

TOWNSHIP OF HUDSON
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2023
Held at the Hudson Community Hall

Present: **Reeve:** Larry Craig
 Councillors: Crystal Gauthier
 Dana McLean
 Greg Seed
 Staff: Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer
 Eric Lavallee, Road Superintendent
Regrets: Clayton Seymour, Councillor

1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda

2023-137 **Moved:** **Crystal Gauthier** **Seconded:** **Dana McLean**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of September 6th, 2023 at 7:31 p.m.
“CARRIED”

2023-138 **Moved:** **Dana McLean** **Seconded:** **Crystal Gauthier**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, accept the agenda as amended:
 • Add: 9. e. MNR Signage
“CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Minutes

a. Regular Meeting of August 2nd, 2023

2023-139 **Moved:** **Crystal Gauthier** **Seconded:** **Greg Seed**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, adopt the following minutes:
 a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 2nd, 2023 as presented.
“CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Delegations/Presentation:

a. Brent Parsons M. Sc. I Senior Aquatic Scientist – Lake Capacity Study (virtual presentation)

Brent Parsons from Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Ltd. presented the lakes capacity assessment report to council. He outlined the objectives, approach, results, and recommendations. The modeling shows that Bartle, Fairy, and Upper Twins Lakes are over capacity and there is no room for development. There remains some capacity for development on Pike and Lower Twin Lakes. There is an increasing trend of phosphorus on Upper and Lower Twin Lakes, and the shallow nature of Pike Lake limits recreational opportunities. Some of the recommendations were to:

- Continue water quality monitoring through the lake partner program.
- Ensure sewage treatment systems meet the standards as outlined in the Ontario Building Code, and replace any dysfunctional systems with ones that meet the OBC requirements.

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- Develop official plan policies for the shoreline development to encouraging naturally vegetated shoreline buffers, prohibit new lot creations on Bartle, Fairy and Upper Twin Lakes.
- Allow additional development on Lower Twin and Pike Lakes but ensure that additional development proceeds in accordance with minimum development standards and best management practices.

The final report will be posted on the municipal website once available.

2023-140 **Moved: Greg Seed** **Seconded: Crystal Gauthier**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge presentation of the Hudson Lakes Capacity Study Report by Brent Parsons, Senior Aquatic Scientist at Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Ltd.; and

Accept the report as received, and direct municipal staff to forward the final report to the Hudson Lakes Association.
“CARRIED”

5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2023-08

2023-141 **Moved: Dana McLean** **Seconded: Greg Seed**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$206,741.11
Fire	\$9,555.38
Admin	\$34,146.28
Total Voucher 2023-08	<u>\$250,442.77</u>

“CARRIED”

6. Reports from Staff & Others

a. Road’s Department Report

The Road Superintendent reports that repairs to Morrow Road are almost complete. Graded roads when weather permitted as well as the shoulders in Twin Lake area. Calcium was applied on Hillview Road and a field laneway culvert on Milberta Road was replaced. Gravel was applied on Pit Road and signs were replaced as necessary throughout the Township. Regular maintenance was performed on equipment, and debris and fallen trees were cleaned up after experiencing some periods of high winds.

b. Fire Department Report

The Fire Department reports that they responded to a tractor on fire on highway 65 as well as a structure fire caused by lightning at Twin Lakes.

c. Others

i. Eco-Logix’s Landfill Report – July 2023

ii. Treasurer’s Report August 2023

iii. TMSA Meeting Minutes – July 5th and Aug 3rd, 2023

iv. Recreation Report – August 2023

Recreation report as received. Lights in the arena will be updated under the lighting program. Recreation committee will arrange.

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- 2023-142 **Moved: Greg Seed** **Seconded: Crystal Gauthier**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson 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
 - c. Others
 - i. Eco-Logix's Landfill Report – July 2023
 - ii. TMSA Meeting Minutes – July 5th and Aug 3rd, 2023
 - iii. Treasurer's Report August 2023
 - iv. Recreation Report – August 2023

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7. **Correspondence for Council's Consideration:**
 - a. **Township of Severn – Climate Emergency Just Transition Transfer**

No Action
 - b. **City of Hamilton – Greenbelt Plan Amendments**

No Action
8. **Correspondence for Council's Information:**
 - a. **Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Building Faster Fund**
 - b. **Ministry of Infrastructure – Red Tape Reduction Measures**
 - c. **Timiskaming/Porcupine Health Unit – Voluntary Merger**
9. **Other Business:**
 - a. **South Temiskaming ATV Club**

- 2023-143 **Moved: Greg Seed** **Seconded: Dana McLean**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of letter and map from the South Temiskaming ATV Club (STAC) regarding a proposed ATV trail on Rockley Road, Hillview Road, Spring Lake Road and the C Road to access Hudson/Firstbrook forest access road; and

Direct municipal staff to provide a written response to the ATV Club, making them aware to respect and be aware of private property.

“CARRIED”

- b. **LEAR Study - Update**

- 2023-144 **Moved: Crystal Gauthier** **Seconded: Dana McLean**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of staff MEMO-23-013 regarding an update of the LEAR Study and the recommendation to appoint an agriculture committee to review the prime agriculture boundaries; and

That Council of the Township of Hudson does hereby appoint the following individuals to the agriculture committee for the purposes of evaluating the LEAR study prime agriculture boundaries:

- 1) Larry Craig
- 2) Greg Seed
- 3) Jim Johnston

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2023-149 **Moved: Greg Seed** **Seconded: Crystal Gauthier**
That **By-Law No. 2023-15**, being a by-law to provide for the regulation and control of animals within the Township of Hudson, be received and read a third time and hereby engrossed in the By-Law book as amended.
Remove: 2.2
"CARRIED"

c. By-Law 2023-16 Being a by-law to authorize the signing of a fire protection services reimbursement transfer payment agreement between the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Hudson
[three readings]

2023-150 **Moved: Greg Seed** **Seconded: Dana McLean**
That **By-Law No. 2023-16**, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a fire protection services reimbursement transfer payment agreement between the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Hudson, be received and read a first and second time.
"CARRIED"

2023-151 **Moved: Dana McLean** **Seconded: Greg Seed**
That **By-Law No. 2023-16**, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a fire protection services reimbursement transfer payment agreement between the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Hudson, be received and read a third time and hereby engrossed in the By-Law book.
"CARRIED"

11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

a. None

12. Adjournment:

2023-152 **Moved: Dana McLean** **Seconded: Crystal Gauthier**
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:40 pm and will meet again on October 4th, 2023 or at the call of the Reeve.
"CARRIED"


Larry Craig, Reeve


Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer