

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 13, 2018

A regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Joly was held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 in Council Chambers.

Present were Mayor Bruce Baker, Councillors Budd Brown Brian McCabe and Chris Nicholson, Councillor Betty Barnes is on leave of Council; Delegations Courtney Metcalf EDO, CAEDA, and John Newstead, Eastholme representative and staff, Jolene Mathieson, Office Assistant and Leanne Crozier, Clerk Treasurer, Chris Gore, Road Department arrived at 2 pm.

The Public Meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.

R2018 - 014

Brian McCabe - Budd Brown

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly approve the February 13, 2018 Council agenda as amended to include: Renewal of Property Listing. **Carried**

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest: None

Delegations:

Courtney Metcalf, Economic Development Officer for the Central Almaguin Economic Development Association attended Council to introduce herself to Council. Council were provided with an update on ongoing projects, events and meetings with business and organization owners in the area.

R2018 - 015

Chris Nicholson - Brian McCabe

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby enter into a Closed Session of Council as per the Municipal Act, S.O. c.25, section 239 2(a) the security or the property of the municipality or local board – Eastholme at 1:15 pm. **Carried**

The Council for the Township of Joly resumed the regular meeting of Council at 2 pm. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.

Chris Gore attended to discuss Road Department activities including:

- Ongoing work including plowing/sanding and equipment maintenance as required (everything is running)
- The repairs to the grader to be completed tomorrow.
- The loader was discussed including the tire/rim issue which is now complete. The repairs to the four wheel drive have been completed on one side. Chris is to take a look at the other side as time permits as we have the parts to repair if needed. Council discussed selling the loader. The Clerk is to pull information from when the loader was purchased in 2014 for further consideration of Council.
- The grader condition was discussed as well.
- 2018 equipment repairs known and anticipated were discussed. Chris was
 directed to get a quote for back tires for the backhoe for budget considerations.
 Council also discussed the changing of tires from winter to summer this spring
 directing Chris to only have the front tires changed as the back tires are all the
 same.
- 2018 road projects were discussed including Forest Lake Road from the pavement east, Sand Hill Road from Brennan's to the end of the township, and Strong Joly Boundary Road from Airport Road north to end of township. Prior to making a final determination, more information will be provided to Council.
- The culverts on Sand Hill Road at the causeway were discussed. The large culvert has a dam inside and in the area of the small culvert, flooding is an issue.
- The bridges on Strong Joly Boundary Road were also discussed due to their condition. The water issues in the area of Strong Joly Boundary Road and



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Peacock Road was also discussed. Council is of the opinion that a beaver dam on private property may be causing this flooding and will be monitored in the spring.

- The Clerk was directed to pull data on previous improvement projects to Forest Lake Road.
- Council also considered having all ditching required completed by a third party similar to the roadside mowing.
- The proposed by-law and application for access permits was reviewed. The Clerk was directed to find out how other municipalities deal with requests for wider than normal driveways and to bring the by-law back for passing at the next regular meeting.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

R2018 - 016

Chris Nicholson – Budd Brown

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly accept the minutes of the January 9, 2018 meeting, as circulated. **Carried**

New Business:

The following correspondence was reviewed by Council:

- North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit 2018 Municipal Levy
- District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board 2018 Municipal Levy
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario Main Street Revitalization Fund Announced
- Russell, Christie final report on sale of airport
- Parry Sound EMS response onto ice
- Wolf/coyote proposed recovery strategy The Clerk was directed to provide a letter strongly opposing this strategy

Staff Reports:

The following staff reports were reviewed and discussed:

2017 Council Remuneration & Expense Statement – Resolution passed

R2018 - 017

Budd Brown - Brian McCabe

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly have read and accept the 2017 Remuneration and Expenses Statements as presented. **Carried**

2018 Council Remuneration By-law – The Clerk was directed to make no changes for the 2018 by-law to be prepared for next meeting.

Changes to the Employment Standards Act

By-law Officer report – The Clerk was directed to discuss Old Ranch Road being snow plowed and have the By-law Officer follow up with an inspection and letters as deemed necessary.

2017 Budget to Actual pre audit

Resolutions/By-laws:

R2018 - 018

Brian McCabe – Chris Nicholson

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby approve the Accounts Payable as presented in the amount of \$84,534.49 up to and including February 9, 2018 and hereby authorize the Clerk Treasurer to issue cheques for same. **Carried**



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R2018 - 019

Budd Brown - Brian McCabe

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby have reviewed the correspondence received from MuniSoft regarding 2018 Spring Refresher Seminars.

And further be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby authorize the Clerk to register both office staff to participate in this training opportunity. **Carried**

R2018 - 020

Chris Nicholson - Budd Brown

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby approve of closing the office on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 to allow staff to attend trainings. **Carried**

R2018 - 021

Brian McCabe - Chris Nicholson

Whereas a coalition of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) and the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario have successfully applied to have a review of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process conducted under Part IV (Section 61) of the Environmental Bill of Rights Act, 1993 (EBR Act);

And whereas impact studies and public meetings required by the MCEA process often take two years or more to complete before construction can commence;

And whereas the MCEA requirements to evaluate alternatives are often not well aligned with prior or municipal land use planning decisions;

And whereas analysis by the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO) has demonstrated that the time to complete an EA rose from 19 months to 26.7 months and costs went from an average \$ 113,300 to \$ 386,500;

And whereas the Auditor General of Ontario has tabled recommendations for modernizing the MCEA process;

And whereas in spite of written commitments made by the Ministry of Environment between 2013 – 2015, no action has been taken;

And whereas local projects that do not have the necessary approvals could lose out on the next intake of Build Canada funding;

Therefore be it resolved that Township of Joly requests that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change take immediate steps to expedite the response process defined under the Planning Act;

And further that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change support changes to better integrate and harmonize the MCEA process with processes defined under the Planning Act;

And further that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change amend the scope of MCEA reports and studies to reduce duplication with existing public processes and decisions made under municipal Official Plans and provincial legislation. **Carried**

No one from Joly will be attending the 2018 FONOM – MMA Northeastern Municipal Conference.

R2018 - 022

Brian McCabe - Chris Nicholson

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby have reviewed the notice for the Community Guide 2018 – Price List and Media Kit for the 2018/2019 Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce Community and Business Guide as received from the Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

And further be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby authorize the Clerk to purchase a 1/8 page (business card size) ad, cost \$ 150.00. **Carried**



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Budd Brown - Chris Nicholson

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly have read By-law 2018-005 being a by-law to provide for an Interim Levy and the payment of Interim Taxes for 2018.

And that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. **Carried**

The draft minutes as received for the February 8th, 2018 TRI Council meeting and spreadsheet for the same were reviewed and discussed. Resolutions will be prepared for the March regular meeting of Council as agreed to at the TRI Council meeting.

Renewal of the property listing for the property adjacent to the municipal office/garage was discussed. Council directed the Mayor and Clerk to renew the listing with Mr. Tom Coombs for an additional 3 months and will reduce the price to \$ 79,900.

Committee Minutes & Reports:

The following committee minutes and reports were provided for review and discussion:

- Central Almaguin Economic Development Association January 15th, 2018 draft meeting minutes
- Joint Building Committee 2017 Building Permit Reports
- Central Almaguin Planning Board January 17th, 2018 draft meeting minutes
- Sundridge & District Medical Centre November 21st, 2017 draft meeting minutes
- Sundridge & District Medical Centre December 19th, 2017 draft meeting minutes
- Sundridge & District Medical Centre January 16th, 2018 draft meeting minutes
- Joint Building Committee Permit Summary as of January 31st, 2018
- Sundridge Strong Joly Arena February 7th, 2018 draft meeting minutes
- Mayor Bruce Baker provided a verbal update on the recent Almaguin Highlands Health Centre meeting.

R2018 - 024

Chris Nicholson - Budd Brown

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby enter into a Closed Session of Council as per the Municipal Act, S.O. c.25, section 239 2(d) labour relations or employee negotiations – Office Assistant; and 2(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board - Nobes at 4:55 pm. **Carried**

The Council for the Township of Joly resumed the regular meeting of Council at 5:40 pm. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.

R2018 - 025

Chris Nicholson - Budd Brown

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Joly hereby appoint the following staff and members of Council as signing officers for the Corporation: Mayor Bruce Baker, Councillor Betty Barnes, Clerk Treasurer Leanne Crozier and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Jolene Mathieson. All cheques will require any two signatures on every payment. **Carried**

List of Correspondence (not included in agenda): Nothing requested to be brought forward to next agenda



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R2018 - 026 Brian McCabe - Chris Nicholson

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby adjourn at 5:42 pm until the next regular meeting on March 13, 2018 at 5:30 pm or at the call of the Mayor. **Carried**

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY BRUCE BAKER
Mayor

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY LEANNE CROZIER
Clerk