

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOCELYN
MINUTES
June 8, 2021

Council met on Tuesday June 8, 2021 at the Jocelyn Township Hall at 7:15 PM. Attendance: Reeve Mark Henderson, Councillor Janet Callahan, Councillor Brian Dukes, as well as Clerk Treasurer Janet Boucher. Absent with regrets: Councillor Greg Gilbertson.

21-28

Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we do call this regular meeting of Council to order at 7:15 PM.

Cd.

21-29

Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we do approve the minutes of the April 6, 2021 meeting of Council.

Cd.

Township Vouchers were presented for approval.

21-30

Moved by Janet Callahan

Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we approve Township Voucher 2021.04 (A) and 2021.05 (A) in the amounts of \$56,412.34 and \$81,980.27.

Cd.

21-31

Moved by Janet Callahan

Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we approve Township Voucher 2021.4 (C) and 2021.05 (C) in the amounts of \$1436.51 and \$1868.74.

Cd.

21-32

Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we approve Recreation Voucher 2021.4 (A) and 2021.05 (A) in the amounts of \$198.39 and \$373.19, paid out of recreation funds.

Cd.

Several verbal committee reports were received, as well as the Clerk's Report.

21-33

Moved by Janet Callahan

Seconded by Albert Crowder

Resolved that we do approve the Clerk's Report as presented.

Cd.

Road matters discussed included 2021 Surface Treatment. Roads to be surface treated this year include the P Line from the 10th to the 5th Side Road, the A Line from P-Line (Highway 548) south to 3902 A Line. It is anticipated that the surface treatment will occur in July.

Correspondence was received from a ratepayer requesting consideration of reduced speed limits on Wierzbicki Drive. Council will review the existing signage on the road and consider that matter further

Correspondence was received from a group of ratepayers from Sterling Bay regarding excessive noise on a neighbouring subdivision lot. Council discussed the request for a noise by-law and an idling by-law. Council will give consideration to this request.

Correspondence was received from a ratepayer regarding unsafe use of a motorized vehicle (four wheelers/side by sides/ personal watercraft) at the public beach.

In all cases, Council requests that ratepayers contact the OPP. Noise complaints, speeding on Township roads and unsafe operation of a vehicle, licenced or not, are best resolved by contacting the OPP.

Correspondence was received from a ratepayer requesting permission to purchase the shore road allowance abutting their property. The following resolutions were passed.

21-34

Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Whereas Council acknowledges receipt of Shore Road Application 2/21 from the Owner of Concession 6, Lot 2 and 3.

Cd.

21-35

Moved by Janet Callahan

Seconded by Brian Dukes

Whereas Council acknowledges receipt of Shore Road Application 3/21 from the Owner of Plan M197, Lot 1 PCL 5506 ACS.

Cd.

Council adopted the following resolution regarding the creation of a Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan as mandated by the Province. As noted, Jocelyn Township will work with area municipalities in order to collect data and develop the required plan.

21-36

Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that whereas municipalities have been mandated to develop and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan under Bill 175 – the Safer Ontario Act and the new legislative requirements under the Police Services Act, 1990;

Now, therefore, Council for the Township of Jocelyn;

1. Declares this plan as one of its highest priorities;
2. Directs staff with the responsibility to oversee the process to develop the Plan and then

return it to Council for adoption;

3. Authorizes the use of the municipal website and/or mail-outs to conduct surveys and provide information to residents to gather data and identify risk factors in the municipality; and
4. Approves working with neighbouring municipalities to form a joint CSWB Plan known as the Central Algoma Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CACSWB).

Cd.

The Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, has been amended to allow for communities to create a board that reflects our own community and local needs. This proposal must be submitted for approval and Elliot Lake has offered to create this submission on our behalf. In addition, there are 17 municipalities and First Nations within the East Algoma Detachment. Jocelyn would be part of the East Algoma West Division.

21-37

Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Brian Dukes

WHEREAS under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA) the OPP detachment board framework has been amended to allow for communities to create a board that reflects their community and local needs, and;

WHEREAS Municipalities and First Nations within a detachment will be required to work together to develop and submit one proposal indicating the composition of their boards, and;

WHEREAS the East Algoma OPP Detachment has 17 Municipalities and First Nations within their jurisdiction, and;

WHEREAS on each Board there must be a minimum of 5 communities on that board, and;

BE IT RESOLVED that Jocelyn Township requests to be included with the East Algoma West division.

And FURTHER that this council authorizes Elliot Lake to submit the area proposal on our behalf.

Cd.

The 2021 Budget was presented for approval and adopted. Preliminary budget discussions occurred at the April 2021 Council meeting. In 2020, Council approved a significant tax rate reduction that resulted in overall lower taxes. Increases in the following areas as well as absorbing the increases from the 2020 budget where Council approved this reduction results in a net increase of approximately 3 percent.

Additional increases:

- The Algoma District Social Services levy increase in excess of \$5000
- Landfill improvements, as required through the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Parks, for a new well - \$11,000

The Covid Resilience Funding will be utilized to upkeep parks and recreation structures as Jocelyn Recreation's events and fundraising ability have been limited.

Council continues to maintain our existing road system and it has been determined that approximately six km of roads need to be surface treated annually in order to keep our roads in a safe condition. Council also continues to support the St. Joseph Island Food Bank, Matthews Memorial Hospital Association, St. Joseph Island Museum and the Dr. HS Trefry Centre.

A sample assessment and the impact on taxation are noted below:

*\$100,000 assessment in 2019, raised \$1078 dollars,

*\$100,000 assessment in 2020 raised \$1034 dollars

*\$100,000 assessment in 2021 will raise \$1107.

21-38

Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we adopt By-law No. 2021-1473, being a by-law to provide for the adoption the estimates for the year, and the adoption of tax rates for all property classes for 2021 and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2021.

Cd.

Other items of correspondence included the following:

- 1) OPP Composition of the OPP Detachment Boards under the Community Safety and Policing Act
- 2) Town of Blind River – OPP Detachment Boards supporting the composition proposal
- 3) Crimestoppers – seeking financial support.
- 4) Michael Mantha – Covid-19 vaccinations and frontline workers
- 5) OPP – 2020 Municipal Policing Billing Statement property count.

21-39

Moved by Brian Dukes

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we adopt By-Law 2021-1474 being a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Jocelyn to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on June 8, 2021.

Cd.

21-40

Moved by Albert Crowder

Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we agree to adjourn and meet again on July 6, 2021.

Cd.

Reeve Mark Henderson

Clerk Janet Boucher