

TOWNSHIP OF JOCELYN

Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday April 8, 2026

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Located at: Municipal Office Council Chambers – 3670 5th Side Road, Hilton Beach, ON, P0R 1G0



Call Meeting to Order

Resolution# 26-252

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council calls this Meeting of Council to order at 7:00pm.

Cd.

Approval of Agenda

Resolution# 26-253

Moved by: Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the April 8, 2026 Meeting of Council agenda as presented and accepts the following addendums:

1. Fire Department Report submitted by Fire Chief Rick Sirvio, to be discussed prior to item 7 a).
2. Clerk's Report and Draft By-Law 2026-1679 Being a by-law to establish the 2026 voting method, being discussed as item 10 d).

Cd.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: N/A

Reeve's Address:

Reeve Murdock thanked Council, Staff and Ratepayer's for their demonstrated patience this past year.

Approve Most Recent Council Minutes

Resolution# 26-254

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves regular meeting council minutes, dated March 4, 2026 as presented.

Cd.

Committee of the Whole Working Session

Jan-March 2026 Fire Department Report

Resolution# 26-255

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the January to March 2026 Fire Department report as submitted by Fire Chief Rick Sirvio.

Cd

P Line Dock – Discussion requested by Councillor Crowder

Resolution# 26-256

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council opens a discussion regarding the “ P Line Dock” property, at the request of Councillor Crowder; And requests that staff request public input regarding some upgrades to the road access, parking area etc, at the P Line dock area.

Cd.

Discussion between Councillors circled around what the P line dock is normally used for, and the possibility of possibility of adding a parking area to avoid congestion in the area. Reeve Murdock raised concerns about increased traffic and parking may effect the wildlife in the area. Members of the gallery requested to share thoughts, concerns were shared by community members Ron Dorscht and Fay Stevens. Suggestions were made regarding a turnaround area. Everyone was in agreement that this area is used by ratepayers to launch kayaks, bird watch, enjoy nature walks, etc - , and should be preserved. There is not an potion for expansion currently. This topic could be included in next year’s budget discussions as far as a turnaround or parking area is concerned.

Legislative Matters & By-laws

Proposed Building Permit Fee Adjustments – Report submitted by Lars Moffatt

Resolution# 26-257

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the report submitted by Treasurer Lars Moffatt, addressing the proposed Building Permit Fee Adjustments effective June 1, 2026, and approves the amounts as presented to be included in a revised by-law with notice of the proposed changes being made public as required under the Building Code Act.

Cd.

Committee/Local Board Reports – No other reports received.

Administrative Matters

2026 Spring Financial Report- Submitted by Lars Moffatt

Resolution# 26-258

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the Revised Planning Board Budget and Update on Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Review and approves Jocelyn's revised 2026 levy in the amount of \$4,679.00.

Cd.

Branding Update Report and Options – Submitted by Lars Moffatt

Resolution# 26-259

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council open discussion regarding Jocelyn Township's revised branding options and adopts Option # 1 as the Township's new branding package effective immediately.

Cd.

2026 Revised Planning Board Budget & Update on Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Review

Resolution# 26-260

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the Revised Planning Board Budget and Update on Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Review and approves Jocelyn's revised 2026 levy in the amount of \$4,679.00.

Cd.

2026 Voting Methods

Resolution# 26-261

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council review and discuss By-law No. 2026-1679, being a by-law to establish the methods of voting for the 2026 Municipal Election.

This item has been tabled until next meeting. Staff is directed to check into what processes can be put into place to maintain a mail in vote option while keeping the voting process secure. A special meeting will be called to address this prior to May 1, 2026.

Correspondence

For Action: Laird Fair Sponsorship request

Resolution# 26-262

Moved by: Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the sponsorship request regarding Laird Fair and Council has chosen not to participate.

Cd.

Closed/In-Camera Session

Resolution# 26-263

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

Be it resolved that Council proceed into **Closed Session** at 8:07 pm in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act in order to address matters pertaining to:

- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
Specific matters pertaining to individual employees.
- (d) labour relations or employee negotiations, specifically to discuss **Staff requirements for Roads and Public Works matters & updated discussions related to the hiring of a regional Chief Building Officials .**
- (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. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26. – **including a matter being deliberated between the Township and its insurance company.**

Cd.

Business Arising From Closed Session

Resolution# 26-264

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does arise from Closed Session at 9:30pm.

Cd.

Resolution #26-265

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED that Council instructs staff to carry out the Closed Session directives.

Cd.

Confirmatory By-law

Resolution# 26-266

Moved by: Albert Crowder

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does pass **By-Law 2025-1680** to confirm the proceedings of the April 8, 2026 Meeting of Council.

Cd. **Motion to Adjourn** – Next Meeting on Wednesday May 6, 2026

Resolution# 26-267

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does agree to adjourn this meeting at 9:33pm and will meet again on **Wednesday May 6th , 2026 at 6:00pm** , or at the call of the Reeve.

Cd.

Reeve Cori Murdock

Clerk Kaylee D'Angelo