Joly

THE TOWNSHIP OF JOLY

SPECIAL TRI COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 28th, 2022

The special meeting of the Council of the Township of Joly was on Thursday, April 28th, 2022. This special meeting was a virtual meeting.

Present from Joly Township were: Mayor Tim Bryson, Councillors Budd Brown, Bill Black, Tom Bryson and Brian McCabe; and staff Jennifer Martin, Deputy Clerk Treasurer and Leanne Crozier, Clerk Treasurer.

Present from Strong Township were: Mayor Kelly Elik, Councillors Jody Ballie, Jason Cottrell, Jeff McLaren and Marianne Stickland; and staff Kim Dunnett, Deputy Clerk.

Present from Village of Sundridge were: Mayor Lyle Hall, Councillors Barbara Bellrose and Shawn Jackson; and staff Christine Hickey, Deputy Clerk and Nancy Austin, Clerk Administrator.

Absent: Village of Sundridge Councillors Steve Hicks and Fraser Williamson.

The meeting was declared open at 5:44 pm by Mayor Bryson.

1. Approval of Agenda

R2022-091

Moved by Bill Black Seconded by Brian McCabe

Be it resolved the Council for the Township of Joly approve the April 28th, 2022 Council agenda as presented.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None

3. New Business/Follow-up Items

3.1 Phragmites Working Group Lake Bernard

R2022-092

Moved by Tom Bryson Seconded by Bill Black

Be it resolved the Council for the Township of Joly hereby receive the presentation from Marilee Koenderink of the Phragmites Working Group Lake Bernard with thanks.

Carried

3.2 Shared Road Agreements – Maintenance Requirements Discussion (Township of Joly)

R2022-093

Moved by Budd Brown Seconded by Brian McCabe

Be it resolved the Council for the Township of Joly hereby request the shared road agreement with the Township of Strong as in Joly By-law 2011—12 and Strong By-law 2011-033 be reviewed;

And Council hereby request this agreement be reviewed and amended internally and by legal counsel with return to Council for consideration before the next winter season begins.

Carried

3.3 Joly Mayor Tim Bryson – Amalgamation Presentation

R2022-094

Moved by Bill Black Seconded by Budd Brown

Be it resolved the Council for the Township of Joly hereby receive the presentation from Mayor Tim Bryson on amalgamation with thanks.

Carried

3.4 Amalgamation – Proposed Recommendation – Discussion (Village of Sundridge) R2022-095

Moved by Tom Bryson Seconded by Brian McCabe

WHEREAS the Village of Sundridge, the Township of Strong and the Township of Joly have accepted the KPMG "Shared Municipal Service Review",

AND the Review establishes:

- 1. A list of six current shared service agreements requiring full review,
- 2. a degree of shared, "Strategic Financial Support/Asset Management" between municipalities would be beneficial,
- 3. that the municipalities should have "Shared Policy Development",
- 4. that it would be an advantage for the municipalities to have "Increased Group Purchasing",
- 5. that the municipalities would be stronger with "Shared Emergency Management" and,
- 6. that the municipalities could coordinate development and expansion with "Increased Integration of Land Planning".

AND that historically the municipalities have had difficulties implementing shared policies due to the differences in physical settings and population (urban, rural and forested/pioneering citizenry.);

AND the concerns of implementing these recommendations, though extremely important to the functionality of each municipality, will require by the KPMG report, years of time to develop AND each municipality can also expect thousands of dollars in costs.

AND that each of the suggestions and recommendations in the KPMG report can be addressed by amalgamation.

And that amalgamation would be a significant step towards repairing the concerns described in the Shared Service Report, AND addressing citizens' concerns surrounding redundancy, AND saving taxpayers money, AND addressing individual service shortcomings each municipality has.

AND the KPMG report also suggests, "...municipal restructuring within the Municipal Act remains a locally driven process", meaning that amalgamation must be initiated by our municipalities.

THEREFORE the Village of Sundridge, the Township of Strong and Township of Joly request Staff to prioritize the process of amalgamation with citizen feedback. complete before or by the municipal election date.

Further that the recommendations from the SSJ Amalgamation paper presented at the Tri Council meeting on April 28, 2022 be followed up on and be brought back to the next meeting for discussion.

Carried

4. Adjournment R2022-096

Moved by Bill Black

Be it resolved the Council for the Township of Joly hereby adjourn this special Tri Council meeting at 7:47 pm.

Carried

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY TIM BRYSON

Mayor

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY LEANNE CROZIER

Clerk