

TOWNSHIP OF JOCELYN

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday June 3, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

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



In attendance: Reeve Cori Murdock, Councillors Jason Kennedy, Albert Crowder, Greg Gilbertson, Dennis Sopha

Staff: Lars Moffatt (Deputy Clerk) & Andrew Gordanier (Public Works Foreman)

1) **Call Meeting to Order**

2026-392

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council calls this Meeting of Council to order at 6:05 p.m.

2) **Approval of Agenda**

2026-393

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Greg Gilbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the June 3, 2026 Meeting of Council agenda as presented

3) **Addendum to Agenda (if applicable):**

4) **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:**

5) **Reeve's Address**

6) **Approve Previous Council Minutes:**

a) April 29, 2026 - Special Meeting of Council Draft Minutes

b) May 13, 2026 – Meeting of Council Draft Minutes

2026-394

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Albert Crowder

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves special meeting council minutes, dated April 29, 2026, and the regular meeting minutes of May 13, 2026 as presented.

7) **Committee of the Whole Working Session**

a) Discussion RE: Animal Control matters and report from Clerk D'Angelo

2026-395

Moved by: Jason Kenendy

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

WHEREAS numerous concerns and complaints from residents regarding loose dogs have been received by Township staff in recent weeks;

AND WHEREAS the existing by-law (No. 981) has been discussed by Council;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to draft a revised by-law with set fines and refer the recruitment of an Animal Control/By-law Officer to the Human Resources Committee.

8) Legislative Matters & By-laws

a) Proposed Resolution: East Algoma Community Safety and Well-Being Plan:

2026-396

Moved by: Dennis Sopha

Seconded by: Jason Kennedy

WHEREAS the Township requires a revised regional community safety and well-being plan is required for the Central Algoma Area, which includes Jocelyn Township,

Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Jocelyn supports a new collaboration with neighbouring municipalities to commence the review and update of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, now known as the “East Algoma Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (EACSWB)” and further, that the final draft of this plan reflecting the review and any updates be presented to Council for consideration and possible adoption at an upcoming meeting

9) Committee/Local Board Reports

a) Purchasing Committee Meeting Minutes

(1) May 19, 2026, Meeting Minutes

(2) May 29, 2026, Meeting Minutes

b) Reeve Murdock provided an update from a meeting with the Ministry of Transportation regarding local highway projects and repairs.

10) Administrative Matters

a) Financial Report: L. Moffatt RE: Public Works Department

Council reviewed the financial report RE: the transition of contracted services to services completed in house. Equipment that is purchased will be paid back overtime with the savings from services being completed in house.

b) Province of Ontario Correspondence: NORDS Funding

- Jocelyn will receive annual funding from NORDS

c) Review & Consider Quotes received to purchase Plow Truck & Utility Tractor)

(1) Review recommendations from Purchasing Committee

2026-397

Moved by: Jason Kennedy

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

WHEREAS the Treasurer has presented a financial report assessing the feasibility of transitioning Public Works services from contracted delivery to in-house operations;

AND WHEREAS the Procurement Committee has reviewed the potential acquisition of a dump truck with plow and a tractor with associated implements, and staff have obtained quotes for the required equipment;

AND WHEREAS Township staff have received and evaluated proposals for both a Dump Truck & Plow and a Utility Loader/Tractor under Request for Proposals 2026-02 and 2026-03, with the Procurement Committee reviewing these submissions and providing recommendations;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes staff to proceed with the purchase of a **2026 Tandem Axle Western Star Dump Truck** equipped with a **LaRochelle Sander and Plow** from **TMS in Sault Ste. Marie**, at a cost not exceeding **\$415,000** plus applicable taxes, registration, and fees, provided the unit can be delivered no later than **October 15, 2026**;

AND THAT staff are further authorized to proceed with the purchase of the following equipment:

- **Used Kubota M6-141 Utility Loader/Tractor and loader** from Deboer's Equipment for **\$129,500** plus taxes, shipping, and freight;
- **Used Flail Boom Mower** for **\$24,500** plus taxes and shipping;
- **New Disc Mower** from Deboer's for **\$19,200** plus applicable taxes and shipping;
- **Pallet forks** from Deboer's for **\$1,850** plus applicable taxes and shipping;

AND THAT Council directs the Treasurer to report back with recommendations regarding financing options or the potential for outright purchase of the above-noted equipment.

- PWF Gordanier advised of the proposed location of the sand dome structure that will be placed behind the Fire Department's Fuel tank beside the Public Works Garage. No concerns noted at that time.

11) **Other Correspondence:** N/A

12) **Closed/In-Camera Session** – Not Applicable

13) **Confirmatory By-law**

2026-397

Moved by: Greg Gilbertson

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does give three readings and passes **By-Law 2025-1688** to confirm the proceedings of the June 3, 2026, Meeting of Council.

14) **Motion to Adjourn** – Next meeting on July 8th @ 6:00 p.m.

2026-399

Moved by: Jason Kennedy

Seconded by: Dennis Sopha

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council does adjourn this meeting at 6:54 p.m. and will meet again on July 8th, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m. or at the call of the Reeve.

Reeve

Deputy Clerk