. By-law No. 2020-08, being a By-law for Licensing and requiring the Registration of Dogs and for the control and care of Dogs within the Village of Hilton Beach

20-64 Moved by Councillor Moore
Seconded by Councillor Bailey Meeks
THAT By-law #2020-08, being a By-law for Licensing and requiring the Registration of Dogs and for the control and care of Dogs within the Village of Hilton Beach, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 13th day of May, 2020.

CARRIED

2. By-law No. 2020-09, being a By-law to Regulate and Prohibit the keeping of certain kinds of Animals within the Village of Hilton Beach

20-65 Moved by Councillor Bailey Meeks
Seconded by Councillor Grant
THAT By-law #2020-09, being a By-law to Regulate and Prohibit the keeping of certain kinds of Animals within the Village of Hilton Beach, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 13th day of May, 2020.

CARRIED

- 3. By-law No. 2020-10, being a By-law to authorize an Agreement between the Village of Hilton Beach and 2714384 Ontario Limited

20-66 Moved by Councillor Grant
 Seconded by Councillor Moore
 THAT By-law #2020-10, being a By-law to Authorize an Agreement between the Village of Hilton Beach and 2714384 Ontario Limited, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 13th day of May, 2020.
 CARRIED

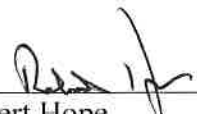
- 4. By-law No. 2020-11, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings and resolutions of Hilton Beach Council which were adopted up to and including the 13th day of May, 2020

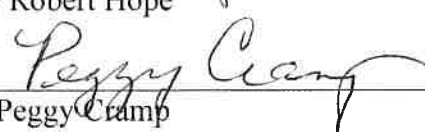
20-67 Moved by Councillor Grant
 Seconded by Councillor Moore
 THAT By-law No. 2020-11, being a By-law to confirm the proceeding and resolutions of Hilton Beach Council which were adopted up to and including May 13, 2020, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 13th day of May, 2020.
 CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

20-68 Moved by Councillor Davison
 Seconded by Councillor Moore
 THAT the Village of Hilton Beach Council adjourn at 10:16 p.m. to meet again on June 10, 2020 or at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED



 Mayor Robert Hope


 Clerk Peggy Cramp

NEW LANDFILL HOURS

Commencing July 4th, 2020

All Year: Saturdays—10 a.m.—3 p.m.
 Sundays—12 Noon—4 p.m.

Additional Hours from May 15 to Sept 15:

Wednesday— 12 Noon—5 p.m.

Monday of a long weekend: 12 Noon—4 p.m.