

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOCELYN
MINUTES
April 4, 2017

Present: Reeve Mark Henderson Councillor Janet Callahan
 Councillor Ches Wallace Councillor Ken Ward
Staff: Janet Boucher, Clerk Treasurer
Absent with
Regrets: Councillor Brian Dukes

17-35 Moved Ken Ward
 Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we do call this regular meeting to order.
Cd.

17-36 Moved by Janet Callahan
 Seconded by Ken Ward

Resolved that we do adopt the minutes of the March 7th, 2017 meeting of Council.
Cd.

17-37 Moved by Ken Ward
 Seconded by Ches Wallace

Resolved that we approve Township Voucher 2017-03 in the amount of \$156,017.25.
Cd.

17-38 Moved by Janet Callahan
 Seconded by Ken Ward

Resolved that we approve Recreation Voucher No. 2017-03 in the amount of \$1999.79
paid out of Recreation Funds.
Cd.

17-39 Moved by Janet Callahan
 Seconded by Ken Ward

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

Sherie Gladu, Visitor Experience Product Development Officer and Jeanette Cowen, Site Manager and Visitor Experience Manager for Parks Canada, were in attendance to update Council on matters pertaining to Fort St. Joseph. They advised of their major events for 2017, including a BioBlitz on June 24 and 25, July 1st Canada Day festivities, July 3 Fort St. Joseph Rendezvous 150, August 12th Medicine Walk and August 18th Ghost Walk. In addition, there have been many improvements to the park including landscape conservation work, replacement of boardwalks, trail widening and design of new interpretive panels. The panels should be in place sometime this summer but it is not expected that they will be in place prior to the July 3rd Rendezvous 150.

A new management plan is in progress focusing on three key strategies:

- 1) Increase the profile of Fort St. Joseph
- 2) Diversify the visitor experience by working with other organizations, exploring new activities and hosting community events
- 3) Conservation of cultural resources and contemporary assets by completing deferred maintenance and making other onsite improvements

Ms. Gladu advised that there are many volunteering opportunities with the summer events and to contact the Fort if interested. In addition, Ms. Gladu spoke about the Canada 150 Discovery passes which provides admission to Parks Canada Sites for 2017.

Representatives of Algoma Power were in attendance to update Council on issues of importance. In 2017 there is no scheduled line/pole replacement or line clearing. Other points included the following:

- 1) As of June 1, 2016 the 24 hour outage/trouble phone number is 18449019473
- 2) Municipal Government Offices have a priority back door phone number
- 3) Community Feedback – this was a large part of the presentation this year and there were numerous questions asking for feedback as API wants its customers to have a superior experience when contacting API
- 4) Safety and Environment – the Corridors for Life Pollinator Project is going into its second year – this project has many partners and the goal of the project is to obtain information to better understand the impact of routine vegetation management practices on pollinators in power line right of ways. The project is focused on pollinator abundance and diversity found within the right of ways. This multiyear project is part of how API is tracking its environmental footprint and will provide information to assist in the decision making criteria for API's overall Vegetation Management Plan
- 5) Energy Efficiency and Conservation Update- Save on Energy Programs (Heating and Cooling Incentive, Coupon Program, Instant Savings Program
- 6) Operations Update – as noted there are no vegetation management plan for Jocelyn Township this year
- 7) Regulatory – the new rates include the 8% rebate off of HST for *most* customer accounts
- 8) Council had requested a detailed process on landowner consultation when a vegetation management plan was to take place within the municipality including best practices as opposed to regulatory notification.

Various committee reports were considered including road updates and recreation events. The next public recreation event is the Mountain Maple Run – May 28th, 2017.

The following items of Correspondence were received:

1. Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxilliary regarding a Zone Convention requesting a small token for those attending.
2. The Ontario Landowner's Association to the Minister of Municipal Affairs– Building Code change – regarding a mandatory pump out of septic beds every 5 years
3. Township of Tarbutt to Honourable Kathleen Wynne -changes to the building code that would require mandatory pump outs of septic systems noting the

financial hardship of such an action, the lack of availability of septic pumpout businesses or sites to accommodate such a demand, and the varying property types in rural northern Ontario as well as broad variety of septic systems on private property

4. Township of Tarbutt to Honourable Kathleen Wynne – regarding Bill 7 (being an act to amend various Acts with respect to Housing and Planning ie property standards)
5. Township of Tarbutt to Honourable Kathleen Wynne – defining Fire Departments as critical infrastructure for the purpose of funding
6. OPP – January 2017 calls for service

The following resolution was passed in support of area municipalities who have expressed concern and objected to the changes to the Building Code regarding mandatory pump outs for septic systems.

17-40 Moved by Janet Callahan
 Seconded by Ches Wallace

Resolved that we do support the resolutions of area municipalities regarding the proposed changes to the Building Code with regards to mandatory septic pump outs every five years. Cd.

17-41 Moved by Ken Ward
 Seconded by Janet Callahan

Resolved that we pass By-Law No. 2017-1371 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on April 4, 2017.
Cd.

17-42 Moved by Janet Callahan
 Seconded by Ken Ward

Resolved that we agree to adjourn and meet again on May 2, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve.
Cd.

Reeve Mark Henderson

Clerk Janet Boucher