

TOWNSHIP OF HARLEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of JANUARY 14TH, 2025
Held at the Harley Municipal Office

Present: **Reeve:** Pauline Archambault
 Councillors: Sophie MacKewn
 Richard McNaughton
 Staff: Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer
 Guy Godmaire, Road Superintendent
 Logan Miron, Fire Chief
Regrets: Marc Gosselin, Councillor (electronic participation)
 Clifford Fielder, Councillor (electronic failure)

1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda:

- 2025-001 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of January 14th, 2025 at 7:33 p.m.
“CARRIED”
- 2025-002 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
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 December 10th, 2024

- 2025-003 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, adopt the following minutes:
 a. Regular Meeting of December 10th, 2024 as presented.
“CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

None

4. Delegations:

None

5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2024-12

- 2025-004 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$98,333.86
Fire	\$24,282.70
Recreation	\$3,366.14
Admin	\$68,573.87
Total Voucher 2024-12	\$194,556.57

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6. Reports from Staff & Others:

a. Roads Department Report

The Road Superintendent reports that the safeties were completed on trucks and there were a number of repairs required. There was a lot of

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rain towards the end of December that resulted in some flooding. One of the trucks experienced some mechanical issues which were repaired by Dave Visser.

Equipment inventory:

Loader (2004) has 12,425 hrs. New tires are needed as well as pins and bushings.

Truck 6 (2004) has 8,025 hrs and 274,467 kms. Should be replaced soon.

Truck 8 (2015) has 3,770 hrs and 113,874 kms.

½ ton (2022) has 95,020 kms.

JD Grader (2024) has 548 hrs.

The steamer is still in good shape.

Council directed the Road Superintendent to start looking for quotes on the cost of a new plow truck.

b. Fire Department Report

The Fire Chief Reports that there were no calls in November, but there were 4 MVC calls in December. Office staff, along with the Fire Chief, have set up an account to claim costs for attending highway calls from MTO. The Deputy Fire Chief, Alex Brazeau, has made the decision to resign when there is a new Deputy appointed.

c. Others

i. Temiskaming Municipal Services Association Updates and Meeting Minutes September 11th, 2024

2025-005 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, recommend that the Temiskaming Municipal Services Association (TMSA) adopt planning services as a mandatory core offering; and
Direct municipal staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the TMSA.
“CARRIED”

ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health – Minutes Oct 2nd & Nov 6th, 2024

iii. Treasurer’s Report – December 2024

iv. Reports from Council and Staff

2025-006 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
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. Roads Department Report

b. Fire Department Report

c. Others

i. Temiskaming Health Unit Board of Health – Minutes Oct 2nd & Nov 6th, 2024

ii. Treasurer’s Report – December 2024

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7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration:

a. Township of Evanturel – Funding – 2025 – Hope Air

2025-007 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
WHEREAS the government of the Province of Ontario has made important enhancements to the Northern Health Travel Grant;
AND WHEREAS these enhancements will provide meaningful support through partial reimbursement of travel expenses for those travelling long distances for medical care;

AND WHEREAS upfront costs for airfare, accommodations, and other necessities often reach thousands of dollars with some essential travel expenses continuing to remain ineligible for reimbursement;

AND WHEREAS Hope Air continues to bridge this gap, complementing the government's policy to reduce barriers of distance and cost in access to health care for Northern Ontario patients;

AND WHEREAS the demand for the services of Hope Air continues to grow;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Harley requests the Ministry of Health consider funding Hope Air, in 2025, to support its vital work in assisting the residents of Northern Ontario to receive access to the health care they deserve;

AND FURTHER that the resolution be directed to the Minister of Health; and circulated to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Finance; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; the Temiskaming Municipal Association; and the Municipalities in the District of Temiskaming.
"CARRIED"

b. FONOM – Financial Sustainability in Child Welfare

2025-008 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, support the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities' resolution regarding financial sustainability in child welfare; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

"CARRIED"

8. Correspondence for Council's Information:

**a. Porcupine_Timiskaming Health Unit – Voluntary Merger
Confirmation Media Release Dec 2024**

b. Coeur du Village – Thank You Letter

c. TMSA-Nomination and Consent Form

d. OPP Billing 2025 – Update [no item]

The Clerk-Treasurer provided council with a verbal update that the administrative office received official correspondence confirming that the OPP Billing for 2025 was revised, and the expected 22% increase was reduced to only a 5% increase.

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9. Other Business:

a. Memo-25-001 – Website Security

2025-009 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge receipt of *Memo 25-001 – Website Security* regarding the Township of Harley’s municipal website; and

Direct municipal staff to engage the services of Encompass IT for hosting, monthly support of, and maintaining the municipal website at a cost of \$129/month plus applicable taxes.

“CARRIED”

b. Memo-25-002 – Deputy Reeve Appointment

2025-010 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge receipt of *Memo 25-002 – Deputy Reeve Appointment*; and

Direct municipal staff to prepare the necessary by-law to appoint a Deputy Reeve for the Township of Harley.

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10. By-Laws:

a. By-Law 2025-01 Being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of the interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date
[three readings]

2025-011 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That **By-Law No. 2025-01**, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of the interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2025-012 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That **By-Law No. 2025-01**, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of the interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

b. By-Law 2025-02 Being a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Harley to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025
[three readings]

2025-013 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That **By-Law No. 2025-02**, being a by-law of the Township of Harley to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures

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during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025 be received and read a first and second time.

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- 2025-014 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That **By-Law No. 2025-02**, being a by-law of the Township of Harley to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025 be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

c. **By-Law 2025-03** Being a by-law to authorize a municipal forest fire management agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources
[three readings]

- 2025-015 **Moved: Sophie MacKewn Seconded: Richard McNaughton**
That **By-Law No. 2025-03**, being a by-law to authorize a municipal forest fire management agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

- 2025-016 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That **By-Law No. 2025-03**, being a by-law to authorize a municipal forest fire management agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

d. **By-Law 2025-04** Being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for fire protection grant between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Harley
[three readings]

- 2025-017 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That **By-Law No. 2025-04**, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario transfer payment agreement for the fire protection grant between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Harley be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

- 2025-018 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That **By-Law No. 2025-04**, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario transfer payment agreement for the fire protection grant between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Harley be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

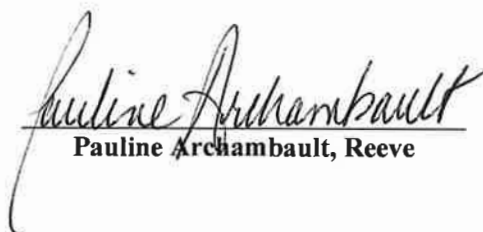
11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

None

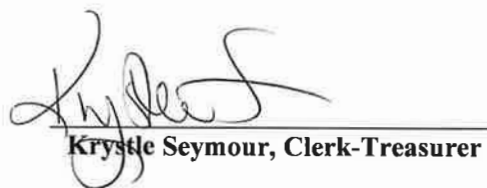
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12. Adjournment:

2025-019 **Moved: Richard McNaughton Seconded: Sophie MacKewn**
That we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, adjourn the
Regular Meeting at 8:54 p.m. and will meet again on February 11th, 2025 or at
the call of the Reeve.
"CARRIED"



Pauline Archambault, Reeve



Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer