

TOWNSHIP OF HARLEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of APRIL 11TH, 2023
Held at the Harley Municipal Office

Present: **Reeve:** Pauline Archambault
Councillors: Clifford Fielder (Electronic Attendance)
 Marc Gosselin
 Sophie MacKewn
Staff: Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer
 Allison Doyon, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer
 Guy Godmaire, Road Superintendent
Regrets: Richard McNaughton

1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda

2023-055 **Moved:** **Sophie MacKewn** **Seconded:** **Marc Gosselin**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of April 11th, 2023 at 7:32 p.m.
 “CARRIED”

2023-056 **Moved:** **Marc Gosselin** **Seconded:** **Sophie MacKewn**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, accept the agenda as presented:
 “CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Minutes

a. Regular Meeting of March 14th, 2023

2023-057 **Moved:** **Sophie MacKewn** **Seconded:** **Marc Gosselin**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, adopt the following minutes:
 1. Regular Meeting of March 14th, 2023 as amended.
 “CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Delegations:

None

5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2023-03

2023-058 **Moved:** **Marc Gosselin** **Seconded:** **Sophie MacKewn**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Harley, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$41,815.44
Fire	\$8,050.36
Recreation	\$2,905.94
Admin	<u>\$104,423.86</u>
Total Voucher 2023-03	\$157,195.60

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6. Reports from Staff & Others

a. Road’s Department Report

The Road Superintendent reports that half load season has started and will advise when posted signs are removed. The snow run off is going

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well and there are no known issues at the present time. The Road Superintendent reports that his request for a meeting with OGRA regarding Maybrook Road has been accepted by the Minister of Infrastructure, and his representatives will be present at the meeting scheduled for April 18th, 2023. The Superintendent also received a few quotes for a new grader. A Caterpillar was quoted at \$604,765. A John Deere 772 G would be \$568,805. And John Deere 772 GP at \$588,200. He also reports that the renovations at the Hall are going along well and may be finished by end of May. Four loads of gravel were put down near the landfill entrance. Resumes are still being accepted to fill the Summer Student position, and interviews will start shortly.

b. Fire's Department Report

The Fire Chief Reports that all fire trucks have had their annual safety. The Fire Chief has notified and placed 2 members on suspension for excessive absences. Members have completed their First Aid re-certifications. The Fire Chief also reports that they had no fire calls last month. The Fire Chief also presented a letter from the Hudson Fire Department regarding preliminary discussion for hiring an administrative fire chief. Council discussed how mandatory certification is negatively affecting the fire department. The Fire Chief will forward his recommendation for the fire chief and deputy fire chief position to council.

c. Others

- i. Minutes of the Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health – January 25th, 2023**
- ii. DTSSAB – Annual Report 2022**
- iii. Fire Department Minutes – February 1st, 2023**

2023-059 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge receipt and accept the following reports/minutes, and that it be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting:

- a. Road's Department Report
- b. Fire's Department Report & MEMO-23-013
- c. Others
 - i. Minutes of the Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health – January 25th, 2023
 - ii. DTSSAB – Annual Report 2022
 - iii. Fire Department Minutes – February 1st, 2023

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7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration:

a. Chatham-Kent – Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

No Action

b. Township of Lucan Biddulph – Barriers for Women in Politics

No Action

c. Town of Kirkland Lake – Bill 42 Gender Affirmation Healthcare Act

No Action

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d. Township of Lucan Biddulph – Future Accuracy of Permanent Register of Electors

No Action

e. Chatham-Kent – Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

No Action

f. Association of Ontario Road Supervisors – Enbridge Gas Utility Locates Fee Proposal

2023-060 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Marc Gosselin**

WHEREAS, Enbridge recently made an announcement of their intention to begin charging third-party contractors and other utilities \$200 CAD (plus applicable taxes) for utility locates where a field locate is required;

AND WHEREAS, third-party contractors include Ontario municipalities;

AND WHEREAS, these locate requests are only required as Ontario municipalities have allowed utilities to use municipal right of ways at no charge to the utilities;

AND WHEREAS, this announcement of new downloaded costs will negatively impact the budgets of Ontario municipalities which are already burdened;

AND WHEREAS, if Enbridge is successful in implementing this new charge, a precedence is set for other utility companies to also begin charging for locates;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Township of Harley strongly opposes these utility locate costs being downloaded to Ontario municipalities by Enbridge Gas or other utilities;

AND THAT, the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery make it clear that these costs must be borne by the utilities themselves;

AND THAT, this decision be forwarded to Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma, Minister of Energy Todd Smith, Premier Doug Ford, MPP John Vanthof, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

“CARRIED”

8. Correspondence for Council's Information:

- a. DTSSAB – Homelessness in Ontario**
- b. Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources & Forestry – Inspection of the 2023-2024 Annual Work Schedule on the Temagami Forest**
- c. MNFR – Amendments to O. Reg 161/17 – Floating Accommodations and Camping over Public Lands**
- d. Earlton-Timiskaming Region Airport Authority Municipal Contributions**

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e. MEMO-23-012 – Correspondence Re: OGRA Delegation Meeting Request

9. Other Business:

a. Little Claybelt Homesteader Museum – Donation 2023

2023-061 **Moved: Marc Gosselin Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge receipt of The Little Miss Claybelt Homesteaders Museum’s donation request in the amount of \$200.00. to continue to preserve the district’s heritage; and

Direct municipal staff to issue payment in the amount of \$200.00
“CARRIED”

b. MEMO – J.L. Richards – Official Plan and Zoning By-Laws 31736 – Prime Designation

2023-062 **Moved: Marc Gosselin Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge MEMO from J.L. Richards & Associates Limited regarding a proposed scope change related to the mapping and policies for designating prime agricultural areas for the Official Plan and Zoning By-Laws; and

Direct municipal staff to direct J.L. Richards to proceed with the LEAR method.
“CARRIED”

c. MEMO-23-012 – Meeting Regarding Prime Agriculture Designation

10. By-Laws

a. By-Law 2023-06 Being a by-law to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to delegate powers and duties for the purpose of holding council and committee meetings in accordance with the Township of Harley’s procedural by-law
[three readings]

2023-063 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That **By-Law No. 2023-06**, being a by-law to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to delegate powers and duties for the purpose of holding council and committee meetings in accordance with the Township of Harley’s procedural by-law, be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2023-064 **Moved: Marc Gosselin Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That **By-Law No. 2023-06**, being a by-law to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to delegate powers and duties for the purpose of holding council and committee meetings in accordance with the Township of Harley’s procedural by-law, be read a third time and hereby engrossed in the By-Law book.
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b. By-Law 2023-07 Being a by-law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner
[three readings]

2023-065 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That **By-Law No. 2023-07**, being a by-law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner, be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2023-066 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That **By-Law No. 2023-07**, being a by-law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner, be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the By-Law book.
“CARRIED”

11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

a. Volunteer Firefighter Attendance

2023-067 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, agree to enter closed session at 9:17 pm to discuss the following item:

- Volunteer Firefighter Attendance

“CARRIED”

2023-068 **Moved: Marc Gosselin** **Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, agree to arise from the closed session at 9:41 pm.
“CARRIED”

12. Adjournment:

2023-069 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn** **Seconded: Marc Gosselin**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:42 pm and will meet again on May 9th, 2023 or at the call of the Reeve.
“CARRIED”


Pauline Archambault, Reeve


Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer