



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**AGENDA**  
**6:30 p.m. - Wednesday, April 17, 2024**  
**Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Moment of Silent Reflection**
- 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
- 4. New Business and Discussion Items**
- 5. Adoption of the previous minutes**
  - a. Regular Council Meeting – April 3, 2024 3-6  
**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, be adopted as circulated.
- 6. Accounts**  
**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register dated April 17, 2024, in the amount of \$190,379.49 be approved as presented. 7
- 7. Public Meeting**
  - a. Zoning By-Law Amendment: Short Term Residential Rental 8-9
- 8. Presentations**
  - a. 2024 Draft Budget Presentations – Erica Pollock, Treasurer:  
Water & Sewer Services
- 9. Staff and Committee Reports**
  - a. RFQ #2024- WI Park & Pickleball Upgrades: Change Order #1 10  
**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding a change order for the WI Park and Pickleball Court Upgrades RFQ 2024-02 be received for information, and  
That staff be authorized to approve additional expenses as outlined for the WI Park and Pickleball Court upgrades.
  - b. Summer Position increase policy 11  
**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the development of a remuneration policy for Township of St. Joseph summer positions be received, and  
That Council authorizes staff to develop a policy to set base wages and criteria for increases based on length of service.
  - c. St. Joseph Island Planning Board – Consent Application # 2024-02 LOT 3 CON E 12-13  
**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT

## 10. Correspondence

Item #	Description	Action
<b>Items with a request for support (resolutions)</b>		
a.	City of Sault Ste. Marie – Intimate Partner Violence	14-15
b.	Prince Edward County – Call to Action to meet AODA Deadline	16-17
c.	City of Guelph – In Support of OEB to end Subsidization of Fossil Gas	18-20
d.	FONOM – Hope Air Declaration	21-22

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

That the recommended actions be taken.

## 11. 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. Casual Administrative Assistant
- b. Fire Chief

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

## 12. By-Laws

- a. Short Term Residential Rentals

**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-\_\_\_\_ being a By-Law to

- b. Confirmation

**Recommendation:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-\_\_\_\_ being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on April 3, 2024; and THAT said by-law be passed in open council on April 3, 2024.

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## 13. 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 17, 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, April 3, 2024**  
**Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing**

<b>Present</b>	
<b>Council</b>	Mayor Jody Wildman Councillor Steven Adams Councillor Bryon Hall Councillor Cameron Ross Councillor Greg Senecal
<b>Staff</b>	Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator Erica Pollock, Treasurer Marcy Clark, Manager Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services

**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. New Business and Discussion Items**

- a. Councillor Adams – Waive boat launch fees for veteran, Marina Committee asked for recommendation to Council.

**5. Adoption of the previous minutes**

- a. Regular Council Meeting – March 20, 2024  
Resolution #2024- 90  
Moved By: Steven Adams  
Seconded By: Bryon Hall  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, be adopted as circulated.  
Carried.

**6. Accounts**

Resolution #2024- 91  
Moved By: Cameron Ross  
Seconded By: Bryon Hall  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register dated April 3, 2024, in the amount of \$163,008.49 be approved as presented.  
Carried.

**7. Presentations**

- a. 2024 Draft Budget Presentations:  
Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services – Marcy Clark, Erica Pollock

Overall, -16.4% draft budget was presented to Council for final consideration during budget deliberations.

## 8. Staff and Committee Reports

- a. 2023 Investment Report  
Resolution #2024- 92  
Moved By: Bryon Hall  
Seconded By: Steven Adams  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2023 Annual Report on Investments from the Treasurer be received for information.  
Carried.
- b. Request for Use: Island Flames Pizza  
Resolution #2024- 93  
Moved By: Cameron Ross  
Seconded By: Bryon Hall  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding a request for use of public space by Island Flames Pizza as a weekly food truck vendor in Richards Landing for the 2024 summer season be received for information, and  
  
THAT staff be directed to draft changes to the hawkers & peddlers by-law and seek comment from local food vendors.  
Carried.
- c. Zoning By-Law Amendment – 1235 Catherine Street  
Resolution #2024- 94  
Moved By: Steven Adams  
Seconded By: Bryon Hall  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the application for Zoning By-Law Amendment at 1235 Catherine Street to reduce the minimum required front yard setback from 6.0 metres (20 ft.) to 3 metres (10 ft.) be received for information and,  
  
That Council authorizes staff to begin the public notification process and schedule a public meeting for final consideration of the application.  
Carried.

## 9. Correspondence

Item #	Description	Action
<b>Items for information</b>		
a.	OPP – February 2024 Billing Summary Report	Receive
b.	OPP – January OPP PSB Report	Receive
<b>Items with a request for support (resolutions)</b>		
c.	Prince Edward County – Municipal Accessibility Fund	Receive

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| d. Township of Adelaide Metcalf – Tile Drain Loan Amount       | Support |
| e. Town of Shelburne - Eradicate Islamophobia and Antisemitism | Receive |
| f. City of Brantford – Home Heating Sustainability             | Receive |

Resolution #2024- 95

Moved By: Greg Senecal

Seconded By: Bryon Hall

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

That the recommended actions be taken.

Carried.

**10. Closed Session**

Resolution #2024- 96

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Bryon Hall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proceed into Closed Session at 7:46 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 Chief Interview Results
- b. Backup Landfill Attendant Recommendation

Carried.

Resolution #2024- 97

Moved By: Greg Senecal

Seconded By: Bryon Hall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does rise from Closed Session at 8:34 p.m.

Carried.

Resolution #2024- 98

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding backup Landfill Attendant recruitment, and

That Council authorizes staff to offer the position to the individual named in the report, beginning at Job Class 1, Level 1.

Carried.

Resolution #2024- 99

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Bryon Hall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding Fire Chief recruitment, and

That Council authorizes staff to offer the position to the individual named in the report, beginning at Job Class 28, Level 6.  
Carried.

**11. By-Laws**

a. Confirmation

Resolution #2024- 100

Moved By: Bryon Hall

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-13 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on April 3, 2024; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open council on April 3, 2024.

Carried.

**12. Adjournment**

Resolution #2024- 101

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of the Council of the Township of St. Joseph adjourn at 8:43 p.m. to meet again at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, or at the call of the chair.

Carried.

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Joseph Wildman, Mayor

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Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

**TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH**

Disbursements

17-Apr-24

RESOLUTION #2024-

<u>CHQ #</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6396	4/5/2024	AMCTO ZONE 7	ADMIN - SPRING WORKSHOP	\$ 225.00
various	4/5/2024	SENIORS MOW VOLUNTEERS	SENIORS - MOW MILEAGE	1,122.07
various	4/5/2024	SENIORS TRANSPORTATION VOLUNTEERS	SENIORS - TRANSPORTATION	2,693.80
6400	4/5/2024	I BOOK SHOWS INC.	GO NORTH - MUSICIAN DEPOSIT	1,750.00
6401	4/5/2024	ISLAND GLASS	SENIORS - BUILDING MAINTENANCE	135.60
107827	4/5/2024	ABELL PEST CONTROL INC	RECREATION - OTH PEST CONTROL	66.43
107828	4/5/2024	ALGOMA BUSINESS COMPUTERS	VARIOUS DEPTS - MICROSOFT LICENCES	284.85
107829	4/5/2024	ALGOMA OFFICE EQUIPMENT	SENIORS - COPIER LEASE	76.68
107830	4/5/2024	ALGOMA PUBLIC HEALTH	MUNICIPAL LEVY - 2ND QUARTER	15,281.50
107834	4/5/2024	KIMBERLY CHEESEMAN	SENIORS - PSW/DAY OUT MILEAGE	379.78
107835	4/5/2024	MELISSA CRIPPS	SENIORS - DAY OUT MILEAGE	144.20
107838	4/5/2024	JENNY ENNS	SENIORS - PSW MILEAGE	322.21
107840	4/5/2024	MARGO GIBSON	SENIORS - FITNESS MILEAGE	31.50
107841	4/5/2024	GENEVIEVE GONNEAU	SENIORS - DAY OUT MILEAGE	92.40
107842	4/5/2024	GREEN FOR LIFE ENVIRONMENTAL	RECYCLING - BIN EMPTY	3,995.02
107848	4/5/2024	ICONIX WATERWORKS LP	SEWER TREATMENT - SUPPLIES	1,011.35
107849	4/5/2024	ISLAND CLIPPINGS	COUNCIL - ADVERTISING	40.68
107851	4/5/2024	KENTVALE MERCHANTS LTD.	ROADS - GAS AND SUPPLIES	176.23
107852	4/5/2024	ELIZABETH LANE	SENIORS - PSW MILEAGE	279.30
107853	4/5/2024	LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES	VARIOUS DEPTS - SUPPLIES	100.01
107855	4/5/2024	MASSEY WHOLESALE LIMITED	SENIORS - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	743.06
107857	4/5/2024	MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORP	MUNICIPAL LEVY - 2ND QUARTER	9,223.32
107859	4/5/2024	NORTH CHANNEL HEATING & AIR COND	MARINA - HEAT PUMP PROJECT	40,787.18
107860	4/5/2024	ONT MUNICIPAL EMPL RETIREMENT SYSTEM	PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS	13,200.32
107861	4/5/2024	PAQUIN ENTERTAINMENT	GO NORTH - MUSICIAN DEPOSIT	12,500.00
107862	4/5/2024	PAQUIN ENTERTAINMENT	GO NORTH - MUSICIAN DEPOSIT	2,000.00
107863	4/5/2024	PAQUIN ENTERTAINMENT	GO NORTH - MUSICIAN DEPOSIT	2,500.00
107864	4/5/2024	PAQUIN ENTERTAINMENT	GO NORTH - MUSICIAN DEPOSIT	3,500.00
107866	4/5/2024	PURE H2O SSM INCORPORATED	ADMIN - SUPPLIES	14.00
107867	4/5/2024	SHERRY RODGERS	SENIORS - PSW MILEAGE	495.60
107868	4/5/2024	ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 374	SENIORS - MOW HALL RENTAL	250.00
107871	4/5/2024	ST JOSEPH ISLAND COFFEE ROASTERS	ADMIN - SUPPLIES	80.00
PAP	4/5/2024	ALGOMA POWER INC	VARIOUS DEPTS - POWER	7,264.66
PAP	4/5/2024	RECEIVER GENERAL	PAYROLL REMITTANCE	26,921.26
PAP	4/5/2024	WORKPLACE SAFETY AND INSURANCE BOARD	PREMIUMS - 2ND QUARTER	10,094.29
DD	4/5/2024	BI-WEEKLY PAYROLL	PAY PERIOD # 7	28,470.33
DD	4/5/2024	MONTHLY PAYROLL	MARCH	4,126.86
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$ 190,379.49</b>

**The Township of St. Joseph**  
**ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT PUBLIC MEETING: Short Term Residential Rentals**  
**Wednesday, April 17, 2024 – 6:45 p.m.**  
**Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing**

The purpose of this Public Meeting is to review a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment in accordance with Section 34 of the Planning Act, as well as to hear comments and review written submissions from the public and other agencies.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL**

The proposed zoning by-law amendment would:

1. Amend the definition for bed and breakfast establishments.
2. Add the definition for short-term residential rental accommodations.
3. STRS would be added as permitted use within all zones.
4. The number of STRs on a property would be limited.

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FROM NEIGHBOURS & AGENCIES**

Public Notice of the proposed amendment was distributed to property owners and public agencies in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act. A letter stating no objection was received from the abutting property owners as well as Algoma Public Health.

The St. Joseph Island Planning Board did not have a meeting within the timeline for response, however, the following comments (summarized) were received from the Secretary/Treasurer:

*(The Planning Board) may have some concerns with the proposal as outlined in (your notice). Your notice indicates that STRs are to be added as a permitted use in all zones, I am doubtful that the Board would consider that appropriate as some zones do not currently permit, nor does the Official Plan contemplate, residential uses of any sort in some zones Those zones include the Rural Industrial - M1 Zone, the Business Park - BP Zone, the Extractive Industrial - MX Zone, the Environmental Protection - EP Zone. the Open Space - OS Zone, and the Waste Disposal - WD Zones..*

*The Planning Board might also question the appropriateness of allowing STRs, as of right, in the Limited Service Residential - LSR Zone as there are usually restrictions on the provision of municipal services to properties in that zone, For example they may not have year-round publicly maintained road access, and full emergency services such as ambulance or fire protection. Because of this any new development or redevelopment of properties in that zone requires that the owner first enter into a site plan agreement to absolve the municipality of any liability which could occur as a result of allowing such development without those services. That waiver of liability may not however extend to someone who rents that property, perhaps without even knowing that such services may not be available. While there may be some ways around that liability issue, they may be best dealt with on a site-specific basis by requiring a zoning amendment review process and possibly specific conditions to be fulfilled before allowing STRs in the LSR Zone.*



## **COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC**

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed amendment. If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of The Township of St. Joseph in respect of the proposed amendment does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to The Township of St. Joseph before the proposed amendment is adopted, the Ontario Land Tribunal may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

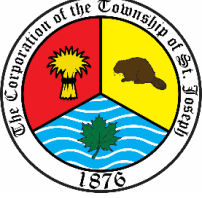
If anyone wishes to speak to the proposed zoning by-law amendment, speakers must state their name and address so that proper records may be kept in accordance with the Planning Act, and so that notice of future decisions can be sent to those persons involved in the review process.

## **REPLY**

- Members of Council may ask questions for clarification of specific matters.
- Members of the public may respond to points clarified by Council and amendments suggested by staff.

## **FINAL STATEMENT**

If there are no further questions or submissions, Council wishes to thank those in attendance for their participation. If the By-law is approved and passed by Council today, it will take effect following a 20-day appeal period where no eligible person or body has submitted an objection to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

	<b>Township of St. Joseph</b>	
	<b>Report To Council</b>	
	<b>FROM:</b>	Sherie Gladu, Community Projects Coordinator
	<b>DATE:</b>	April 17, 2024
	<b>SUBJECT:</b>	RFQ 2024-02 Change Order WI Park and Pickleball Court Upgrades
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding a change order for the WI Park and Pickleball Court Upgrades RFQ 2024-02 be received for information, and That staff be authorized to approve additional expenses as outlined for the WI Park and Pickleball Court upgrades.	

**Background**

A contract was awarded as part of a competitive RFQ to resurface, upgrade fence and purchase nets for the Pickle ball courts at the WI Park. The project also includes upgrades and additions to asphalt pathways, extending the entry pad to the public washrooms and installing a water bottle refilling station for public use.

Upon review by the contactor there were a number of additional units required that were not captured in the original RFQ. The contractor explained the rationale for the changes to staff. With additional items the quote would still be best value, and not exceed the maximum allowed for the NOHFC Grant.

The proposed changes include:

- Additional gravel substrate for 12” under new pathways
- Extend 6’ high pickleball fence with new 10’ heavy posts
- Extend court area 10ft to south including asphalt, fence, posts, gate and windscreen, creating extra court space
- Excavate perimeter of pickleball court for roots affecting court surface

The full costed change order request is attached.

**Financial Implications**

NOHFC will fund 90% of the project up to a total construction renovation budget of \$189,030. The total updated construction/renovation cost, with change orders, would be \$175,000 plus HST. The Township of St. Joseph is responsible for 10% of the costs. The Pickleball group has collected over \$12,000 in donations towards the project which can be applied as a portion of the 10%. The remaining \$5,500 would be the responsibility of the Township and will need to be budgeted in 2024 from the Parks Capital Reserve Fund.

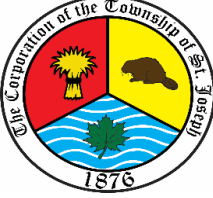
**Summary**

Council may accept the change order as outlined and amend the contract, defer their decision, or consider other options.




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Sherie Gladu, Community Projects Coordinator

	<b>Township of St. Joseph</b>	
	<b>Report To Council</b>	
	<b>FROM:</b>	Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator
	<b>DATE:</b>	April 17, 2024
	<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Summer Position Wage Summary
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the development of a remuneration policy for Township of St. Joseph summer positions be received, and That Council authorizes staff to develop a policy to set base wages and criteria for increases based on length of service.	

**Background**

The municipality typically employs 5 summer positions annually, 2-3 marina, 1 parks & recreation and 1 public works. All positions are paid at regular minimum wage which is \$16.55 per hour in 2024 (current student minimum wage is \$15.60 per hour). 4 of the summer positions are usually partially funded through the Canada Summer Jobs program which funds approximately 40% of wages per position.

For several years, Council has approved a \$100 bonus for those who complete the season satisfactorily. In the fall of 2023, Council discussed changing this approach to an annual increase for those who return for multiple seasons. Staff recommends that Council consider \$1 per hour for each additional season of work. Other amounts could be considered or an increasing scale such as \$.50, \$1.00, etc.

**Financial Implications**

There would be savings of \$500 for bonuses typically paid which would partially cover any increases granted for the season. For 2024, there is one returning summer position that would be eligible for an increase (3<sup>rd</sup> season of employment). Increase impacts will be included in the 2024 budgets by department.

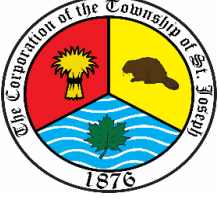
**Summary**

Council may choose to accept the recommendation of \$1/hr. per additional season, or consider other amounts, defer their decision or choose to remain with the existing bonus system currently in place.




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Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

	<b>Township of St. Joseph</b>	
	<b>Report To Council</b>	
	<b>FROM:</b>	Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administration
	<b>DATE:</b>	April 17, 2024
	<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Notice of Consent Application – Pt Lot 3, Con E
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	<p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the notice of application for consent to sever Lot 3, Concession E, in the Township of St. Joseph, into two parcels be received for information, and</p> <p>That the Planning Board be advised that Council _____.</p>	

### Details of Application

The attached notice of application for consent was received from the St. Joseph Island Planning Board for the property located at Lot 3 CON E (973 D Line Road). The applicants wish to sever Lot 3, Concession E, in the Township of St. Joseph, into two parcels. The proposed parcels would consist of approximately 20 hectares (50 acres) each and would both have frontage of about 200 metres (660 ft.) on D Line Road.

The subject lands are zoned Rural and are in the Rural land use designation and are used for farm/residential and agricultural purposes. The proposed new lot is vacant farmland. The parcel to be retained contains a dwelling and accessory structures. The subject lands are surrounded by agricultural uses including farm/residential and livestock uses. The intended use of the new lot to be created would remain farm residential/agricultural in nature.

The current and proposed usage of the subject property and adjacent properties are agricultural including farm residences. Both the severed and retained parcels are proposed for farm/residential use. The zoning by-law permits both detached dwellings and agricultural uses in the Rural – RU Zone in which the subject property is located and establishes a minimum lot size of 2 ha with at least 150 metres road frontage. The proposed new lot and the retained lot meet the use, size and location requirements outlined in the Official Plan and the municipality’s zoning by-law.

### Financial Implications

There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

### Summary

Council may ask questions, make comments, support, or object to the application for consent. The Planning Board meets on April 22, 2024. Any comments, questions or recommendations from Council must be received before that date.

  
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 Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

**ST. JOSEPH ISLAND PLANNING BOARD**  
**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the St. Joseph Island Planning Board has received a complete application for consent to sever land and will meet on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township of Jocelyn Municipal Office, 3670 5<sup>th</sup> Side Road (Hwy. 548), St. Joseph Island, Ontario to consider that application.

The subject application proposes to sever Lot 3, Concession E, in the Township of St. Joseph, into two parcels of about 20 hectares (50 acres each). Each parcel would have frontage of about 200 metres (660 ft.) on D Line Road. The parcel proposed proposed to be severed is vacant farm land. The parcel proposed to be retained has a residential dwelling and outbuildings located thereon.

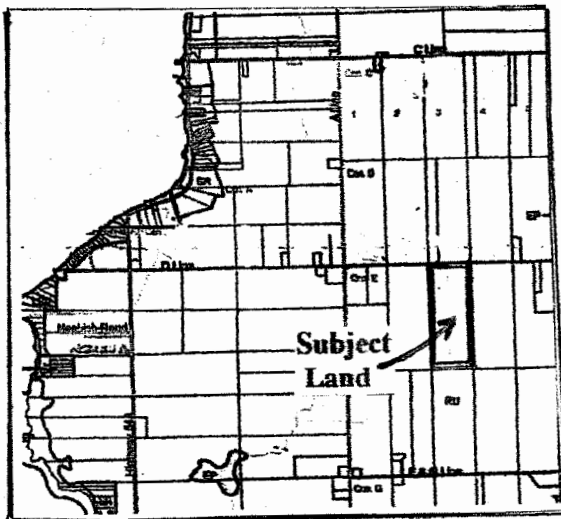
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the application is available for inspection by contacting the Secretary-Treasurer of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board at the address shown herein.

ANY PERSON may attend the meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed consent. All persons wishing to attend and/or make verbal representation at the meeting are asked to contact the Secretary-Treasurer in advance of the meeting. If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submission to the St. Joseph Island Planning Board before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Land Tribunal may dismiss the appeal.

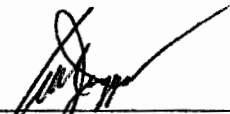
If you wish to be notified of the decision of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to:

**St. Joseph Island Planning Board**  
c/o P.O. Box 290  
Richards Landing, Ontario  
P0R 1J0

**KEY MAP**



Dated at St. Joseph Island  
this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024

  
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Michael Jagger, Secretary-Treasurer  
St. Joseph Island Planning Board

Telephone: (705) 542-4606  
Email: [sjiplanningboard@gmail.com](mailto:sjiplanningboard@gmail.com)

Consent Application # 2/24  
Owner/Applicant: C. Frees & C. Johnson

**The Corporation of the  
City of Sault Ste. Marie**



**Clerk's Department**

Rachel Tyczinski  
City Clerk

April 11, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON  
K1A 0A2

Dear Sir:

**Re: Intimate Partner Violence and Coercive Control**

Please be advised that at its April 8, 2024 City Council meeting, Sault Ste. Marie City Council passed the following resolution:

Whereas the jury that heard the Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk, and Nathalie Warmerdam inquest (The Renfrew County Inquest) issued 86 recommendations to prevent future deaths and delivered those recommendations to the Province of Ontario; and

Whereas recommendation #85 of the inquest is to include "coercive control", as defined in the *Divorce Act*, as a criminal offence or as a type of assault under section 265 of the *Criminal Code*; and

Whereas according to experts, a perpetrator has privileged access to information about the target by virtue of the closeness of an intimate relationship and, as such, is able to identify unique vulnerabilities that can be exploited for coercive control; and

Whereas Coordinating Community Responses to Domestic Violence cites scholars and advocates in the field have consistently described intimate partner violence as both an expression of, and an attempt to maintain, power and control over intimate partners; and

Whereas in 2019, according to the Government of Canada, of the 107,810 people aged 15 and over who experienced intimate partner violence 79% were women. 55% of women who experienced physical or sexual intimate partner violence feared a partner at some point. Being afraid of a partner can indicate intimate partner violence that is more coercive, more severe, and more likely to reflect a pattern of abusive behaviours; and

Whereas between 2014 and 2019 in Canada, there were 497 victims of intimate partner homicide, and 80% (400 victims) were women; and

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## Intimate Partner Violence and Coercive Control

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Whereas while Indigenous women account for about 5% of all women in Canada, they accounted for 21% of women killed by an intimate partner between 2014 and 2019 (83 victims). In 2021, the rate of gender-related homicide of Indigenous women and girls was more than triple that of gender-related homicides of women and girls overall (1.72 versus 0.54 per 100,000 women and girls); and

Whereas the Government of Canada names coercive control as one of the acts included in intimate partner violence, but does not include coercive control as an offence contained within the *Criminal Code* of Canada\* and

Whereas Bill C332, a private member's bill to amend the Criminal Code to create an offence of exercising coercive control of an intimate partner by engaging in a pattern of conduct that consists of any combination, or any repeated instances, of any of the following acts: using, attempting to use or threatening to use violence against certain persons, coercing or attempting to coerce the intimate partner to engage in sexual activity or engaging in other conduct that could reasonably be expected to cause the intimate partner to believe that their safety, or the safety of a person known to them, is threatened\*\*

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Sault Ste. Marie City Council express its support for Bill C-332 as well as call on the Government of Canada to support Bill C-332 and enact the necessary amendments to the *Criminal Code* of Canada to include coercive control of an intimate partner; and

Further it be resolved that a copy of this motion be circulated to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Public Safety, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Indigenous Services, the Honourable Mark Holland, Minister of Health, the Honourable Marci Ien, Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Youth, the Honourable Jenna Sudds, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, the Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice, City of Sault Ste Marie MP Terry Sheehan, MP Laurel Collins, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and all Ontario municipalities.

- \* <https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/gender-based-violence/intimate-partner-violence.html>
- \*\* <https://www.parl.ca/documentviewer/en/44-1/bill/C-332/second-reading>
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2023001/article/00003-eng.htm>

Sincerely



Rachel Tyczinski  
City Clerk

March 28, 2024

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of March 26, 2024 the following resolution regarding support for 'a call to action' to meet the deadline of an Accessible Ontario by 2025 was carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-151**

**DATE: March 26, 2024**

**MOVED BY: Councillor MacNaughton**

**SECONDED BY: Councillor Pennell**

**WHEREAS** the Accessibility for Ontarians With Disabilities Act (AODA) is ground-breaking legislation, created to help people with disabilities fully participate in society, bring them to the table in crafting regulations, and build mechanisms to enforce standards;

**WHEREAS** Rich Donovan, an expert in accessibility issues, was appointed as the Independent Reviewer of the Act in 2022, and in his 2023 legislative review declared a crisis as a necessary catalyst to get Ontario back on track for accessibility;

**WHEREAS** at least 2.9 million Ontarians currently live with a disability, representing at least 22% of the consumer base and the workforce, but due to barriers, Ontarians with disabilities are too often falling short of their full potential;

**WHEREAS** the AODA aims to develop, implement and enforce standards related to goods, services, accommodation, employment and buildings before Jan. 1, 2025, and municipalities, as the level of government closest to the people are at the front lines, developing, implementing and enforcing these standards without meaningful guidance on its implementation and/or enforcement by the Province;

**WHEREAS** people with disabilities and advocates, including Prince Edward County's Accessibility Advisory Committee, note the slow pace of current and previous Ontario governments in implementing the AODA and there are growing concerns there will be no renewed push to keep accessibility issues at the forefront after 2025;

**WHEREAS** Prince Edward County is dedicated and committed to creating a welcoming environment so that all people may have equitable access to programs, goods, services and facilities, but making investments to achieve the AODA



standards has been challenging given the lack of consistent and stable funding for municipalities to remove accessibility barriers;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of Prince Edward County strongly encourages action on the part of the Provincial Government to urgently:

- a) create a "Municipal Accessibility Fund" for municipalities to develop, implement and enforce AODA standards related to goods, services, accommodation, employment and buildings. Such a fund could be modeled after the Canada Community-Building Fund or the Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund on a per household basis;
- b) to commit to working with municipalities to implement the Donovan Review immediate crisis recommendations;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Mayor write a letter in support of this resolution to the Minister of Seniors and Accessibility, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Seniors and Accessibility, the Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services, the Minister of Health, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, and all Ontario Municipalities.

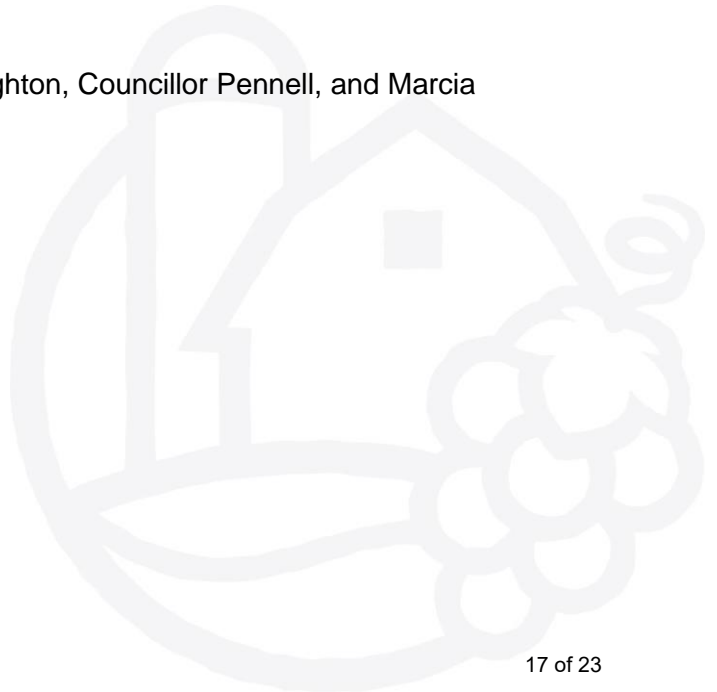
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Yours truly,



Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor MacNaughton, Councillor Pennell, and Marcia Wallace, CAO



Thursday, April 4, 2024

Sent via email to: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca); [MinisterEnergy@ontario.ca](mailto:MinisterEnergy@ontario.ca);

**The Honourable Doug Ford**

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**The Honourable Todd Smith**

Minister of Energy  
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**RE: Guelph City Council Resolution to Support the Decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to End the Subsidization of Fossil Gas**

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Smith,

Guelph City Council at its meeting held on March 26, 2024 passed the following resolution in support of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) decision to revise the revenue horizon for calculating the upfront cost for new natural gas connections, and to end the Gas Pipeline Subsidy:

WHEREAS, residents are struggling with energy bill increases and need relief;

WHEREAS, natural gas is no longer the cheapest way to heat homes because electric heat pumps are now much more efficient, can provide all heating needs even in the cold climates, and result in far lower energy bills over the long term compared to gas heating;

WHEREAS, natural gas is methane gas, which is a fossil fuel that causes approximately one-third of Ontario's GHG emissions, and must be phased out because it is inconsistent with all climate targets, while heat pumps result in the lowest GHG emissions and are consistent with a zero-carbon future;

WHEREAS, the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB") decided to end a subsidy for methane gas pipelines to be built in new construction developments, effective 2025, finding that this would lower energy bills for existing gas customers and improve affordability for new homebuyers, but this decision is at risk of being overturned by the provincial government;

WHEREAS, the OEB decision will help lower energy bills and encourage heating systems that are consistent with climate targets and plans;

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WHEREAS, the construction of new methane gas pipelines, which have 60-year lifetimes, should not be subsidized because they are inconsistent with the City's climate targets and will result in higher carbon emissions, higher energy bills, higher future decarbonization retrofit costs to get off fossil fuel heating, and a continued financial drain as dollars leave the province to pay for fossil fuels extracted in other jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, Guelph City Council acknowledged the climate crisis (May 2019), passed a resolution to support the phase-out of gas-fired energy plants by 2030 (December 2020); and passed a resolution of support to the United Nations Race to Zero commitment (December 2021);

WHEREAS, transforming our existing and new buildings by supporting actions that improve the energy efficiency and GHG profile within the City is a stated goal of our Community Energy Initiative (CEI), our Official Plan and our Strategic Plan;

WHEREAS, the City of Guelph is actively working to support the decarbonization of heating and cooling systems in existing and future building stock within the community, as demonstrated by the Guelph Green Homes Energy Retrofit Program, which will provide 0% interest loans to Guelph homeowners to enable them to transition away from fossil-fuel powered heating and cooling equipment to low carbon air or ground source heat pump systems.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That the City of Guelph expresses its support for the decision of the Ontario Energy Board to end the fossil gas infrastructure subsidy and requests that the Ontario Government withdraw Bill 165 and allow the OEB decision to stand; and

(b) That this resolution be circulated to the President of Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Colin Best; Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; Minister of Energy, Todd Smith; Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP Mike Schreiner, and all Ontario Municipalities requesting support for the proposed changes.

Sincerely,

**Intergovernmental Services on behalf of Guelph City Council**

Chief Administrative Office

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CC: The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance;  
Mike Schreiner, MPP;  
Colin Best, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario;  
All Ontario Municipalities

## Amanda Richardson

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**From:** FONOM Office/ Bureau de FONOM <fonom.info@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 8, 2024 10:32 AM  
**Attachments:** Municipal Proclamation draft.docx; Hope Air Request for Proclamation- FONOM.docx

The FONOM Board would like to share this message with you, and they would appreciate your consideration.

On June 7th, Hope Air is working with cities, towns, and municipalities to declare this day, "Hope Air Day" in Ontario. We are choosing this day to shine the spotlight on the unique medical travel needs of thousands of residents in Northern Ontario. To bring awareness to the issue of equitable access to health care, regardless of distance or income.

To this end, I am writing to ask for your consideration of your organization passing the attached proclamation declaring June 7th, **Hope Air Day**. We expect numerous municipalities to pass this proclamation, and I have attached a formal request as well as a draft proclamation for your review. I have sent the request for proclamation to Hearst, Kapuskasing, North Bay, Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury, and Thunder Bay. I will continue to connect with Fort Frances, Red Lake, Sioux Lookout, and a few other communities. I respectfully ask for your assistance in sharing with other members to proclaim this day in addition to the FONOM board.

Hope Air Day will culminate in a live concert at 7 pm from Timmins, Ontario, featuring country rock musician Cory Marx. Born in North Bay, Ontario, Cory is a rising musical star and pilot and knows firsthand the challenges relating to access to health care for residents in the North. We will live stream this concert with details to follow.

Thank you again for your belief that no patient should be left behind.

Talk soon, Mac.



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April 8, 2024

Dear The Board of Directors for the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities,

As you know, Hope Air has been tirelessly dedicated to providing access to healthcare by facilitating free travel arrangements for patients living in your community. We ensure that individuals can reach life-saving medical treatment far from home, regardless of distance or financial means.

We want to thank you for your support last year in our advocacy to the Ontario government, for funding to Hope to enable our charity to meet the ongoing and growing demand for our programs. In 2023, Hope Air supported over 3,300 travel arrangements for patients across Northern Ontario. We remain in discussions with the Ministry of Health on a potential funding partnership

On **June 7th**, Hope Air is working with municipalities across Northern Ontario to declare this day, "**Hope Air Day**" in Ontario. We are choosing this day to shine the spotlight on the unique medical travel needs of thousands of residents each year. In turn, we must continue to bring awareness to the issue of equitable access to health care for all.

I am writing to request your consideration that your Municipality adopt the attached proclamation declaring June 7th, Hope Air Day. We would be grateful for this support, in joining cities and towns across the North to recognize the impact of Hope Air.

I have attached a draft of the proclamation for your review.

Please let know if you have any questions with regard to this proclamation,

Warm Regards,

*Mark Rubinstein*

Mark Rubinstein  
CEO  
Hope Air

cc. Kristina De Marzio  
Manager, Community Engagement

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH**

BY-LAW 2024-14

**A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting held on  
April 17, 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 April 17, 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 April 17, 2024.

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Joseph Wildman  
Mayor

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Amanda Richardson  
Clerk Administrator