

THE CORPORATION of the UNITED TOWNSHIPS of HEAD, CLARA & MARIA
MINUTES



Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on April 18, 2024.

1. Call to Order and Moment of Silence

Mayor Grills called the meeting to order at 2:05 P.M.

Let us take a moment of silent reflection to contemplate in our own way the responsibility we have to collectively use our skills and experience to ensure the mutual long-term benefit of our Municipality and those we represent.

2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement

As we gather this morning (afternoon), I would like to acknowledge on behalf of Council and our community that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Algonquin People. We would like to thank the Algonquin people and express our respect and support for their rich history, and we are extremely grateful for their many and continued displays of friendship. We also thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands for years.

3. Roll Call – The following persons were present: Mayor Debbi Grills, Councillors: Chris Dowser, Fran Kelly-Chamberlain, Karen LeClerc and Rachel Richer.

Meeting Clerk: Peggy Young-Lovelace

4. Recital of the Municipal Mission and Vision Statements – Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain

HCM Mission: At your service; working effectively to bring together people, partnerships and potential for a strong, connected community.

HCM Vision: Providing a healthy, connected, and sustainable community teeming with possibilities for our citizens now and into the future.

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary interest & General Nature Thereof – None were disclosed.

6. Deputations/Presentations – None

7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolution No.: 2024-041

Moved by Councillor Richer and seconded by Councillor LeClerc

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Thursday March 21, 2024, be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

8. Petitions and Correspondence - Information Only – (Please advise if you feel any item warrants further consideration)

Resolution No.: 2024-042

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Dowser

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Information Items be accepted as circulated with the exception of items 1, 3, & 5 which Council further directs that the Clerk draft responses to same.

Carried

9. Mayor's Report

Mayor Grills provided a report to Council (Copy on File)

Resolution No.: 2024-043

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor Richer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor's Report be received as presented.

Carried Unanimously

10. Staff Reports – None

11. Financial Reports - None

12. By-Laws - None

13. Unfinished Business

a. Provision of Blue Box Service to Non-Eligible Sources

Resolution No.: 2024-044

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria will continue to provide Blue Box collection services to non-eligible sources and directs staff to prepare a feasibility study for the continuation of Blue Box collection services to non-eligible sources;

AND FURTHER THAT the study be completed by the Regular Council Meeting in October for Council to consider.

Carried Unanimously

14. Addendum (New Business)

a. Hall Upgrades

Resolution No.: 2027-045

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor LeClerc

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria will borrow from the Township's reserve funds to carry out the needed repairs/renovation/retrofit of the Hall kitchen and that the funds be repaid plus interest over a ten-year period;

AND FURTHER THAT a bylaw authorizing the borrowing of up to \$170,000 from the reserve fund over a ten-year term, at 7.2% interest with a quarterly payback schedule, be tabled at the May 15, 2024 Council Meeting.

Defeated Unanimously

15. Notice of Motion – (To be used by members of Council to introduce new areas of business they wish to discuss in the future) – None

16. Closed Session

Move Into Closed Session

Resolution No.: 2024-046

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor Richer

BE IT RESOLVED Council for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria does now move into Closed Session at 3:14 p.m. pursuant to section 239(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, (d) labour relations or employe negotiations and (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications for that purpose, to consider:

- i. Review of Closed Session Minutes from March 21, 2024.
- ii. Receive an Update regarding the Municipal Administrator's Leave of Absence
- iii. Receive advice from the Municipal Solicitor regarding
 - a. Employer Obligations
 - b. Return to Work Trust Fund

Carried Unanimously

Return to Open Sesson

Resolution No.: 2024-047

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor Dowser

BE IT RESOLVED Council for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria does now return to Open Session at 4:02 p.m. and reports that Council received an update regarding the Municipal Administrators leave of absence, advice from the municipal solicitor regarding employer obligations and duty to accommodate as well as the creation of a "Return to Work" trust fund;

AND FURTHER THAT direction was given.

Carried Unanimously

17. Information Sharing (Formerly Questions and Answers)

18. Confirmation of Proceedings

Resolution No.: 2024-048

Moved By Councillor Richer and Seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-07 being a by-law to confirm proceedings of Council at their Regular Meeting of April 18, 2044, be read a first time short and passed.

Carried Unanimously

19. Adjournment

Resolution No.: 2024-049

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor LeClerc

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 4:07 p.m. to meet again on Thursday May 15, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



MAYOR



CLERK

