

The Corporation of the Township of Gillies
Regular Council Meeting Minutes for March 27, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Present: Wendy Wright, Reeve
Rudy Buitenhuis, Councillor
Bill Groenheide, Councillor
Elizabeth Jones, Councillor

Also Present: Lynda Lex, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Scott Hole, Fire Chief
Members of the public (virtual)

Not Present: Laura Bruni, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer
Daniel Vanlenthe, Councillor

1. Call to order

Reeve Wright called the meeting to order 6:32pm.

The Township of Gillies respectfully acknowledges that the lands on which we live, and work are the traditional lands of the Anishinabek Nation and the traditional territory of Fort William First Nation, signatory to the Robinson-Superior Treaty of 1850.

As partners with First Nations communities, the Métis Nation of Ontario, and Inuit people, the Municipality is committed to the common vision of a healthy, safe and sustainable community.

2. Confirmation of the agenda

Resolution No. 2023-61

Moved By: Councillor Groenheide
Seconded By: Councillor Jones

Be it resolved that the regular meeting agenda for the Township of Gillies held on March 27, 2023 be adopted as presented.
Carried

3. Declaration of pecuniary interest

4. Adoption of the minutes

4.1 Minutes – Regular Meeting – February 27, 2023

Resolution No. 2023-62

Moved By: Councillor Jones
Seconded By: Councillor Groenheide

Be it resolved that the regular meeting minutes for the Township of Gillies held on February 27, 2023 be adopted as prepared.
Carried

4.2 Minutes – Regular Meeting – March 13, 2023

Resolution No. 2023-63

Moved By: Councillor Buitenhuis

Seconded By: Councillor Jones

Be it resolved that the regular meeting minutes for the Township of Gillies held on March 13, 2023 be adopted as amended.

Carried

Amendments were to change clerical errors.

5. Visitors and deputations

6. Finances and accounts

6.1 Accounts Payable – Payment Register as of March 21, 2023

Resolution No. 2023-63

Moved By: Councillor Groenheide

Seconded By: Councillor Jones

Be it resolved that the Expense Disbursement List as of March 21, 2023 in the amount of \$39,038.21 be approved for payment.

Carried

6.2 Payroll – Employee Cheque History Report – Pay Period 09

Resolution No. 2023-64

Moved By: Councillor Groenheide

Seconded By: Councillor Buitenhuis

Be it resolved that the Employee Cheque History Payroll Report in the amount of \$6,210.79 Pay Period 9 be approved for payment.

Carried

7. Administrative reports

7.1 Fire Chief's Report – February 2023

Report Filed. Chief Hole further reported on the addition of a new volunteer to the Volunteer Fire Team. Chief Hole also reported that wildfire training will take place in the spring and that vehicles need to be declared surplus so they can be sold.

7.2 Admin Report – January 26, 2023

Report Filed. Council requested staff to follow up on items related to the weed inspector position and the budget process.

7.3 Council Reports – Verbal

Councillor Groenheide – No report

Councillor Buitenhuis – Reported on his attendance at the annual Veterinary Services meeting. Further he will be attending the upcoming Conservation Authority meeting.

Councillor Jones – Reported she will be attending the LRPB meeting being held in May.

Reeve Wright – Reported on her attendance at the TBDML where Councillor Buitenhuis received recognition for being on council for 20 years.

8. Correspondence

8.1 Letter from Municipal Engineers Association re: 2023 bursary awards program For information. Filed.

8.2 Letter from MECP re: modernization of the environmental assessment process

For information. Filed.

8.3 Letter from MMAH re: 2023 Annual Repayment Limit
For information. Filed.

8.4 Email from University of Waterloo re: invitation to participate in waste study
For information. Filed.

8.5 Email from NOMA re: webinar about net zero emissions for building codes
For information. Filed.

8.6 Email from Oliver Paipoonge re: Harstone bridge closure public notice
For information. Filed.

8.7 Email from LAS-AMO re: 2023 risk management free webinar
For information. The Clerk/Deputy Treasurer will be attending.

9. Unfinished business

9.1 Email from Paul Greenwood, CAO (Shuniah) re: OPP Detachment update
For information. (Council requested this info at the last meeting)

9.2 Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Report 2023-04 re: Ontario's transition to producer responsibility

Resolution No. 2023-65

Moved By: Councillor Jones

Seconded By: Councillor Buitenhuis

Whereas, the Township of Gillies is transitioning to full producer responsibility beginning July 1, 2024.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Gillies chooses to opt-in and continue to operate at Gillies Landfill with Circular Materials and that a Producer Services Agreement be prepared for future consideration.

Carried

9.3 Quotation from Strongco re: grader repairs

The consensus of Council was to explore options before making a decision. This matter will be brought back to a future council meeting.

10. New business

11. By-laws

12. Closed session

Closed to the public pursuant to Section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act to discuss matters related to identifiable individuals including municipal or local board employees, and Section 239 (2) (f) Solicitor-client privilege.

Matters being to review payroll information, review closed minutes, discuss matter related to solicitor-client privilege, and to receive HR information.

Time: 7:33 PM

Resolution No. 2023-66

Moved By: Councillor Jones

Seconded By: Councillor Groenheide

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Carried

Resolution No. 2023-67

Moved By: Councillor Buitenhuis

Seconded By: Councillor Groenheide

Be it resolved that the time being 8:00PM we do now rise from the closed session and return to the open meeting.

Carried

Resolution No. 2023-68

Moved By: Councillor Buitenhuis

Seconded By: Councillor Jones

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Gillies authorizes administration to proceed as directed in the closed session.

Carried

Resolution No. 2023-69

Moved By: Councillor Jones

Seconded By: Councillor Buitenhuis


Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Closed Meeting held on March 13th, 2023 be approved as amended.

Carried


Amendments were to change clerical errors.

13. Adjournment

Time: 8:02 PM



Reeve



Deputy Clerk