## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOCELYN MINUTES June 4, 2019

Regular meeting of Council was held on June 4, 2019. Attendance: Reeve Mark Henderson, Councillor Janet Callahan, Albert Crowder, Brian Dukes, Greg Gilbertson, and Clerk Treasurer Janet Boucher.

19-74 Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we do call this meeting of Council to order at 7 PM.

Cd.

19-75 Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we do adopt the minutes of the May 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting of Council.

Cd.

Reeve Henderson declared a conflict of interest and vacated his seat as Reeve for the approval and payment of *Township Voucher 2019.05(B)* on the basis that his spouse is an owner of Kentyale Store.

19-76 Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we approve Recreation Voucher 2019.05(A) in the amount of \$2454.10 paid out of Recreation

19-77 Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we approve Township Voucher 2019.05(A) in the amount of \$104,879.52.

Cd.

Councillor Dukes took over the chair for the adoption of the Township Voucher 2019.05(B).

19-78 Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we approve Township Voucher 2019.05(B) in the amount of \$2229.93.

Cd.

Reeve Henderson resumed the chair as head of Council.

Representatives from Fort St. Joseph were in attendance to review the Annual Management Plan Implementation update and introduce new staff. Elia Marini, Abe Zedic, and Geri Bohms spoke about the long term strategic direction and vision for Parks Canada Places. Highlights included the following:

- free admission for youth
- Voyageur Canoe Brigade June 6, 2019
- There will be no Medicine Walk or Ghost Walk in 2019
- Ruins Rehabilitation design ready packages are going out to tender for maintaining and preserving the ruins
- Canada Day Free admission to the Fort on July 1
- Fran Robb has retired from the Fort after working for Parks Canada for 30 years

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Council thanked the Fort Staff for their presentation and resumed the regular business of Council.

Various committee reports were provided including follow up to last month's presentation of the A Line Bridge report. The two following resolutions were adopted which are self-explanatory.

19-79 Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Whereas the A Line Bridge Inspection Report submitted by Tulloch Engineering dated May 7, 2019 concluded that the 5 ton load limit per axle remain in effect on the A Line Bridge, Therefore, move that we install appropriate signage on the North and South approaches to the bridge and at the intersections at Highway 548 and the A Line on the north bound lane.

Cd.

19-80 Moved by Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by Brian Dukes

Whereas Council received the Engineering Report from Tulloch Engineering for the A Line Bridge at the May Council meeting, resolved that we do obtain a quote to obtain a bearing capacity test of the soil adjacent to the bridge, as well as the cost of rough sawn hemlock to replace the deck on the bridge.

Cd.

The Clerk's Report was presented and adopted. The 2018 Audit Report to Council was considered. There were no issues noted in the audit findings.

Pursuant to O Reg 588/17 the Asset Management Policy was required to be passed by July 1, 2019. The purpose of this policy is to provide a framework for the development and implementation of the Municipality's asset management program

19-81 Moved by Janet Callahan Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we do adopt the Clerk's Report as presented, including the following attachments:

1) Audit Statements for 2018

2)Asset Management Policy (O Reg 588/17)

Cd.

The 2019 Budget was given final review and adopted as presented. The budget represents a blended tax increase of .1%. A \$100,000 in assessment in 2018 would have raised \$1131.88. A \$100,000 in assessment in 2019 will raise \$1077.61. Other considerations in the 2019 budget were the following:

- 1) The Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund was decreased by \$6700
- 2) Roads winter control budget was increased by \$5000
- 3) Algoma Public Health Unit was decreased slightly and Algoma District Social and Family Services budget increased by approximately \$6000
- 4) Ontario Provincial Police costs are down slightly \$1377

- 5) Landfill closure costs an additional \$2000 was set aside for landfill closure costs
- 6) The municipality received a \$10,000 one time grant for cannabis funding. Currently this money has been set aside in a reserve until a plan for its use has been established
- 7) Service Modernization Funding the municipality received \$224,500 in funding. Council considered projects however Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) is under review with possible reductions in 2020. Council decided to set the funds aside until further information on the 2020 OMPF levels are confirmed

19-82 Moved b Albert Crowder Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we do pass By-Law No. 2019-1429 being a by-law to provide for the adoption of the estimates for the year 2019 and the adoption of tax rates for all property classes for 2019 and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2019.

Cd.

Council members provided verbal reports on committees that they are involved in. With regards to roads matters, the surface treatment plan has changes someone from the original plan. After some consideration, the roads being surface treated this year will be the 10<sup>th</sup> Side Road from the K Line to Hilton Road and the P Line to the end as well as Wierzbicki Drive. The P Line road resurfacing will not occur this year. Other roadwork will be hydroaxing on the 5<sup>th</sup> Side Road, Hilton Road and other roads as deemed necessary. Ditching is also planned for the 5<sup>th</sup> Side Road by the U Line.

Significant cuts to library services have been proposed by the Provincial Government. Some services have been reinstated however the following resolution was passed in ongoing support of our local public libraries.

19-83 Moved by Greg Gilbertson Seconded by Albert Crowder

WHEREAS Public Libraries provide safe, inclusive, and vibrant community spaces where everyone is welcome to learn, work, connect, explore, and have fun; and WHEREAS the St. Joseph Township Public Library actively partners with community

agencies and organizations to deliver valued services and inclusive opportunities which contribute to a culture of social good by sharing knowledge and resources; and

WHEREAS the St. Joseph Township Public Library continues to deliver services that support provincial initiatives such as lifelong learning and skill development, local economic development, health literacy, youth programs, craft and artisan development, and provides equitable access to government websites and services; and

WHEREAS the St. Joseph Township Public Library continues to manage public funds and resources with the utmost care and commitment to the efficiency and sustainability of their services; and

WHEREAS the Township of Jocelyn contracts library services from the St. Joseph Township Public Library;

WHEREAS the St. Joseph Township Public Library requests that the Council of The Township of Jocelyn urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the importance of services provided by Ontario Library Service – North, and the Southern Ontario Library Service,

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including the administration of bulk purchasing agreements, technology consultation, strategic planning and policy development consultation, the provincial Interlibrary Loan system, board and staff training opportunities, collection development support, support for First Nations libraries and the administration of the Joint Automation Server Initiative; and WHEREAS the St. Joseph Township Public Library requests that the Council of The Township of Jocelyn urge the Province of Ontario to restore funding to the Southern Ontario Library Service and Ontario Library Service - North in recognition of the unfair and disproportionate impact of these cuts on small rural and Northern Ontario public libraries where residents have little to no choice or opportunity for learning;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of The Township of Jocelyn supports the St. Joseph Township Public Library's request for the Government of Ontario to restore funding to the Ontario Library Service-North and the Southern Ontario Library Service; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Township of Jocelyn urges the Province of Ontario to support sustainable long term funding for Ontario's Public Libraries; and BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Office of the Premier; to the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport; to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; to Michael Mantha, MPP; to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; to the Ontario Library Association; and to the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries.

Cd.

Deputy Fire Chief Rick Sirvio and Firefighter Carl Thomas were in attendance to update Council on fire matters. Due to the nature of the discussion, a closed meeting discussion was required. In addition, Council needed to go into closed meeting to address a separate and unrelated legal matter regarding property standards which involved advice subject to solicitor client privilege.

19-84 Moved by Albert Crowder Seconded by Greg Gilbertson

Be it resolved that Council proceed into Closed Session at 8 PM in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act in order to address matters pertaining to:

- 1) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal and local board employees
- 2) advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. Cd.

Deputy Chief Rick Sirvio and Carl Thomas left the closed session regarding fire matters at 8:30 and the Council stayed in closed session to address the second unrelated matter.

19-85 Moved by Janet Callahan Seconded by Albert Crowder

Be it resolved that Council does rise from closed session at 9:20 PM.

Cd.

Actions to be taken as a result of the Closed Session regarding item 1, staff was directed to formalize recruitment procedures for the Jocelyn Volunteer Fire Department. Regarding item 2, the communication was received as information. No further legal action will be taken in regards to item number 2 at this time.

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Items of correspondence received included the following:

- Municipal Waste & Recycling RE: Recycling program –effective June of this year, glass will no longer be recycled at the Highway 17 recycling depot. There is currently no market for this product
- 2. Road's meeting June 12th Bruce Station Municipal Hall
- 3. Algoma Federation of Agriculture RE: request Slow Moving Vehicle road signs
- 4. Algoma District Services RE: Bridges out of Poverty workshops in Blind River
- 5. Town of Aurora RE: Request to support resolution to halt the advancement of Bill 108
- 6. Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport RE: Inter-library service
- 7. East Algoma Est RE: Annual General Meeting on June 25th in Iron Bridge

19-86 Moved by Greg Gilbertson Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we pass By-Law No. 2019-1430 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on June 4, 2019.

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19-87 Moved by Janet Callahan

Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we agree to adjourn and meet again on July 2, 2019.

Cd.

Reeve: Mark Henderson	
Clerk: Janet Boucher	