



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH
COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA
6:30 p.m. - Wednesday, March 20, 2024
Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Moment of Silent Reflection**
3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
4. **Adoption of the previous minutes**
 - a. Regular Council Meeting – March 6, 2024 4-9

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, be adopted as circulated.
5. **Accounts**

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register dated March 6, 2024, in the amount of \$204,207.79 be approved as presented. 10
6. **New Business and Discussion Items**
7. **Staff and Committee Reports**
 - a. 2024 Budget and Summer Council Meetings Schedule 11-12

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the 2024 summer and budget meeting schedule be received for information, and

That the proposed timeline for budget preparations be accepted for information, and

That Council approves the proposed schedule of an additional, special meeting to be held _____ beginning at ___ p.m., and meeting Wednesdays, July ___, and August ___, 2024, returning to a regular meeting rotation on Wednesday, September 4th, 2024, and

That Council directs staff to advertise for the changes to the regular Council meeting schedule.
 - b. Funding Application Request: Seniors' Fitness and Wellness 13

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Manager of Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services regarding BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Manager of Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services regarding the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant application to fund fitness and wellness programs as well as equipment, and;

THAT council approves staff to apply to the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant for instructor fees and equipment purchase.

c. 3-Year Annual Monitoring and Reporting Proposal

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer regarding the 3-Year Annual Monitoring Agreement with Pinchin be received by Council; and that staff be authorized to execute the proposal with Pinchin as a compliance requirement under the Site Certificate of Approval (C of A) number A561701.

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d. OPP Detachment Board Appointment

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding appointment of a Council representative to the East Algoma OPP Detachment Boards be received, and

THAT Council, as required by the Ministry of the Solicitor General, appoints _____ as their representative of the East Algoma OPP Detachment Board #1.

e. Integrity Commissioner Report

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from Ironside Consulting Services regarding the annual integrity commissioner report for the period covering April 15, 2023, to December 31, 2023, be received for information.

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f. Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Grant for Go North

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding a Northern Ontario Heritage Fund application for the Go North Festival be received: and

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That Council authorizes staff to apply for the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund, Northern Event Partnership Program for the 2024 Go North Music Festival; and

That Council commits to funding any deficits for the Go North Music Festival from the Events Reserve if funding requests are declined by the NOHFC or other agencies.

8. Correspondence

| Item # | Description | Action |
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| Items with a request for support (resolutions) | | |
| A | Twp. of Amaranth – Req for Reallocation of Funds for Municipal Infrastructure Costs and Housing Construction Initiatives | 17 |
| B | Twp. of Amaranth – Equivalent operating funding for all municipalities | 18 |
| C | Town of Bracebridge – Req to Province for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework | 19-20 |
| D | Municipality of Brighton – Create Coherent and Standardized Ride Sharing Svcs | 21-22 |
| E | Town of Cobourg - Municipal Heritage Registers | 23-24 |

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT correspondence items A through F be received for information; and

That the recommended actions be taken.

9. Closed Session

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proceed into Closed Session at ____ p.m. in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

- a. Fire Department Staff
- b. Summer Student Staff

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does rise from Closed Session at ____ p.m.

10. By-Laws

- a. Confirmation

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-12 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on March 20, 2024; and THAT said by-law be passed in open council on March 20, 2024.

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11. Adjournment

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Council of the Township of St. Joseph adjourn at _____ p.m. to meet again at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, or at the call of the chair.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH
COUNCIL MEETING
DRAFT MINUTES
6:30 p.m. - Wednesday, March 6, 2024
Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing

| Present | |
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| Council | Mayor Jody Wildman Councillor Steven Adams Councillor Bryon Hall Councillor Cameron Ross Councillor Greg Senecal |
| Staff | Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator |
| Delegations | Carla Buckner, PUC |

1. Call to Order

Mayor Wildman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Moment of Silent Reflection

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Adoption of the previous minutes

- a. Regular Council Meeting – February 21, 2024

Resolution #2024-58

Moved By: Greg Senecal

Seconded By: Bryon Hall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

5. Accounts

Resolution #2024-59

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register dated March 6, 2024, in the amount of \$69,780.28 be approved as presented.

Carried.

6. Presentations

- a. PUC – 2023 Annual Review

Carla Buckner of the PUC presented Council with a review of the annual report for water and wastewater services for Richards Landing. Future capital expenditures were also discussed, and staff will work with the PUC to include the necessary items in the 2024 budget.

7. New Business and Discussion Items

a. Short Term Rental Draft By-Law

Resolution #2024-60

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorized staff to begin the public notification process regarding a zoning by-law amendment for Short-term residential rentals, and

That a public meeting be set for April 3, 2024, to consider adoption of the proposed by-law amendment.

Carried.

b. Public Health Ontario (PHO) Lab Closure

Resolution #2024-61

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Bryon Hall

WHEREAS on December 6, 2023, the Ontario Auditor General's report and recommendations for Public Health Ontario (PHO) recommends that six PHO labs, including the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab, be closed, and

WHEREAS the Auditor General only visited one lab in Northern Ontario (Sudbury) and only four labs altogether, and only interviewed medical officers from eight out of 34 of Ontario's public health units, and

WHEREAS the Auditor General did not take the opportunity to hear from Northern Ontario residents and communities that would be impacted by its recommendations about the health care inequities already faced by northern Ontarians, and

WHEREAS the title of the Auditor General's report "Value for Money Audit", clearly indicates that the primary objective of its recommendations are financial and are not focussed on addressing existing inequities of health care services in Northern Ontario, and WHEREAS testing has been gradually removed from the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab meaning that the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab has had to send these samples elsewhere to be tested, and

WHEREAS this has resulted in skewed statistics being considered by the Auditor General and published in its report as justification for its recommendation to close the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab, and

WHEREAS the staff employed at the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab have the expertise, experience and knowledge to perform more testing for Sault Ste. Marie and the surrounding region which would result in improved testing turnaround times for residents, and

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has provided a prime example of the inequities faced by residents of the Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma region when they had to wait 10+ days for their COVID-19 test results even though there was the experience and expertise in the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab to run the tests if the PCR COVID testing was added to the Sault Ste. Marie lab, and

WHEREAS timely testing is key to identifying and confirming dangers to public health and preventing the growth of outbreaks and the spread of infection and the prevention of widespread outbreaks, and

WHEREAS many rural residents in the Algoma region rely on the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab to test the private well water, and

WHEREAS the closure of the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab would mean longer wait times in getting results from beach water, hotel and recreation centre spas/pools and provincial park water sampling for the region, or even the cessation of sampling altogether due to time sensitivity, and

WHEREAS Sault Ste. Marie and area is currently faced an acute shortage of doctors and the availability of clinical/diagnostic testing supports the attraction and retention of doctors, and

WHEREAS a strong local health care system requires a critical mass of skilled health care professionals and health care services, which includes reliable and timely lab testing, and WHEREAS there is a shortage of medical laboratory technologists (MLTs) in Ontario and the closure of the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab will result in the loss of eight full-time positions of skilled and experienced and lab attendants, and

WHEREAS lab staff at Sault Area Hospital are already overburdened with lab testing from critical care (ER, ICU, wards), and

WHEREAS before the PHO moves on with their plan, it requires approval from the Ontario Ministry of Health,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of St. Joseph advise the Ontario's Minister of Health that it is opposed to the closure of the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Township of St. Joseph requests that the PHO be directed to review past decisions to remove the Sault Ste. Marie PHO lab's ability to test samples, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to Ontario's Minister of Health, municipalities across Algoma, the Algoma District Municipal Association (ADMA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Algoma-Manitoulin's Member of Provincial Parliament Michael Mantha, Sault Ste. Marie's Member of

Provincial Parliament Ross Romano, the Leader of Ontario's Official Opposition (Marit Stiles) and the Official Opposition's Health Critic (France Gelinias).
Carried.

- c. Mayor Wildman – announcement of funding for seniors' fitness equipment at the WI park from the Ministry of Seniors and Accessibility.
- d. Councillor Hall – Request to replace bench near WI Pickleball court for walkers when possible.

8. Staff and Committee Reports

- a. 2023 Building Permit Report
Resolution #2024-62
Moved By: Cameron Ross
Seconded By: Bryon Hall
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer regarding that Building Permit Annual Report for 2023 be received for information.
Carried.
- b. 2024 Bi-Annual Bridge Inspection Tender Results
Resolution #2024-63
Moved By: Steven Adams
Seconded By: Greg Senecal
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the result of the 2024 tender results for bridge inspections among five local municipalities be received; and That Council approves the bid from Kresin Engineering in the amount of \$3,729.00 for The Township of St. Joseph.
Carried.
- c. 2024 Go North Music Festival Special Occasion and Noise Bylaw Exemption
Resolution #2024-64
Moved By: Greg Senecal
Seconded By: Steven Adams
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding the Go North Music Festival Special Occasion Permit and Noise Bylaw Exemption be received, and;

That Council deems this concert to be an event of municipal significance to the community and supports the application for a Special Occasion Permit for both July 25 and July 27; and

That Council authorizes the exemption from the Noise By-Law to allow music to be amplified until 12:00 a.m. for the Go North Music Festival on July 28, 2024.
Carried.

- d. OPP Detachment Board Appointment
Resolution #2024- 65
Moved By: Greg Senecal
Seconded By: Bryon Hall
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding appointment of a Council representative to the East Algoma OPP Detachment Boards be received.
Carried.

- e. RFQ Results – Pickle Ball & WI
Resolution #2024-66
Moved By: Cameron Ross
Seconded By: Greg Senecal
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding the results of a Request for Quotation (RFQ) for the WI Park and Pickleball Court Upgrades RFQ 2024-02 be received for information, and

That staff be authorized to enter into an agreement with Tom Young Builders for the WI Park and Pickleball Court upgrades.
Carried.

9. Correspondence

| Item # | Description | Action |
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| Items to be received for information | | |
| A | OPP - Police Service Board Reports Dec/Jan | Receive |
| Items with a request for support (resolutions) | | |
| B | Town of Lincoln – Increased funding for libraries and museums | Receive |
| C | Township of Perry – Amend Blue Box Regulation for ‘Ineligible’ Sources | Support |
| D | City of Clarence-Rockland – National 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Hotline | Receive |

Resolution #2024-67
 Moved By: Bryon Hall
 Seconded By: Greg Senecal
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT correspondence items A through D be received for information; and
 That the recommended actions be taken.
 Carried.

10. Closed Session

Resolution #2024-68
 Moved By: Bryon Hall
 Seconded By: Greg Senecal
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proceed into Closed Session at 8:21 p.m. in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

- a. Fire Department Staff

Carried.

Mayor Wildman and Councillor Adams declared a conflict with the closed session item and left the meeting. Councillor Hall chaired the closed portion of the meeting.

Resolution #2024-69

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does rise from Closed Session at 8:47 p.m.

Carried.

Resolution #2024-70

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the hiring process for Fire Chief be received, and

THAT Council authorize a screening and selection process be initiated as discussed.

Carried.

11. By-Laws

a. Confirmation

Resolution #2024-71

Moved By: Bryon Hall

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-11 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on March 6, 2024; and THAT said by-law be passed in open council on March 6, 2024.

Carried.

12. Adjournment

Resolution #2024-72

Moved By: Greg Senecal

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Council of the Township of St. Joseph adjourn at 8:52 p.m. to meet again at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, or at the call of the chair.

Carried.

Joseph Wildman, Mayor

Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

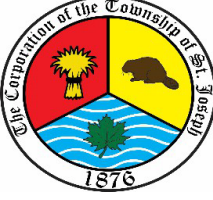
TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

Disbursements

20-Mar-24

RESOLUTION #2024-

| CHQ # | DATE | VENDOR NAME | DESCRIPTION | Amount |
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| 6389 | 3/11/2024 | BELL CANADA | VARIOUS DEPTS - TELEPHONE | \$ 1,035.34 |
| various | 3/11/2024 | SENIORS MOW MILEAGE | SENIORS - MOW MILEAGE FEB 2024 | 949.45 |
| various | 3/11/2024 | SENIORS TRANSPORTATION | SENIORS - TRANSPORTATION FEB 2024 | 2,646.20 |
| 107747 | 3/11/2024 | ABELL PEST CONTROL INC | RECREATION - OTH PEST CONTROL | 66.43 |
| 107748 | 3/11/2024 | ALGOMA DISTRICT SERVICES ADMIN BOARD | MUNIICPAL LEVY MAR 2024 | 65,410.92 |
| 107749 | 3/11/2024 | AIR LIQUIDE CANADA INC | ROADS - ANNUAL CYLINDER RENTAL | 270.52 |
| 107750 | 3/11/2024 | ALGOMA AG CENTRE | ROADS - FUEL | 398.90 |
| 107751 | 3/11/2024 | ALGOMA BUSINESS COMPUTERS | VARIOUS DEPTS - MICROSOFT LICENCES | 284.85 |
| 107752 | 3/11/2024 | ALGOMA MANOR | SENIORS - TRANSPORTATION VAN RENTAL | 124.80 |
| 107753 | 3/11/2024 | ALGOMA OFFICE EQUIPMENT | SENIORS - COPIER LEASE | 76.68 |
| 107757 | 3/11/2024 | KIMBERLY CHEESEMAN | PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE | 52.57 |
| 107758 | 3/11/2024 | MELISSA CRIPPS | SENIORS - DAY OUT MILEAGE | 46.20 |
| 107761 | 3/11/2024 | ENCOMPASSIT | CEMETRY - SOFTWARE LICENCE FEE | 4,520.00 |
| 107762 | 3/11/2024 | JENNY ENNS | PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE | 383.18 |
| 107764 | 3/11/2024 | MARGO GIBSON | SENIORS - EXERCISE MILEAGE | 63.00 |
| 107765 | 3/11/2024 | GENEVIEVE GONNEAU | SENIORS - DAY OUT MILEAGE | 95.20 |
| 107766 | 3/11/2024 | GREEN FOR LIFE ENVIRONMENTAL | LANDFILL - RECYCLING BIN EMPTY | 1,841.81 |
| 107771 | 3/11/2024 | ISLAND CLIPPINGS | ADMIN - HR ADVERTISING | 158.20 |
| 107773 | 3/11/2024 | KENTVALE MERCHANTS LTD. | VARIOUS DEPTS - SUPPLIES | 286.85 |
| 107774 | 3/11/2024 | ELIZABETH LANE | PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE | 381.50 |
| 107775 | 3/11/2024 | LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES | VARIOUS DEPTS - SUPPLIES | 1,671.06 |
| 107776 | 3/11/2024 | ROBERT MACKAY | ROADS - HEALTH AND SAFETY | 339.00 |
| 107778 | 3/11/2024 | MASSEY WHOLESALE LIMITED | SENIORS - DINERS/MOW FOOD | 198.73 |
| 107781 | 3/11/2024 | NORTHSHORE SENTINEL | ADMIN - HR ADVERTISING | 159.47 |
| 107782 | 3/11/2024 | DAVID PEARSE | BLEO/AC - MILEAGE | 56.70 |
| 107783 | 3/11/2024 | PINCHIN LTD | LANDFILL - ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT | 3,390.00 |
| 107784 | 3/11/2024 | PIONEER CONSTRUCTION | ROADS - PATCHING | 974.79 |
| 107786 | 3/11/2024 | SHERRY RODGERS | PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE | 550.20 |
| 107787 | 3/11/2024 | ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 374 | SENIORS - HALL RENTALS | 1,032.50 |
| 107794 | 3/11/2024 | TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD | CBO - MEMBERSHIP FEES | 22.95 |
| PAP | 3/11/2024 | ALGOMA POWER INC | ROADS - STREETLIGHT POWER | 1,056.85 |
| DD | 3/8/2024 | MONTHLY PAYROLL | FEBRUARY | 3,794.33 |
| DD | 3/8/2024 | BI-WEEKLY PAYROLL | PAY PERIOD # 5 | 28,641.76 |
| 6393 | 3/13/2024 | RECEIVER GENERAL | FIRE - RADIO LICENCES | 278.26 |
| 107796 | 3/13/2024 | ALGOMA AG CENTRE | ROADS - FUEL | 2,252.27 |
| 107797 | 3/13/2024 | EQUITABLE LIFE OF CANADA | GROUP BENEFITS FEB 2024 | 6,886.82 |
| 107798 | 3/13/2024 | GREEN FOR LIFE ENVIRONMENTAL | LANDFILL - RECYCLING BIN EMPTY | 7,719.01 |
| 107799 | 3/13/2024 | KENTVALE MERCHANTS LTD. | VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - SUPPLIES | 780.50 |
| 107800 | 3/13/2024 | MASSEY WHOLESALE LIMITED | SENIORS - MOW/DINERS FOOD & SUPPLIES | 831.81 |
| 107801 | 3/13/2024 | ONTARIO COMMUNITY SUPPORT ASSOCIATION | SENIORS - ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP | 520.00 |
| 107802 | 3/13/2024 | ONT MUNICIPAL EMPL RETIREMENT SYSTEM | PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS FEB 2024 | 13,765.56 |
| 107803 | 3/13/2024 | TRACTION (UAP INC) | ROADS - EQUIPMENT PARTS | 229.85 |
| PAP | 3/13/2024 | MINISTER OF FINANCE | EMPLOYER HEALTH TAX 2023 | 22,875.76 |
| PAP | 3/13/2024 | RECEIVER GENERAL | PAYROLL REMITTANCE FEB 2024 | 23,616.01 |
| PAP | 3/13/2024 | TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH | VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - TWP W/S BILLS | 3,471.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | \$ 204,207.79 |

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|  | Township of St. Joseph | |
| | Report To Council | |
| | FROM: | Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator |
| | DATE: | March 20, 2024 |
| | SUBJECT: | 2024 Summer & Budget Council Schedule |
| RECOMMENDATION: | <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the 2024 summer and budget meeting schedule be received for information, and</p> <p>That the proposed timeline for budget preparations be accepted for information, and</p> <p>That Council approves the proposed schedule of an additional, special meeting to be held _____ beginning at __ p.m., and meeting Wednesdays, July __, and August __, 2024, returning to a regular meeting rotation on Wednesday, September 4th, 2024.</p> <p>That Council directs staff to advertise for the changes to the regular Council meeting schedule.</p> | |

Background

Council is asked to confirm a summer meeting schedule for the information of the public. Any deviation from the schedule set out in the Procedure By-law of the first and third Wednesday must be advertised. Council typically reduces the regular meeting schedule to one meeting per month.

Recommended dates for once per month meetings in the middle of the month would be July 17th, and August 16th or 21st, 2024. Council would resume their regular schedule on Wednesday, September 4th.

Staff has discussed a timeline for budget presentations and feels that the following is feasible for the passing the 2024 budget:

The April 3rd and 17th meetings will contain presentations from various department heads. A special budget meeting will be held on either May 8th or 22nd for remaining deliberations and department reviews. Final budget to be passed at the May 15th or June 5th regular Council meeting depending on the date set for the budget meeting.

A proposed 2024 Council meeting schedule has been attached for reference.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

Summary

Council may accept the recommendation as presented or consider other options.



Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

Township of St. Joseph 2024 Council Schedule

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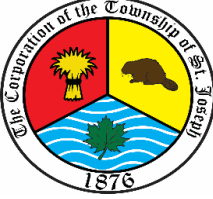
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Regular/Scheduled Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

Budget Meeting - 5:00 p.m.

Summer Meetings - 6:30 p.m.

**Meetings are held in Council Chambers:
1669 Arthur Street
Richards Landing**

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|  | Township of St. Joseph | |
| | Report To Council | |
| | FROM: | Marcy Clark, Manager of Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services |
| | DATE: | March 20, 2024 |
| | SUBJECT: | Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant, request funding for Fitness programs and equipment |
| RECOMMENDATION: | <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Manager of Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services regarding the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant application to fund fitness and wellness programs as well as equipment, and;</p> <p>That council approves staff to apply to the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant for instructor fees and equipment purchase.</p> | |

Background:

The Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant - Seniors Community Grant supports local not-for-profit community groups and organizations to deliver projects, supports and resources that help older adults (aged 55+) to: live independently, live with safety and security, stay connected to their community, avoid isolation and achieve greater financial security and social connections.

The goal is to provide this neglected age group with fitness and wellness programs. These programs will promote volunteerism and generation integration to rural, remote, socially isolated individuals and underserved communities. With this funding we would be able to hire instructors for potential activities such as art, various types of yoga, pilates, zumba, tai chi, walking groups, sno-ga, snow shoeing, and self-defense classes.

As there are no gyms, or structured activities within a 50+ km radius, it would provide options for individuals to remain or become more active, promoting health and wellness, body and mind. This project will potentially support or impact 250+ individuals in our areas.

Financial Implications:

The Ministry for Seniors - Seniors Community Grant funds up to \$25,000 and 100% of eligible expenses.

The Estimate of the project is currently being explored through investigations regarding equipment and instructor costs.

Options:

Council may approve staff to apply or may defer or deny the request to apply for this funding.



Marcy Clark
Manager Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services



| Township of St. Joseph | |
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| Report To Council | |
| FROM: | Michelle Pearse, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer |
| DATE: | March 20, 2024 |
| SUBJECT: | Pinchin Proposal for 3-Year Annual Monitoring and Reporting Program |

RECOMMENDATION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer regarding the 3-Year Annual Monitoring Agreement with Pinchin be received by Council: and

That staff be authorized to execute the proposal with Pinchin as a compliance requirement under the Site Certificate of Approval (C of A) number A561701. The cost of the proposal is projected as \$36,000 for the proposed 3-year term.

Background

In accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Compliance Approval issued by the Ministry of Environment and Climate change, as approved by Council, PINCHIN has submitted the attached proposal for monitoring of the landfill site and annual reports on their findings.

It is proposed and recommended that PINCHIN continue to monitor ground water through routine samples collected in Spring and Fall annually for 2024, 2025, and 2026 while providing Annual Monitoring Reports outlining their results.

Financial Implications

The quotation for spring and fall monitoring, including lab fees, project management, travel and disbursements is \$4,500 per visit. The annual report is \$3,000 for each year. In summary, the 3-year total projected cost will be \$36,000+HST. The amount of this proposal represents an increase of \$1,800 over the previous 3-year period.

Summary

Although, having a fixed cost for budget combined with Pinchin’s historical knowledge and experience with this site are beneficial to the Township, Council may accept the recommendation as presented or discuss other options for mandatory annual monitoring and testing.

Michelle Pearse

Michelle Pearse
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer



MEMORANDUM

TO: The Corporation of the Township of St. Joseph

FROM: Antoinette Blunt, Integrity Commissioner
Ironside Consulting Services Inc

DATE: Report Submitted: 5 March 2024

SUBJECT: Report of the Integrity Commissioner
Covering the period from April 15, 2023, to December 31, 2023

Appointment

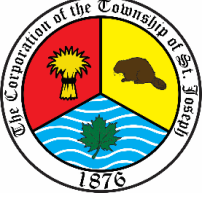
On February 13, 2019, the Council of The Corporation of the Township of St. Joseph appointed Antoinette Blunt, President, Ironside Consulting Services Inc. as the Municipality's first Integrity Commissioner. The appointment was effective January 23, 2019 until December 31, 2021, according to By-Law No. 2019-05. Subsequently, on March 16, 2022, Council passed By-Law 2022-19, extending the term of appointment until December 31, 2024.

Municipal Act, 2001

Section 223.6 (1) of the Municipal Act states, that " If the Commissioner provides a periodic report to the municipality on his or her activities, the Commissioner may summarize advice he or she has given but shall not disclose confidential information that could identify a person concerned. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 98."

Activities, Expenditures During Period and Total Since Appointment

There were no requests for advice or inquiries during this reporting period. There were no expenditures during this reporting period and none since date of appointment.

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|  | Township of St. Joseph | |
| | Report To Council | |
| | FROM: | Sherie Gladu, Community Projects Coordinator |
| | DATE: | March 20, 2024 |
| | SUBJECT: | Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Grant for Go North amended resolution |
| RECOMMENDATION: | <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding a Northern Ontario Heritage Fund application for the Go North Festival be received: and</p> <p>That Council authorizes staff to apply for the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund, Northern Event Partnership Program for the 2024 Go North Music Festival; and</p> <p>That Council commits to funding any deficits for the Go North Music Festival from the Events Reserve if funding requests are declined by the NOHFC or other agencies.</p> | |

Background

The NOHFC requires an amendment to resolution 2024-49 from February 21, 2024 to include a commitment to funding the event if funding requests are declined.



Sherie Gladu, Community Projects Coordinator



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February 23, 2024

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation

Sent by email to: Premier@ontario.ca; Minister.mto@ontario.ca

Re: Resolution on Highway 413

At its regular meeting of Council held on February 21, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution #: 3

Moved by: G Little

Seconded by: A. Stirk

Whereas the Township of Amaranth recognizes the importance for efficient and effective transportation networks in the Province and;

Whereas, the Province has committed to getting 1.5 millions home built within the next 10 years or less.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Township of Amaranth request that the Province of Ontario pause advancement on proposed highway 413 and redirect the approximate \$8 billion cost for highway 413 to support municipal infrastructure costs and housing construction initiatives and;

Further be it resolved that at least 50% of those funds be allocated for small urban and rural Ontario with populations less than 50,000. **CARRIED**

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information on this matter.

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.
CAO/Clerk

Copy: Hon. Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org
Hon. Kinga Surma, MPP Etobicoke Centre kinga.surmaco@pc.ola.org
Dufferin County Municipalities



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March 12, 2024

Hon. Paul Calandra
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Sent by email to: Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org

Re: Operational Budget Funding

At its regular meeting of Council held on March 6, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution.

Resolution #: 4

Moved by: G Little

Seconded by: A. Stirk

Whereas all Ontario municipalities are prohibited from running budget deficits for operating purposes, and;

Whereas all Ontario municipalities have similar pressures with respect to aging infrastructure and operating costs for policing, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has recently received Provincial funding to cover a \$1.2 billion dollar operating shortfall and approximately \$12 million in Federal and Provincial funding for their Police operating budget, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has the lowest tax rates in the Province, approximately 40% less than the average Dufferin rural municipal tax rate.

Be it Resolved That the Township of Amaranth call on the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information on this matter.

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.

CAO/Clerk

C: Premier of Ontario; AMO; Ontario Municipalities

March 14, 2024

Re: Item for Discussion – Resolution of Support Regarding Request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework

At its meeting of March 13, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge ratified motion #24-GC-053, regarding Resolution of Support Regarding Request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework, as follows:

“WHEREAS the current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario’s economic prosperity and quality of life;

AND WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year;

AND WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;

AND WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;

AND WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity;

AND WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can’t afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need;

AND WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

AND WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Bracebridge calls on the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking, with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

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Bracebridge, ON
P1L 1R6 Canada

telephone: (705) 645-5264
corporate services and finance fax: (705) 645-1262
public works fax: (705) 645-7525
planning & development fax: (705) 645-4209

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Finance; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO); the Muskoka and Area Indigenous Leadership Table (MAILT); and all Ontario Municipalities.”

In accordance with Council's direction, I am forwarding you a copy of the resolution for your reference.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional clarification in this regard.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lori McDonald". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lori McDonald
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk



Date: February 20, 2024

Resolution COU-2024-063

Moved By: Councillor Byron Faretis

Seconded By: Councillor Jeff Wheeldon

Whereas, the Municipality of Brighton faces challenges related to limited access to transportation, and there exists a pressing need for a ride-sharing service to address transportation gaps within our community;

And Whereas Rideshare services are increasingly relied upon by seniors, students, visitors and tourists, and residents looking for safe, affordable, convenient, and reliable ways to travel;

And Whereas, the standardization and consistency of regulations across municipalities, particularly in Ontario, can improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the regulatory framework;

And Whereas, transferring the responsibility of ride-share regulations and licensing to the provincial level would contribute to a more streamlined and uniform governance structure, while eliminating associated red tape and unnecessary administrative costs;

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Municipality of Brighton Council hereby expresses its support for the migration of ride-share regulations and licensing from the municipal level to the provincial level;

Be It Further Resolved that the Municipality of Brighton Council formally requests the Government of Ontario to initiate the transfer of responsibilities in the interest of creating a more coherent and standardized regulatory framework for ride-sharing services across the province;

Be It Further Resolved that copies of this motion be distributed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable David Piccini, Member of Provincial Parliament for Northumberland-Peterborough South; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, the County of Northumberland; and all six neighbouring Northumberland lower-tier municipalities, and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried OR Defeated

Mayor

| Recorded Vote | | <i>For Clerks Use Only</i> | | | |
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| Deputy Mayor Ron Anderson | | | | | |
| Councillor Byron Faretis | | | | | |
| Councillor Anne Butwell | | | | | |
| Councillor Emily Rowley | | | | | |
| Councillor Jeff Wheeldon | | | | | |
| Councillor Bobbi Wright | | | | | |
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The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

Resolution

All Ontario Municipalities

Sent via email

Town of Cobourg
55 King Street West,
Cobourg, ON, K9A 2M2
clerk@cobourg.ca
Town of Cobourg

March 8, 2024

RE: Correspondence from the Architectural Conservancy Ontario regarding Proposed Amendment to Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act with respect to the removal of listed (non-designated) properties from municipal heritage registers

Please be advised that the Town of Cobourg Council, at its meeting held on February 28, 2024, passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act stipulates that any non-designated heritage property listed on the municipal register of properties as of December 31, 2022 shall be removed from the municipal register on or before January 1, 2025, if the council of the municipality does not give a notice of intention to designate the property under subsection 29(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act on or before January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS since January 1, 2023, municipal staff and members of the municipal heritage committee in the Town of Cobourg have been diligently working to: review the municipal heritage register; research the heritage value and interest of listed (non-designated) properties; review and research the heritage value and interest of non-designated properties; contact owners of such properties; determine which properties should potentially be designated in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act; and take all required steps to designate such properties; and

WHEREAS the above-noted work involving 213 listed properties in the Town of Cobourg is extremely time-consuming and cannot be completed by December 31, 2024 with the limited municipal resources available.



The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

Resolution

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Cobourg authorize the Mayor to promptly send a letter to Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and Michael Ford, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, requesting that Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act be amended to extend the above-noted deadline for five years from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2030; and

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to forward this resolution to all 443 municipalities in Ontario seeking support of the ACO correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristina Lepik".

Kristina Lepik
Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services

From: [TVT Deputy Clerk](#)
To: [TVT Deputy Clerk](#)
Subject: Council Direction - Declaration of a Climate Change Crisis
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 10:47:33 AM

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada:

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting on February 27th, 2024 adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #C-2024-02-15

MOVED BY: Korrine Jordan

SECONDED BY: Greg Hallam

“WHEREAS, climate change annually contributes to hundreds of billions of dollars in property and infrastructure damage worldwide, stressing local to national and international economies;

WHEREAS, climate change jeopardizes the health and risks the extinction of millions of species worldwide, stressing and weakening the health and integrity of ecosystems everywhere;

WHEREAS, climate change harms the health and security of people through intense wildfires, flooding, storms, droughts, rising sea levels, the spread of invasive insects bearing diseases, negative impacts on agriculture, and food supply interruption, thus further stressing social, economic, and political systems;

WHEREAS, there is now a large body of evidence and climate change risk scenarios which point to the imperative for steep and permanent reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, immediately and in the coming decades, in order to avoid many climate change “tipping points” which, if crossed, will render further and devastating ecological, economic, and societal losses;

AND WHEREAS, a crisis can be defined as "a dangerous situation requiring immediate action";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Tay Valley Township officially declares a climate change crisis for the purposes of naming, framing, and deepening our commitment in our climate action plan to protecting our local ecosystems, local economy, and our community from climate change;

THAT, this resolution be revisited each term of Council and within the first year of the new council;

AND THAT, this resolution be provided to Prime Minister Trudeau and all federal ministers with portfolios related to climate change; to all federal Opposition party leaders; to MP Scott Reid; to Premier Ford and all Ontario ministers with portfolios related to climate change; to MPP John Jordan and all other Ontario MPPs; to all Ontario Municipalities and the local media.”

ADOPTED

Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

BY-LAW 2024-12

**A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting held on
March 20, 2024.**

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c25, as amended, provides that a municipal Council shall exercise its powers by by-law, except where otherwise provided; and

WHEREAS in many cases, action which is taken or authorized by Council to be taken does not lend itself to an individual by-law;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of St. Joseph hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the actions of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of St. Joseph at its meeting on March 20, 2024, in respect to each motion, resolution, direction and other action passed and taken by Council, except where the prior approval of the Ontario Municipal Board is required, is hereby adopted, ratified, and confirmed.
2. That the Mayor and the proper officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or actions, to obtain approvals where required, and to execute any and all documents as may be necessary, and to affix the corporate seal to all such documents as required.

Passed in open Council on March 20, 2024.

Joseph Wildman
Mayor

Amanda Richardson
Clerk Administrator