

Township of Joly Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting April 11, 2023 - 04:00 PM

Present: Mayor Brian McCabe, Deputy Mayor Budd Brown, Councillor Tom Bryson, Councillor Chris

Nicholson

Absent: Councillor Bill Black

Staff Present: Interim Municipal Administrator Peggy Young-Lovelace, Deputy Clerk Katey Brimacombe, Roads Foreman Pat Stickland

1 Call To Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:06 P.M..

2 Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2023-077

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby adopts the Agenda as presented."

CARRIED

3 Declarations of Disqualifying Interest (Pecuniary)

4 Approval of the Minutes of the Most Recent Meeting(s)

Resolution No: 2023-078

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby approves the minutes from

March 14th and Tri-Council March 30th 2023 minutes as circulated."

CARRIED

5 Council Direction From the Previous Meeting-

6 Delegations

None

6.1 Near North Palliative Care Network

Resolution No: 2023-079

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby receives the presentation from the Near North Palliative Care Network."

Delegation did not attend

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7 Legislative Matters

(includes items of correspondence not requiring administrative reports/action, committee reports not requiring any action by Council - matters that are for information purposes only).

7.1 Consent Agenda

Resolution No: 2023-080

Moved By: Councillor Tom Bryson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby accepts the Consent Agenda as circulated."

CARRIED

7.2 Committee (Internal/External Reports)

Resolution No: 2023-081

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby receives Board and Committee reports as circulated."

CARRIED

8 DSSAB food poverty

Resolution No: 2023-082

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

Whereas, improved financial stability allows municipal residents to participate, contribute, and invest in their local economies and communities; and

Whereas, poverty puts additional pressure on municipalities, who are responsible for delivering necessary and strained public and social services to support residents who are struggling with the consequences of inadequate income; and

Whereas, food insecurity has a detrimental impact on physical and mental health; and

Whereas, adequate income is an important social determinant of health that greatly impacts food security and other social determinants of health such as mental health, housing and transportation; and

Whereas, the 2022 Cost of Eating Well report shows that households reliant on social assistance do not have enough money for the costs of living, including food; and

Whereas,67% of households in Ontario with social assistance as their main source of income experience food insecurity.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Township of Joly support efforts to raise awareness about, and work to reduce, health inequities, including food insecurity; and

Furthermore Be It Resolved,That the Township of Joly endorse the letter from the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit and call on the Province of Ontario to:

- legislate targets for the reduction of food insecurity as part of the Ontario Poverty Reduction Strategy; and
- increase social assistance rates to reflect the costs of living, and to index Ontario Works rates to inflation going forward; and
- urge the province to resume investigating the feasibility of creating a guaranteed living wage (basic income) in the Province of Ontario; and

Furthermore Be It Resolved, That the Township of Joly provide correspondence of these resolutions to the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, neighbouring municipalities, Victor Fedeli, MPP (Nipissing), Graydon Smith, MPP (Parry Sound-Muskoka), John Vanthof, MPP (Timiskaming-Cochrane), the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier), the Honourable Merrilee Fullerton (Minister of Children, Community and Social Service), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Minister of Health) and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa), MP Anthony Rota, MP Scott Aitchison, MP Marc Serre, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).

CARRIED

9 By-Laws for Consideration

9.1 DCBO Appointment

Resolution No: 2023-083

Moved By: Councillor Chris Nicholson **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"By-Law 2023-10 being a By-Law to Appoint DCBO be read and adopted."

CARRIED

10 Administrative Matters

New Business/Reports from Officers/Employees on Various Issues (Including reports from Departments which require Council approval- NIL

10.1 CAll to Action on Housing and Homelessness

Resolution No: 2023-084

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown Seconded By: Councillor Chris Nicholson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That Township of Joly at its meeting held April 11th adopted the following:

WHEREAS the homeless crisis is taking a devastating toll on families and communities, undermining a healthy and prosperous Ontario;

WHEREAS the homelessness crisis is the result of the underinvestment and poor policy choices of successive provincial governments;

WHEREAS homelessness requires a range of housing, social service and health solutions from government;

WHEREAS homelessness is felt most at the level of local government and the residents that they serve;

WHEREAS municipalities and District Social Administration Boards are doing their part, but do not have the resources, capacity or tools to address this complex challenge; and, WHEREAS leadership and urgent action is needed from the provincial government on an emergency basis to develop, resource, and implement a comprehensive plan to prevent, reduce and ultimately end homelessness in Ontario.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Joly calls on the Provincial Government to urgently:

.Acknowledge that homelessness in Ontario is a social, economic, and health crisis; Commit to ending homelessness in Ontario;

Work with AMO and a broad range of community, health, Indigenous and economic partners to develop, resource, and implement an action plan to achieve this goal.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; and the Minister of Health, the Association of Ontario (AMO) and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

(FONOM).

CARRIED

10.2 Proposed 2023 MLEO Budget

Resolution No: 2023-086

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown Seconded By: Councillor Chris Nicholson

WHEREAS, the Council of the Township of Joly recognizes the importance of preparing for future training and equipment purchases to maintain and improve the quality of services provided to our community; and

WHEREAS, Council acknowledges the need to manage public funds responsibly and efficiently; and

WHEREAS, Council recognizes the potential benefits of building financial reserves to support the long-term financial sustainability of the municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE Township of Joly:

- 1. That any joint Municipal Law Enforcement Officer budget surplus for the current fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year shall be transferred to reserves held by the Village of South River for future training and equipment purchases.
- 2. That the reserve represents the combined contributions of the members of the joint Municipal Law Enforcement Officer service and upon dissolution or withdrawal the balance of any reserve funds will be returned in the appropriate portion to the Township of Joly.
- 3. That the Council directs that administration report to Council on the status of these reserves annually.
- 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption. ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF The Township of Joly THIS 11th DAY OF April , 2023.

CARRIED

10.2.1 South River Fire Agreement

Resolution No: 2023-085

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby receives South River Machar Fire Services Agreement and authorizes the Mayor and Deputy Clerk to enter into the agreement on behalf of the Township."

CARRIED

10.3 Proposed 2023 REC Budget

Resolution No: 2023-087

Moved By: Councillor Tom Bryson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Township of Joly acknowledges receipt and acceptance of the proposed 2023 REC budget in the amount of \$34,655.00 with Township of Joly's share being \$3,200.40 and hereby authorizes payment of same as required."

CARRIED

10.4 Proposed 2023 JBC Budget

Resolution No: 2023-088

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Township of Joly acknowledges receipt and acceptance of the Joint Building Committee 2023 proposed budget in the amount of \$338,844.00 with Township of Joly's share being \$33,884.40 and hereby authorizes payment of same as required."

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10.5 Roads Seasonal Hours

Resolution No: 2023-089

Moved By: Councillor Chris Nicholson **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby approves the Road Department to work four (4) ten (10) hour days from April 17-October 31 2023 and directs the Interim Municipal Administrator to prepare a policy regarding Road Department hours of operation for consideration at the May 2023 Regular Meeting of Council."

CARRIED

10.6 Proposed 2023 SSJ Arena budget

Resolution No: 2023-090

Moved By: Councillor Tom Bryson Seconded By: Councillor Chris Nicholson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Township of Joly acknowledges receipt and acceptance of the proposed 2023 SSJ Arena budget in the amount of \$674,847.40 with Township of Joly's share being \$46,339.69 and hereby authorizes payment of same as required."

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11 Leadership Issues

11.1 2023 Township of Joly Budget - Discussion

12 Closed Session

12.1 Closed Session: Section 239 (2)(d) re: Staffing Matters [R] JBC

Resolution No: 2023-091

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Chris Nicholson

Now Therefore Be it Resolved That:

"Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly moves into closed session at 7:25 P.M. pursuant to section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act* and specifically, subsections:

- (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- (d) labour relations or employee negotiations;
- (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (g) a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act;
- (h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them;
- (i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;
- (j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; or
- (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.

For the purpose of considering: Joint Building Committee."

CARRIED

12.2 Return to Open Meeting and Report Nature of Discussion in Closed Session.

Resolution No: 2023-092

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown **Seconded By:** Councillor Tom Bryson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"The Closed Council Meeting of April 11, 2023, be adjourned at 7:38 P.M. and Council.

AND FURTHER agrees and supports the JBC chairmans recommendations for wage increase.

CARRIED

13 Confirmatory By-law

Resolution No: 2023-093

Moved By: Councillor Tom Bryson **Seconded By:** Councillor Chris Nicholson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Bylaw 2023-011 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council, its Regular Meeting of April 11, 2023 be read and adopted."

CARRIED

14 Adjournment

Resolution No: 2023-094

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown Seconded By: Councillor Chris Nicholson NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"The Regular Council Meeting of April 11, 2023, be adjourned at 7:48 P.M.."