

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOCELYN**  
**MINUTES**  
**June 6, 2017**

The regular meeting of Council was held on June 6, 2017 at the Jocelyn Township Office.

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

17-57                               Moved by Brian Dukes  
                                      Seconded by Ken Ward

Resolved that we do call this regular meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m.  
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17-58                               Moved by Ken Ward  
                                      Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we do adopt the minutes of May 2nd, 2017 meeting of Council as presented.  
Cd.

Councillor Callahan arrived at this time. (7:10 PM)

Landowners from 1418 Orrell Callahan Drive were in attendance to discuss property standards within the Township and in their opinion, the deteriorating condition of a neighbouring property.

The municipality currently does not have a property standards by-law or a clean yard by-law. Sample by-laws were presented for Council consideration. Such by-laws can be quite restrictive and carry no distinction between shore property and farm lands, small acreage or large. Council agreed to continue to work on this situation and others currently occurring within the municipality.

James Kemp, a public service employee, was in attendance to request Council consideration of a resolution of support regarding the Ontario Public Servant Union and their "We Own It" campaign. This is a grass-roots movement of Ontarians who care about keeping public services public. Council considered the resolution and adopted the following.

17-59                               Moved by Brian Dukes  
                                      Seconded by Janet Callahan

Whereas public services are by their very definition, open to all members of the public and therefore of benefit to all members of the public;  
And Whereas the management and oversight of privatized services are, by their very definition private and therefore of benefit primarily to investors;  
And Whereas the Township of Jocelyn recognizes that the public delivery of public services ensures more transparency and accountability to the public, democratic oversight and control of public service delivery by our community's elected representatives, and avoids the diversion of public funds into profits for private corporations;  
Be it resolved that the Township of Jocelyn request the Provincial Government request a moratorium on privatizing or outsourcing any of its public services without first undertaking a rigorous, credible and fully public and transparent review of the privatization or outsourcing proposal;  
Be it further resolved that the Township of Jocelyn request the Provincial Government request the Provincial Government publicly disclose all of its public services that are currently privatized and outsourced;

Be it further resolved that the Township Of Jocelyn request the Provincial Government review all of those privatized and outsourced services with a view to insourcing them in order to lower costs and /or improve services.

Cd.

Vouchers were presented.

17-60                                 Moved by Brian Dukes  
                                              Seconded by Ken Ward

Resolved that we approve Recreation Voucher No. 2017-05 in the amount of \$2577.60, paid out of Recreation funds.                 Cd.

17-61                                 Moved by Janet Callahan  
                                              Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we approve Township Voucher No. 2017-05 in the amount of \$112,946.87.  
Cd.

Committee updates were given.

Road matters were discussed. The 2017 surface treatment plan was updated to include the turnaround at Island View Drive, as well as a small portion of the 4<sup>th</sup> Concession. The original plan for roads to be completed were as noted: Orrell Callahan, Wierzbicki Drive (turnaround), Nelson Drive, and a portion of the Huron Line.

Councillor Ward and Dukes advised that they had gone on a road tour and identified areas that required patching/ditching and other maintenance work. In addition, Rod Wessell has retired and Chris Burton Contracting will take over the balance of the contract ending in May of 2019.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Side Road Guard Rail Project was discussed and the recommendation of Tulloch Engineering was considered.

17-62                                 Moved by Ken Ward  
                                              Seconded by Janet Callahan

Whereas the municipality has had a call out for tenders for the 10<sup>th</sup> Side Road Guide Rail Project, due June 1, 2017 at 2 PM;

And Whereas the recommendation from Tulloch Engineering regarding these tenders has been received;

Therefore, be it resolved that we do accept the bid for the construction contract from:

M and G Fencing Inc.                 Cd.

The Clerk's Report was reviewed and the following resolution as passed.

17-63                                 Moved by Ken Ward  
                                              Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we do accept the Clerk's Report as presented, including the 2016 Financial Statements from BDO.                 Cd.

The 2017 Budget was presented and Council will adopt the same at the next meeting of Council. There will be a 0% increase in the tax rate this year. As a result of the reassessment, the tax rate will go down approximately 4.75%. The 2017 levy is based on 2016 values plus newly assessed development and will not represent an increase in the residential tax rate. New taxation from newly assessment from construction (houses/renovations/garages, etc) was approximately \$5800. Highlights include the following:

1)OCIF funding was increased in 2017 to \$50000 (from \$25,000) – this will assist in completing roads surface treatment projects

- 2) the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund also increased by \$10,900 – this is the municipal operating grant
- 3) Gas Tax Funds have been set in reserve for two years and are included in the 2017 budget
- 4) Roads operating costs have increased due to material costs increasing as well as contracting costs for patching and other maintenance tasks
- 5) A significant cost savings occurred by changing consulting firms for the Landfill – in 2016, the municipality put out a tender and agreed to change from Kresin Engineering to Pinchin – at a cost savings of \$11,000.
- 6) Social Service costs increased by \$16,000 in 2017
- 7) OPP – this resulted in a significant increase of \$18,969 bringing the 2017 policing costs to \$84,711.00
- 8) Guide Rail project – the 10<sup>th</sup> Side Road project cost total is \$110,000 and is being funded at 90% by OCIF (grant of \$99,000 received).

In addition an amendment to the Tax Ratio By-law was required as a new classification for landfills took effect in 2017. The rate will be the same as the commercial rate.

17-64 Moved by Brian Dukes  
 Seconded by Ken Ward

Resolved that we do give first, second, third and final reading to By-Law No. 2017-1375, being a by-law to set tax classes and the tax ratios for municipal purposes for the year 2017.  
 Cd.

Council discussed numerous trailer complaints. Ratepayers are reminded that only one trailer is permitted per property. The Clerk was asked to follow-up on one issue that has been outstanding.

Council discussed Fire Department matters and the following resolution was passed.

17-65 Moved by Ken Ward  
 Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we do appoint Reeve Mark Henderson as the Fire Department liaison for the balance of the term of Council.  
 Cd.

Correspondence was received from Cheryl Gallant, Member of Parliament, regarding the removal of the tax exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials.

17-66 Moved by Ken Ward  
 Seconded by Brian Dukes

Whereas the Township of Jocelyn Council acknowledges the letter from Cheryl Gallant, Member of Parliament, Renfrew regarding the removal of the tax exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials in the 2017 Federal Budget;  
 And whereas this municipality opposed the removal of this exemption;  
 And further that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Premier of Ontario, Kathleen Wynne.  
 Cd.

Correspondence was received regarding June being Seniors Month and the following proclamation was made.

17-67 Moved by Brian Dukes  
 Seconded by Janet Callahan

Whereas seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community;

Whereas seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this community;

Whereas their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told;

Whereas the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community;

And Whereas the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

Therefore, the Council of the Township of Jocelyn proclaim June 1 – 30, 2017 SENIORS MONTH and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.  
Cd.

The following items of correspondence were received:

1. O.P.P RE: MTO's motor vehicle collision reports and collision info is available to municipalities – Authorized Requester Information Service
2. Ministry of Infrastructure RE: Proposed municipal asset management planning regulation under the *Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015*
3. Municipality of East Ferris – RE: support of Cheryl Gallant's letter on removal of the tax-exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials
4. Cheryl Gallant MP's report RE: *How will they put a carbon tax on Firewood?*
5. Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial Centre RE: Seniors and Disabled Persons Advisory Committee
6. MMA RE: *Ontario to Overhaul Land Use Planning Appeals System*
7. O.P.P RE: Progress Municipal Policing Bureau on projects
8. Fire Marshal and Emergency Management – Training opportunity coordinated by Jim Waycik – October 5, 2017 at Hilton Hall – would like Council participation. This is a day long course.
9. Jim Waycik – Cenotaph restoration
10. Jim Waycik – Historical Signage Project
11. Tracy Stevens – CASS – Invitation to National Aboriginal Day Celebration at CASS – Council invited

17-68 Moved by Ken Ward  
Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we do pass By-law No. 2017-1376, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on June 6, 2017.

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17-69 Moved by Ken Ward  
Seconded by Brian Dukes

Resolved that we agree to adjourn and meet again on July 4, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve.

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Reeve: Mark Henderson

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Clerk: Janet Boucher