

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL IN CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025, 7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday June 17th, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Brenda Reid
Councillor Dwayne Elliott
Councillor Jennifer Hooper
Councillor Janice Bowerman
Councillor Robert Maguire

Staff: Alton Hobbs, CAO, Deputy Clerk
Stasia Carr, Clerk
Deb MacDonald, Treasurer, Deputy CAO
Freda Bond, Taxes & Utilities Manager
Crystal Lentir, Admin Assistant

Public: Jeremy Cormier, MPAC

OPENING

#115-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack be opened for business at 7:00 pm, with a quorum of members present, with Mayor Reid presiding in the Chair.

Carried

The Land Acknowledgement was read.

AGENDA

#116-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Reminders for the summer market and July 1st events were announced. Markets are Fridays from 10a.m. to 2p.m. at the museum. Canada Day event will be at the arena fairgrounds this year.

PUBLIC MEETING

#117-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adjourn from our regular meeting and open a meeting held under the authority of Section 34 of the Planning Act in order to hear comments on proposed zoning by-law amendments, with Mayor Reid presiding in the chair.

Carried

#118-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we conclude our public meeting and resume our regular council meeting.

Carried

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

#119-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adopt the minutes of the meeting of Regular Council of May 20, 2025, Special Council Meeting of May 27, and June 2, 2025, and the Committee of the Whole on June 3, 2025.

Carried

DELEGATIONS

Jeremy Cormier from MPAC provided a short presentation to Council. He will expand and provide an educational presentation during the closed session. He gave a high-level overview of what MPAC does outlining the relationship between taxes and values of assessment. He also advised that the Province has not announced the new assessment date. Currently a service review is not completed by the Province. Jeremy advised that an announcement more than likely will not be made until the review is complete.

#120-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we express our appreciation to Jeremy Cormier from MPAC for his time and effort in delivering an informative presentation.

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REPORTS

#121-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Consolidated Financial Statement as of December 31, 2024, and audited by Freelandt Caldwell Reilly L.L.P.

Carried

#122-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Treasurer's financial statement as of May 31, 2025.

Carried

#123-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council authorizes the following Accounts for Payment: Payroll \$120,441.38 pursuant to the attached Treasurer's Statement of accounts.

Carried

#124-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council authorizes the following Accounts for Payment: General \$113,413.60 pursuant to the attached Treasurer's Statement of accounts.

Carried

#125-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Municipal Insurance Program Proposal in the amount of \$82,751.00.

Carried

#126-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we support the City of Peterborough regarding Bill 6, Safer Municipalities Act to have provincial legislation that defines workable standards for shelter space and/or prohibiting encampments in its parks and open spaces.

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#127-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the City of Woodstock regarding opposing Bill 5 Protecting Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act.

Carried

#128-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the Township of Georgian Bay regarding advocating the province to address floating accommodation in Ontario.

Carried

#129-06-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges an invitation to the Horticultural Society's 70th Anniversary events;
FURTHER, several Council members will attend on behalf of the Township.

Carried

#130-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT "bumble Bee" loader is sent to the Manitoulin East Municipal Airport as surplus equipment.

Carried

#131-06-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council has no objections to the Consent to Sever File No. B09-25 owned by the Trimmers and the Planning Board be so told.

Carried

#132-06-2025 J Bowerman – D Elliot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the request for support from Manitoulin Navy League is accepted as information.

Carried

#133-06-2025 D Elliot – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the request for support from Turtle Pond Wildlife Centre is accepted as information.

#134-06-2025 J Hooper – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Airport Commission minutes of June 9, 2025 be accepted as presented.

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#135-06-2025 J Bowerman – D Elliot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-12, being a by-law to amend No. 2024-100PA-25-001 to Schedule B and B8 of the Manitoulin Official Plan be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#136-06-2025 D Elliot – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-13 Enter into an agreement with Twisted Sister, be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#137-06-2025 J Bowerman – D Elliot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-14, being a by-law to amend zoning by-law 2024-10 be given a first and second, reading.

Carried

#138-06-2025 D Elliot – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-15, being a by-law to Set Tax Ratios for the Township of Assiginack be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#139-06-2025 J Bowerman – D Elliot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-16, being a by-law to Adopt Tax Rates be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#140-06-2025 D Elliot – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-17, being a by-law to Establish Water Rates be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#141-06-2025 J Bowerman – D Elliot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act, as amended, that Council proceeds to a Closed Session at 7:45 p.m. in order to attend to matters pertaining to:

a.) Educational Training

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b.)Labour Relations/Employee Negotiations

Carried

#142-06-2025 D Elliot – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adjourn from Closed Session at 9:07 p.m., accept the minutes of the previous closed session, and resume our Regular Meeting.

Carried

#143-06-2025 J Bowerman – D Elliot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we advise staff to follow the direction that was provided to them during Closed Session.

Carried

Recorded Vote: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Member	Yea	Nay
<i>Janice Bowerman</i>		X
<i>Dwayne Elliot</i>	X	
<i>Jennifer Hooper</i>	X	
<i>Rob Maguire</i>	X	
<i>Brenda Reid</i>	X	

#144-06-2025 D Elliot – J Bowerman

THAT Council adjourns at 9:11 p.m. and reconvene at the next regular council meeting on July 15, 2025, or at the call of the chair.

Carried

Brenda Reid, MAYOR

Stasia Carr, CLERK

SEAL

*These Minutes have been circulated but are not considered Official until approved by Council.