

The Corporation of the Township of Jocelyn  
Regular Meeting of Council Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday March 4, 2026  
7:00pm  
3670 5<sup>th</sup> Side Road, Hilton Beach, ON P0R 1G0

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Present:

Reeve Cori Murdock

Clerk Kaylee D'Angelo

Councillor Dennis Sopha

Councillor Albert Crowder

Councillor Jason Kennedy

Councillor Greg Gilbertson

**Call To Order**

26-336

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

Be it resolved that Council calls this Meeting of Council to order at 7:05pm.

Cd.

**Agenda Approval**

26-337

Moved by: Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council adopts the march 4, 2026 Meeting of Council agenda, as presented.

Cd.

**Approval of Most Recent Meeting Minutes**

26-338

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council approves the most recent meeting minutes, dated **February 4, 2026**.

Cd.

**Declarations of Disqualifying Interest/ Pecuniary Interest – N/A**

**Delegations/ Presentations – No requests submitted.**

**Committee of the Whole Working Session – Draft Volunteer Agreement Terms and Conditions**

26-339

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

Be it resolved that Council approves that draft Volunteer Agreement Terms and Conditions with any suggested edits.

Cd.

**Legislative Matters – By-Laws**

Tax Classes & Ratios

26-340

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council gives three readings and approves ***By-Law No. 2026-1676 Being a By-Law to set Tax Classes and the Tax Ratios for Municipal purposes for the year 2026.***

Cd.

Tax Rate & Budget

26-341

Moved by: Jason Kennedy

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

Be it resolved that Council gives three readings and approves By-Law 2026-1677, Being a By-Law to provide for the Adoption of Current Estimates and Tax rates, adopt the Township of Jocelyn's 2026 budget, and provide for penalties and interest for default of payment thereof for 2026;

And that Council approves the following tax levy for 2026 set at 827, 723.60, including the total budget of \$1, 984, 785.14 (inclusive of depreciation and transfers to reserves), as outlined in By-Law No. 2026-1677.

And Council approves the procurement and purchase of single coat surface treatment on 4.5km of roadway on the 5<sup>th</sup> Side Road between 4<sup>th</sup> Line and U Line intersection, with additional surface treatment being authorized on Orrell Callahan so as long as the total price of road resurfacing does not exceed \$160 000 plus applicable taxes.

Cd.

26-342

Moved by: Dennis Sopeha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

Be it resolved that Council accept the Jocelyn Budget Report, submitted by Lars Moffatt, Treasurer.

Cd.

### **Committee Reports**

Roads Update – Submitted by Andrew Gordanier, Stobies Mechanical

A number of property owners are still pushing snow from their personal driveways, across Township roads, despite public education efforts to reduce this. Next steps were discussed, such as issuing warning letters directly to those ratepayers.

Landfill Committee – The Landfill Committee has appointed Councillor Crowder as the committee chair. Minutes will be available on the Township website.

Recreation – Currently, no one has volunteered to assist with preparation for Harvest Fest. A committee will need to be formed in order to move forward with this event. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact the office to register. Volunteers have the option to join the Harvest Fest Planning Committee and assist with preparation, shopping, games, food etc. They can also just sign up to assist on the event date. All volunteers would need to list their name and contact information at the office.

Disc Golf will hold a championship this year. “ Green Fees” charged will be submitted to the Township. One of the obstacles that has presented itself is that there are limited options for overnight stays on the island. Last year 78 people attended the event, this year it is looking like approximately 100 people will be in attendance.

26-343

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

Be it resolved that Council allow overnight camping for the Northern Ontario Championship Disc Golf tournament in August with a Camper Contract and set fees.

Cd.

### **New Business**

ADSAB Budget Summary- Approved 2026

26-344

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council accept the ADSAB Budget Summary- with the Jocelyn Township 2026 Levy amount of \$331 254.

Cd.

### **Correspondence**

For Action – Life Labs Closure

26-345

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

Be it resolved that Council support the recommendation put forward by the Municipality of Wawa to have the Province of Ontario & Ministry of Health take immediate action regarding the Life labs closure in Sudbury, ON.

Cd.

### **Closed Session**

26-346

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

Be it resolved that Council proceed into Closed Session at 7:59pm in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act in order to address matters pertaining to :

2) b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

d) labour relations or employee negotiation

k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Cd.

### **Arising From Closed Session**

26-347

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council does arise from Closed Session at 8:30pm.

Cd.

26-348

Moved by: Jason Kennedy

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

Be it resolved that Council direct staff to complete the Closed Session directives.

Cd.

### **Confirmation of Proceedings**

26-349

Moved by: Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council does pass **By-Law 2026-1678** to confirm the proceedings of the March 4, 2026 Meeting of Council.

Cd.

## **Adjournment**

26-350

Moved by: Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

Be it resolved that Council does agree to adjourn this meeting at 8:34pm and will meet again on Wednesday April 8, 2026.

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Clerk Kaylee D'Angelo

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Reeve Cori Murdock