TOWNSHIP OF HUDSON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

of APRIL 3RD, 2024

Held at the Hudson Community Hall

Present:

Reeve:

Larry Craig

Councillors: Crystal Gauthier

Dana McLean Greg Seed

Clayton Seymour

Staff:

Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer

Eric Lavallee, Road Superintendent (arrived at 7:40)

Others:

3 Members of the Public

Regrets:

Jason Morrow, Fire Chief

1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda

2024-048

Crystal Gauthier Moved:

Seconded: Dana McLean

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, open the Regular

Meeting of Council of April 3rd, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

"CARRIED"

2024-049

Moved: **Clayton Seymour** Seconded: **Crystal Gauthier**

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, accept the agenda as presented.

"CARRIED"

2. Adoption of Minutes

a. Regular Meeting of March 6th, 2024

b. Closed Session Minutes of March 6th, 2024

2024-050

Greg Seed Moved:

Seconded: **Clayton Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, adopt the

following minutes:

a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 6th, 2024 as amended.

b. Closed Session Minutes of March 6th, as presented.

"CARRIED"

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Delegations/Presentation:

None

5. Payment of Accounts - Voucher No. 2024-03

2024-051

Moved: Crystal Gauthier

Greg Seed Seconded:

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson, do hereby, approve the

payment of accounts as presented:

\$20,347.08 Roads \$3,999.43 Fire \$81,892.69 General Administration \$106,239.20 Total Voucher 2024-03

"CARRIED"

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6. Reports from Staff & Others

a. Road's Department Report

The Road's Superintendent reports that plowing and sanding took place as necessary. Some roads were scarified with the grader. 2 culverts were steamed and some ditches were cleaned out. Half loads were put on municipal roads March 7th. Regular maintenance was performed on equipment. Roads projects were discussed for 2024, and Council would like to prioritize Hillview Rd this year under the NORDS funding. The surface treatment needs to be pulverized and then have a gravel lift applied to it. The Western Star is in need of a new tailgate. The road superintendent will get some quotes. A new lawnmower was also discussed to save time on grass cutting. The Township pickup is starting to show its age and is in need of replacement in the near future.

b. Fire Department Report

The Fire Chief report states that budget needs for 2024 were discussed and quotes were sourced for new SCBA gear. Fire Aid training was completed in March by members. During the training meeting of March 18th, radio communication was practiced, the medical bag was checked over and the AED battery and pads were replaced on the defibrillator. The Fire chief also reports that the budget, SCBA costs, and mini pumper prices were discussed during the Officer's meeting of March 25th. They have also started work on the Community Risk Assessment which needs to be completed by July 1st, 2024.

c. Others

- i. Eco-Logix's Landfill Report February 2024
- ii. Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Minutes of January 2024 & Financials
- iii. Timiskaming Health Unit Minutes January 31st, 2024
- iv. TMSA Minutes Feb 7 2024_Financials 2023_Planning Fees Letter
- v. Recreation Report [no item]

The recreation committee reports that the ice is officially done for the season. The committee is currently organizing a flower workshop they anticipate holding early May at the Hudson Community Hall.

vi. Reports from Council and Staff [no item]

2024-052 Moved: Dana McLean Seconded: Greg Seed

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 February 2024
 - ii. Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Minutes of January 2024 & Financials
 - iii. Timiskaming Health Unit Minutes January 31st, 2024
 - iv. TMSA Minutes Feb7 2024_Financials_2023 Planning Fees Letter
 - v. Recreation Report [no item]
 - vi. Reports from Council and Staff [no item]

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7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration:

a. City of Clarence-Rockland - 9-8-8 National Crisis Hotline

No Action

b. Township of Calvin - National Fire Fighting Strategy

No Action

c. Municipality of Amaranth – Equivalent Representative Operational Budget Funding

2024-053 Moved: Dana McLean Seconded: Crystal Gauthier
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, support the
Municipality of Amaranth's resolution calling on the Province of Ontario to
treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational
budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to the Township of Amaranth.

"CARRIED"

d. Township of Adelaide-Metcalfe - Increase Tile Drain Loan Limit

Moved: Crystal Gauthier Seconded: Greg Seed
That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, support The
Township of Adelaide Metcalfe's request to the Province of Ontario through
the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) to consider
increasing the maximum annual Tile Loan limit to a minimum of \$100,000;
and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to The Township of Adelaide Metcalfe.

"CARRIED"

- 8. Correspondence for Council's Information:
 - a. Community Safety Well Being Committee Update February 2024
 - b. MNRF Annual Work Schedule 2024-2025 Temagami Forest
 - c. Memo-24-004 Community Risk Assessment Update
- 9. Other Business:
 - a. Little Claybelt Homesteaders Museum Donation Request
- 2024-055 Moved: Crystal Gauthier Seconded: Dana McLean
 That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of The Little Claybelt Homesteaders Museum's donation request to continue to preserve the district's heritage; and

Direct municipal staff to issue payment of \$200 as a donation to The Little Claybelt Homesteaders Museum.

"CARRIED"

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- b. Township of Hudson RFQ-2024-01 Gravel Crushing Official Result
- 2024-056 Moved: Greg Seed Seconded: Clayton Seymour

 That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of the official results for RFQ-2024-01 Gravel Crushing which is to be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting; and

Direct the Clerk-Treasurer to prepare a by-law authorizing an agreement between Miller Paving Ltd. and the Township of Hudson. "CARRIED"

- c. Memo-24-005 Asset Retirement Obligation
- 2024-057 Moved: Crystal Gauthier Seconded: Clayton Seymour
 That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of a Memo 24-005 Asset Retirement Obligation; and
 Direct municipal staff to proceed with the municipal auditor's recommendation as outlined in the memo; and

Direct municipal staff to continue to research and recommend the most costeffective and efficient way of completing the required report for our municipal auditor in a timely manner. "CARRIED"

- d. Memo-24-006 Blue Box Transition Depot Operations
- 2024-058 **Moved: Crystal Gauthier Seconded: Dana McLean**That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of a Memo 24-006 Blue Box Transition Depot Operations; and

Direct municipal staff to notify Circular Materials that currently the preference is for The Township of Hudson to continue to operate the recycling depot at the Hudson Landfill site.

"CARRIED"

- e. Community Hall Floor Protection [no item]
- Moved: Greg Seed Seconded: Dana McLean
 That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, direct municipal staff to have the floors waxed at the Community Hall in order to preserve and protect the flooring.

 "CARRIED"
 - f. Memo-24-007 Waste Diversion Opportunity
- 2024-060 Moved: Crystal Gauthier Seconded: Greg Seed

 That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, acknowledge receipt of a Memo 24-007 Fabric/Textile Recycling Diversion Opportunity; and

Direct municipal staff to notify "Sic Sox" that Hudson would like to have a bin placed and emptied free of charge at the Community Hall. "CARRIED"

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Reeve Craig notified Council that someone approached him asking if they could remove the dead pine off the property north of the Hudson Cemetery. Council discussed and passed the following resolution:

2024-061 Moved: Greg Seed Seconded: Clayton Seymour

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, provide written permission to Mark Villneff to remove the dead pine, north of the Cemetery property during 2024; and

That the Township assumes no risk for him to remove the material; and

That the Township is not liable for any costs incurred to remove the material; and

That Mark provides notice to the Road Superintendent when he begins and ends removing such material. "CARRIED"

10. By-Laws

None

11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

None

12. Adjournment:

2024-062 Moved: Dana McLean Seconded: Greg Seed

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:16 pm and will meet again on May 1st, 2024 or at the call of the Reeve.

"CARRIED"

Larry Craig, Reeve

Kystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer