



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH
COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA
6:30 p.m. - Wednesday, January 15, 2025
Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Moment of Silent Reflection**
- 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
- 4. New Business & Items for Discussion**
- 5. Adoption of the previous minutes** **5-10**
 - a. Council Meeting – December 18, 2025
Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, December 18, 2025, be adopted as circulated.
- 6. Accounts** **11-12**
 - a. Disbursements: December 14, 2024 – January 10, 2025
Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register dated January 15, 2025, in the amount of \$357,02640 be approved as presented.
- 7. Public Meeting (6:40 p.m.)** **13-14**
 - a. Zoning By-Law Amendment – 1249 F&G Line Road
- 8. Presentation**
 - a. Pinchin – Waste Management Study
- 9. Staff and Committee Reports**
 - a. Rogers Cellular Towers Concurrence Request **15-20**
Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of St. Joseph concurs with the proposal by Rogers Communications Inc. to erect wireless communication installations on lands known as:
 1. 1120 Sailors Encampment Drive (CON A LOT 9PT PCL 66 ALG) (PIN 31465-0202)
 2. CON D LOT 13 SPT (PIN 31458-0475); andThat the proposal is compliant, with the requirements of ISED Canada’s default protocol CPC-2-0-03 Issue 5 (July 2014) “Radiocommunication and Broadcasting

Antenna Systems”, and all obligations for the municipal and public consultation requirements have been met; and

That staff send a statement of concurrence to Rogers Communication Inc. and to Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

- b. Zoning By-Law Amendment Application – 826 I Line

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer regarding the application for Zoning By-Law Amendment at 826 I Line Road to Table B1 – Residential Zone Standards for the Rural Zone, to reduce the minimum lot area from 2 hectares (5 acres) to 0.53 hectares (1.3 acres), and

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To reduce the minimum lot frontage from 150 metres (500 feet) to 114 metres (375 feet), and

That Council authorizes staff to begin the public notification process and schedule a public meeting for final consideration of the application.

- c. Notice of Application for Consent: Part Lot 16 Concession A (1615 A Line Road)

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer regarding the notice of application for consent for Part Lot 16 Concession A (1615 A Line Road) be received for information, and

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That Council has no objection to the application for consent to sever.

- d. 2025 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding a Volunteer and Staff Appreciation Dinner be received; and

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THAT council approves staff to plan the event for _____, ____, 2025.

10. Correspondence

- a. **Consent Agenda:**

Item #	Description	Action
Items with a request for support (resolutions)		
1	Township of Tarbutt – 2025 MPAC Levy	30-32
2	FONOM – Request for Service Review and to Address Funding Shortfalls for Child Protective Services	33-34
3	Town of Kearney - Changes to The Planning Act through More Homes Built Faster Act	35-36
4	City of Woodstock- Adequate and Sustainable Funding for Children's Aid Societies	37-38
5	Matthews Memorial Hospital Association – Request for continued support	39
6	St. Joseph Island Planning Board – Notice of Provisional Approval: Pt Lot 1 Con V	40-41

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT correspondence item #1 through #6 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. Update on Legal Matters
- b. Lottery Eligibility Review

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does rise from closed session at ____ p.m.

12. By-Laws

- a. 2025 Tax Ratios

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Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law #2025-01 being a By-Law to establish tax ratios for the year 2025; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open council on January 15, 2025.

- b. 2025 Interim Tax Levy

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Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2025-02 being a By-Law to provide for an interim tax levy for the year 2025; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

- c. 2025 Borrowing

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Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2025-03 being a By-Law authorizing the borrowing and pledging of securities for the municipality; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

- d. 2025 Council Remuneration

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Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2025-04 being a By-Law to provide remuneration for Members of Council, and to repeal By-law 2024-04; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

- e. Zoning By-Law Amendment: 1249 F&G Line Road

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Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2025-05 being a By-Law to; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

f. Confirmation

Recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2025-06 being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 15, 2025; and

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THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

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, February 5, 2025, or at the call of the chair.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
6:30 p.m. - Wednesday, December 18, 2024
Council Chambers – 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing

Present	
Council	Mayor Jody Wildman Councillor Steven Adams Councillor Cameron Ross Councillor Greg Senecal
Staff	Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator
Regrets	Councillor Bryon Hall

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 & Items for Discussion

- a. Pinchin Report – staff to send final draft waste management study to Council for review and schedule a presentation from Pinchin on the report in the new year.

5. Adoption of the previous minutes

- a. Council Meeting – December 4, 2024
Resolution #2024- 314
Moved By: Greg Senecal
Seconded By: Steven Adams
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, be adopted as circulated.
Carried.

6. Accounts

- a. Disbursements – November 30 – December 13, 2024
Resolution #2024- 315
Moved By: Cameron Ross
Seconded By: Steven Adams
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register dated December 18, 2024, in the amount of \$232,690.66 be approved as presented.
Carried.

7. Public Meeting

- a. Zoning By-Law Amendment – 712 K Line Road
No objections or comments were received regarding this amendment to correct the zoning for 712 K Line from Rural (RU) to Highway Commercial (HC).

8. Staff and Committee Reports

- a. Funding Application: Summer Employment Opportunities
Resolution #2024- 316
Moved By: Greg Senecal
Seconded By: Steven Adams
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Projects Coordinator regarding The Ministry of Tourism and Culture’s Summer Employment Opportunities Program be received; and

THAT council authorizes staff to apply to Summer Employment Opportunities Program for funding support for one student for summer employment, option A.

Carried.

Council opted to apply for funding for an existing summer position shared between marina and parks/recreation.

Carried.

- b. Funding Application: Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility – Seniors Community Grant
Resolution #2024- 317
Moved By: Cameron Ross
Seconded By: Greg Senecal
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Manager of Seniors and Persons with a Disability Services regarding the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Seniors Community Grant be received, and;

THAT Council authorizes staff to apply to the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Grant for instructor fees and fitness equipment purchases.

Carried.

- c. Zoning By-Law Amendment #2024-09: 1249 F&G Line (AlgomaTrad Music Camp)
Resolution #2024- 318
Moved By: Steven Adams
Seconded By: Cameron Ross
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Deputy Clerk regarding the application for Zoning By-Law Amendment at 1249 F&G Line to Section 7.1, Table B4 – Provisions for Buildings in the Rural Zone Except Residential Buildings to increase the maximum height for a building from 6 metres (20 feet) to 9 metres (30 feet), and

THAT Council authorizes staff to begin the public notification process and schedule a public meeting for final consideration of the application.
Carried.

d. Request for Use: Arch Great Bucket List Cycle Event 2025

Resolution #2024- 319

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Deputy Clerk regarding the request received from the ARCH Hospice requesting the use of the Centennial Grounds, public washrooms and in-kind assistance from staff for their annual Great Bucket List Cycle Event be received; and

THAT Council authorizes staff to waive fees and schedule the event on an annual basis.

Carried.

9. Correspondence

a. **Consent Agenda:**

Item #	Description	Action
Items with a request for support (resolutions)		
113	Ministry of Natural Resources - Proposal on Enabling the Development of Commercial-Scale Geologic Carbon Storage in Ontario	Receive
114	Algoma Public Health – 2025 Levy Notice	Receive
115	Town of Deep River - Amend O Reg 391/21: Blue Box for Ineligible Sources	Support
116	Town of Bruce Mines – Support for Sault Ste. Marie HART Hub	Receive
117	Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing - Proposed Municipal Accountability Act	Receive
118	Town of Puslinch – Aggregate Assessment	Receive

Resolution #2024- 320

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Cameron Ross

BE IT RESOLVED THAT correspondence item #113 through #118 be received for information; and

THAT the recommended actions be taken.

Carried.

10. Closed Session

Resolution #2024- 321

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proceed into Closed Session at 7:11 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. 2024 Performance Evaluation Summary
- b. Administrative staffing

Carried.

Resolution #2024- 322

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does rise from closed session at 7:44 p.m.

Carried.

Resolution #2024- 323

Moved By: Greg Senecal

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2024 performance evaluation summary be received for information, and

That Council authorizes the wage rate increases as discussed.

Carried.

Resolution #2024-324

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding administrative staffing & restructure be received for information, and

That the position title for the individual named in the report be changed to CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, and

That the individual named in the report be placed in job class 35, level 3 of the Township's salary grid, effective January 1, 2025.

Carried.

11. By-Laws

- a. Emergency Management Plan

Resolution #2024-325

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-53 being a By-Law to establish an Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan, and to repeal and replace By-Law #2023-38. and,

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on December 18, 2024.
Carried.

b. 9-1-1 Agreement

Resolution #2024-326

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-54 being a By-Law to authorize the Clerk Administrator to execute an Agreement between His Majesty the King in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of the Solicitor General on behalf of the Ontario Provincial Police, and the Township of St. Joseph, for the provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) 9-1-1 Services for the Township of St. Joseph,

and to repeal by-law #2017-43. and,

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on December 18, 2024.
Carried.

c. CAO-Clerk/Treasurer Appointment

Resolution #2024-327

Moved By: Steven Adams

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-55 being a By-Law to appoint a CAO/Clerk-Treasurer for the Township of St. Joseph. and,

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on December 18, 2024.
Carried.

d. Zoning By-Law Amendment: 712 K Line Road

Resolution #2024- 328

Moved By: Cameron Ross

Seconded By: Greg Senecal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-56 being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 2011 - 34, as amended, for the property located at ST JOSEPH CON A PT LOT 30 RP 1R11669 PART 2 also known as 712 K Line Road to correct the zoning from Rural (RU) to Highway Commercial (HC) to permit the current and proposed use of Commercial, and,

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on December 18, 2024.
Carried.

e. Confirmation

Resolution #2024- 329

Moved By: Greg Senecal

Seconded By: Steven Adams

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be granted to introduce By-Law 2024-57 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held on December 18, 2024; and

THAT said by-law be passed in open Council on December 18, 2024.

Carried.

12. Adjournment

Resolution #2024- 330

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 7:58 p.m. to meet again at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2024, or at the call of the chair.

Carried.

Joseph Wildman, Mayor

Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

Disbursements

15-Jan-25

RESOLUTION #2025-

CHQ #	DATE	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	Amount
6575	2024-12-20	BELL CANADA	VARIOUS - TELEPHONE NOV 2024	\$ 1,039.94
108705	2024-12-20	ALGOMA BUSINESS COMPUTERS	VARIOUS - MICROSOFT LICENCES	438.03
108706	2024-12-20	ALGOMA DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD	MUNICIPAL LEVY	91,123.83
108707	2024-12-20	ALGOMA AG CENTRE	ROADS - FUEL	3,112.47
108708	2024-12-20	ALGOMA OFFICE EQUIPMENT	SENIORS - COPIES	118.54
108709	2024-12-20	ALLETRAM GROUP LTD	LANDFILL - BIN RENTAL	678.00
108710	2024-12-20	MELISSA CRIPPS	SENIORS - MILEAGE	144.20
108711	2024-12-20	JENNY ENNS	PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE	308.87
108712	2024-12-20	EQUITABLE LIFE OF CANADA	GROUP BENEFITS	8,947.42
108713	2024-12-20	MARGO GIBSON	SENIORS - MILEAGE	63.00
108714	2024-12-20	GENEVIEVE GONNEAU	SENIORS - MILEAGE	190.40
108715	2024-12-20	GLEN IRWIN	CBO - MILEAGE	225.40
108716	2024-12-20	ISLAND CLIPPINGS	ADMIN/REC - ADVERTISING	284.76
108717	2024-12-20	KENTVALE MERCHANTS LTD.	VARIOUS - SUPPLIES	534.63
108718	2024-12-20	ELIZABETH LANE	PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE	302.72
108719	2024-12-20	LE CONSEIL SCOLAIRE DU GRAND	MUNICIPAL LEVY	522.11
108720	2024-12-20	LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES	SENIORS/OTH - SUPPLIES	74.74
108721	2024-12-20	MASSEY WHOLESALE LIMITED	SENIORS - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	957.54
108722	2024-12-20	NORTHSHORE TRACTOR LIMITED	ROADS - EQUIP MAINTENANCE	30.54
108723	2024-12-20	PAQUIN ENTERTAINMENT	REC - GONORTH 2025 DEPOSIT	6,250.00
108724	2024-12-20	DAVID PEARSE	ANIMAL CONTROL - TRAINING COURSE	847.50
108725	2024-12-20	PINCHIN LTD	LANDFILL - MONITORING	5,085.00
108726	2024-12-20	SHERRY RODGERS	PSW PROGRAM - MILEAGE	377.60
108727	2024-12-20	ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 374	SENIORS - HALL RENTAL	282.50
108728	2024-12-20	SUPERIOR PROPANE	FIRE/PW - PROPANE	2,270.02
108729	2024-12-20	TOROMONT CAT	ROADS - EQUIP MAINTENANCE	228.73
PAP	2024-12-20	ALGOMA POWER INC	VARIOUS DEPTS - POWER	5,357.42
PAP	2024-12-20	ATS	ADMIN - ALARM MONITORING	24.80
PAP	2024-12-20	BELL CANADA	WATER/SEWER - INTERNET	80.23
PAP	2024-12-27	BI-WEEKLY PAYROLL	PP26	29,849.54
PAP	2025-01-06	MONTHLY PAYROLL	DECEMBER 2024	3,925.42
PAP	2025-01-10	BI-WEEKLY PAYROLL	PP1	29,849.54
Various	2025-01-10	SENIORS TRANSPORTATION DRIVERS	SENIORS - TRANSPORTATION MILEAGE	1,677.80
Various	2025-01-10	SENIORS VOLUNTEER DRIVERS	SENIORS - MEALS ON WHEELS MILEAGE	1,360.02
6576	2025-01-10	ALGOMA DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION	2025 MEMBERSHIP	200.00
6577	2025-01-10	BELL CANADA	VARIOUS DEPTS - PHONE	1,039.30
6580	2025-01-10	MANFRED & SABINA RUPP TRANSPORTATION	ROADS - SHIPPING ON SUPPLIES	395.50
6581	2025-01-10	MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF ON	2025 MEMBERSHIP	367.25
6582	2025-01-10	MINISTER OF FINANCE	POLICING - OPP BILLING OCT & NOV	35,458.00
6583	2025-01-10	UNIQUE CLEANING	VARIOUS - CUSTODIAL SERVICES	1,260.00
108730	2025-01-10	ABELL PEST CONTROL INC	LANDFILL - PEST CONTROL	137.78
108731	2025-01-10	ALGOMA DISTRICT SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOA	MUNICIPAL LEVY	67,369.00
108732	2025-01-10	ALGOMA AG CENTRE	ROADS - FUEL	2,925.76
108733	2025-01-10	ALGOMA OFFICE EQUIPMENT	SENIORS - COPIER LEASE	76.68
108734	2025-01-10	ALLETRAM GROUP LTD	LANDFILL - RECYCLING BIN RENTAL	678.00
108735	2025-01-10	ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO	2025 MEMBERSHIP	1,760.87
108738	2025-01-10	BRIGHT HR LIMITED	ADMIN - PROGRAM LICENCE	417.22
108745	2025-01-10	JENNY ENNS	PSW - MILEAGE	307.76
108747	2025-01-10	GREEN FOR LIFE ENVIRONMENTAL	LANDFILL - RECYCLING BIN EMPTY	4,473.59
108750	2025-01-10	GLEN IRWIN	CBO - MILEAGE	156.80

CHQ #	DATE	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	Amount
108751	2025-01-10	ISLAND CLIPPINGS	PLAN - ADVERTISING	113.00
108753	2025-01-10	KENTVALE MERCHANTS LTD.	REC/ROADS - FUEL & SUPPLIES	690.92
108754	2025-01-10	ELIZABETH LANE	PSW - MILEAGE	358.48
108756	2025-01-10	LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES	ADMIN/SENIORS - SUPPLIES	731.55
108761	2025-01-10	MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORPORATION	QUARTERLY LICENCE FEES	9,430.54
108762	2025-01-10	DAVID PEARSE	MARINA - MILEAGE	12.60
108763	2025-01-10	PHOENIX EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LOGIC	ANNUAL EMPCA TRAINING	2,260.00
108764	2025-01-10	PURE H2O SSM INCORPORATED	ADMIN - SUPPLIES	42.00
108766	2025-01-10	SHERRY RODGERS	PSW - MILEAGE	232.32
108767	2025-01-10	ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 374	SENIORS - DINERS HALL RENTAL	250.00
108771	2025-01-10	SUPERIOR PROPANE	ADMIN/MARINA - PROPANE & TANK RENTAL	883.90
108773	2025-01-10	TRACTION (UAP INC)	ROADS - MAINTENANCE	338.99
108774	2025-01-10	TECHNICAL STANDARDS & SAFETY AUTHORITY	MARINA - ANNUAL LICENCE	560.00
108775	2025-01-10	UNITED SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY INC	ADMIN - LICENCE FEES	1,107.40
108776	2025-01-10	JODY WILDMAN	REC - SUPPLIES	33.88
PAP	2025-01-10	ALGOMA POWER INC	STREETLIGHTS - POWER	1,121.42
PAP	2025-01-10	RCAP LEASING INC.	ADMIN - COPIER LEASE	111.72
PAP	2025-01-10	RECEIVER GENERAL	PAYROLL REMITTANCES	25,160.91
			TOTAL	\$ 357,026.40

The Township of St. Joseph
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT PUBLIC MEETING
Wednesday, January 15, 2025 – 6:40 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

- Property Location: (CON G LOT 6PT) also known as 1249 F&G Line Road.
- Proposed amendment to Zoning By-law Section 7.1, Table B4 to allow buildings with a maximum height of 9 metres (30 feet) at 1249 F&G Line Road (to allow for 2nd storey). The amendment is required to facilitate the construction of an assembly hall/cultural centre to allow for a place for participants to celebrate traditional music, dance and heritage craft. Plans have been drawn for an assembly hall, however the height at the highest peak is 6.8 metres (22 feet). To construct the building as designed, an amendment to the permitted maximum height will be required. There are existing buildings on the property that are also above the maximum 6 metres (20 feet) and the property, in its current state, would not allow for all zoning standards to be met.

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. No comments or objections were received prior to the deadline for submission.

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.

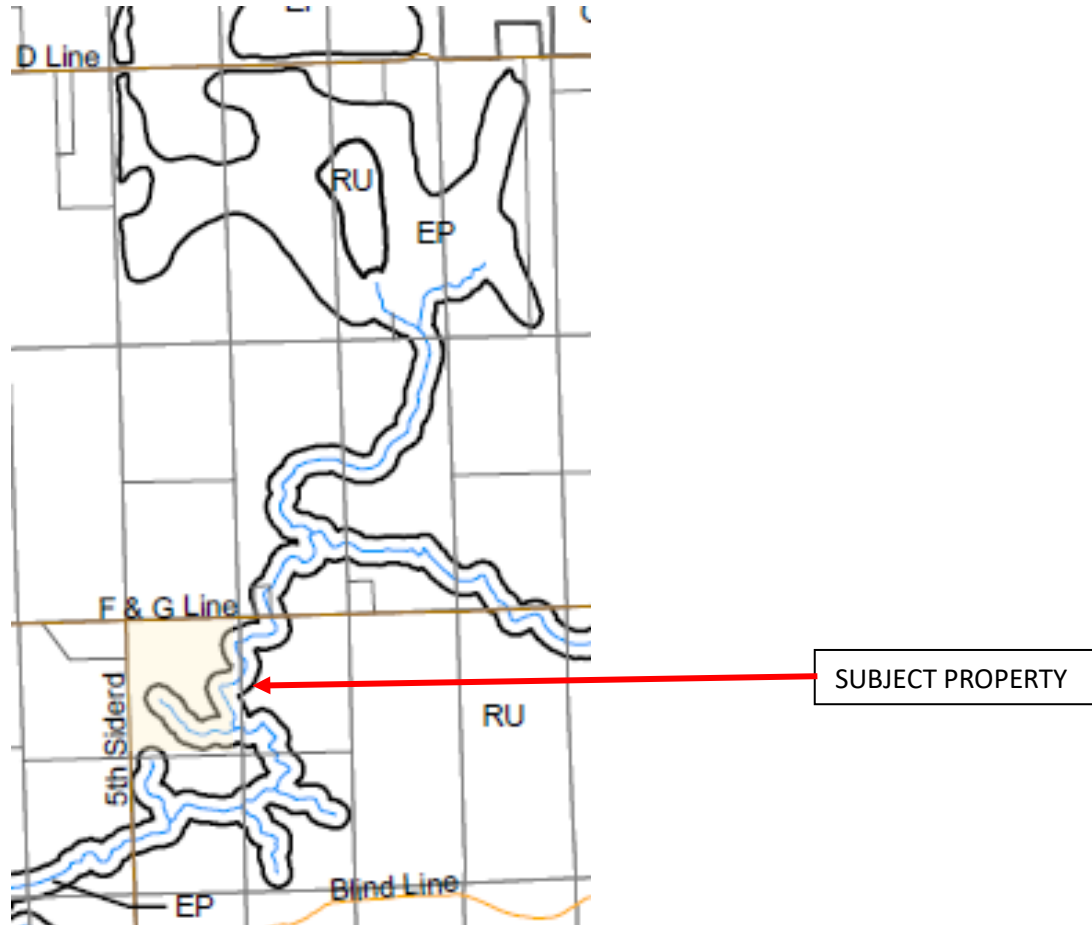
REPLY

- 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.

KEY MAP - ST JOSEPH CON G LOT 6PT – Also known as 1249 F&G Line Road



December 16th, 2024

Township of St. Joseph
1669 Arthur Street - P.O. Box 187
Richards Landing, ON P0R 1J0
Tel: (705) 246-2625

Attention: Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

Dear Amanda,

Re: Proposed Wireless Communication Site: C4446 Sailors & C-Line

On behalf of Rogers Communication Inc. (“Rogers”), I would like to submit for your review and consideration a summary of the municipal and public consultation process for the purpose of issuing a statement of concurrence concerning a proposed wireless communication site to be located at 1120 Sailors Encampment Drive.

Project Description & Proposed Location

Rogers is constantly improving and expanding its infrastructure to meet the ever-growing demand for high-quality reliable wireless voice and data services. The proposed site is needed to improve our wireless voice and data services in the community.

The proposed wireless communication installation consists of a 90m guyed communication tower and a walk-in equipment cabinet located within an enclosed compound.

Municipal & Public Consultation Process

Rogers is regulated and licensed by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED, formerly Industry Canada) to provide inter-provincial wireless voice and data services. As a federal undertaking, Rogers is required by ISED to consult with land-use authorities in siting tower locations. The consultation process established under ISED’s authority is intended to allow the local land-use authorities the opportunity to address land-use concerns while respecting the federal government’s exclusive jurisdiction in the siting and operation of wireless and data systems.

The provisions of the Ontario Planning Act and other municipal by-laws and regulations do not apply to federal undertakings. Rogers is, however, required to follow established and documented wireless protocols or processes set forth by land-use authorities.

Rogers submitted an Application for an Antenna System to the Township of St. Joseph via email on November 7th, 2024 for a wireless communications installation to be located at 1120 Sailors Encampment Drive.

The Township of St. Joseph has not developed a protocol relevant for establishing telecommunication facilities in the Township and as a result, Rogers is following Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada's CPC-2-0-03 Default Protocol as it pertains to the public notification and consultation required for communication towers.

Rogers provided the attached Public Notification Package to the Township to mail to the property owners within the required 337.8m radius of the proposed installation. The notice was issued by regular mail on November 12th, 2024. The notice described the proposal and invited comments by mail, electronic mail, or phone before 5pm on December 15th, 2024.

A newspaper ad was also published in the November 14th, 2024 edition of Island Clippings, notifying the public of the proposal and inviting residents to provide comments within 30 days of the notice.

One comment was received from the public, and it was a note of strong support.

Rogers has now fulfilled all circulation requirements under ISED's Default Protocol as they pertain to the proposed new communication site to be located on a property at 1120 Sailors Encampment Drive.

Rogers has followed all the necessary steps in accordance with the Default Protocol's guidelines by:

- consulting with the land-use authority;
- advising the public of our proposal;
- addressing all reasonable and relevant concerns pertaining to our proposal; and
- keeping and producing all associated communications to ISED and the land-use authority.

Conclusion

Rogers takes concerns or suggestions expressed by the public as important elements to our proposal. As a result of the consultation process, one comment was received from the public indicating support of improved infrastructure on St. Joseph Island in general.

Rogers feels that the proposed site is well located to provide improved wireless voice and data services in the targeted area. The proposed site is also situated and designed to have minimal impact on surrounding land uses.

Request for Concurrence

Rogers has now fulfilled all the requirements under ISED's Default Protocol as they pertain to the proposed new telecommunications site.

In order to conclude this land-use consultation and meet ISED's requirements, Rogers Communications Inc. respectfully requests that our proposal be considered complete and that The Township of St. Joseph move forward with the assessment of the process Rogers has undertaken to date.

Rogers also requests that The Township of St. Joseph issue a formal Letter of Concurrence to Rogers with a copy to ISED in order to permit Rogers to move forward with the installation of the proposed wireless communication site.

Yours Truly,

Christian Lee, Site Acquisition Specialist
On behalf of Rogers Communications Inc., Network Implementation
(613) 799-9900

December 16th, 2024

Township of St. Joseph
1669 Arthur Street - P.O. Box 187
Richards Landing, ON P0R 1J0
Tel: (705) 246-2625

Attention: Amanda Richardson, Clerk Administrator

Dear Amanda,

Re: Proposed Wireless Communication Site: C4448 20th SR - F&G Line

On behalf of Rogers Communication Inc. (“Rogers”), I would like to submit for your review and consideration a summary of the municipal and public consultation process for the purpose of issuing a statement of concurrence concerning a proposed wireless communication site to be located north of D-Line Rd., 1km west of 15th Side Rd.

Project Description & Proposed Location

Rogers is constantly improving and expanding its infrastructure to meet the ever-growing demand for high-quality reliable wireless voice and data services. The proposed site is needed to improve our wireless voice and data services in the community.

The proposed wireless communication installation consists of a 90m guyed communication tower and a walk-in equipment cabinet located within an enclosed compound.

Municipal & Public Consultation Process

Rogers is regulated and licensed by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED, formerly Industry Canada) to provide inter-provincial wireless voice and data services. As a federal undertaking, Rogers is required by ISED to consult with land-use authorities in siting tower locations. The consultation process established under ISED’s authority is intended to allow the local land-use authorities the opportunity to address land-use concerns while respecting the federal government’s exclusive jurisdiction in the siting and operation of wireless and data systems.

The provisions of the Ontario Planning Act and other municipal by-laws and regulations do not apply to federal undertakings. Rogers is, however, required to follow established and documented wireless protocols or processes set forth by land-use authorities.

Rogers submitted an Application for an Antenna System to the Township of St. Joseph via email on November 7th, 2024, for a wireless communications installation to be located north of D-Line Rd., 1km west of 15th Side Rd.

The Township of St. Joseph has not developed a protocol relevant for establishing telecommunication facilities in the Township and as a result, Rogers is following Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada's CPC-2-0-03 Default Protocol as it pertains to the public notification and consultation required for communication towers.

Rogers provided the attached Public Notification Package to the Township to mail to the property owners within the required 338.3m radius of the proposed installation. The notice was issued by regular mail on November 12th, 2024. The notice described the proposal and invited comments by mail, electronic mail, or phone before 5pm on December 15th, 2024.

A newspaper ad was also published in the November 14th, 2024 edition of Island Clippings, notifying the public of the proposal and inviting residents to provide comments within 30 days of the notice.

One comment was received from the public, and it was a note of strong support.

Rogers has now fulfilled all circulation requirements under ISED's Default Protocol as they pertain to the proposed new communication site to be located on a property north of D-Line Rd., 1km west of 15th Side Rd.

Rogers has followed all the necessary steps in accordance with the Default Protocol's guidelines by:

- consulting with the land-use authority;
- advising the public of our proposal;
- addressing all reasonable and relevant concerns pertaining to our proposal; and
- keeping and producing all associated communications to ISED and the land-use authority.

Conclusion

Rogers takes concerns or suggestions expressed by the public as important elements to our proposal. As a result of the consultation process, one comment was received from the public indicating support of improved infrastructure on St. Joseph Island in general.

Rogers feels that the proposed site is well located to provide improved wireless voice and data services in the targeted area. The proposed site is also situated and designed to have minimal impact on surrounding land uses.

Request for Concurrence

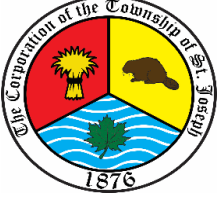
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	Township of St. Joseph	
	Report To Council	
	FROM:	Amanda Richardson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
	DATE:	January 15, 2025
	SUBJECT:	Zoning By-Law Amendment Application – 826 I Line (Bibba Enterprises Ltd.)
RECOMMENDATION:	<p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer regarding the application for Zoning By-Law Amendment at 826 I Line Road to Table B1 – Residential Zone Standards for the Rural Zone, to reduce the minimum lot area from 2 hectares (5 acres) to 0.53 hectares (1.3 acres), and</p> <p>To reduce the minimum lot frontage from 150 metres (500 feet) to 114 metres (375 feet), and</p> <p>That Council authorizes staff to begin the public notification process and schedule a public meeting for final consideration of the application.</p>	

Background

A zoning by-law amendment application was received from the owner of 826 I Line Road (CON H LOT 1PT PCL 5474 ACS RP AR967 PART 1), Richards Landing. The application is required to facilitate an application for consent to sever, as the proposed parcel to be severed would not meet zone standards for a new lot under the municipality’s zoning by-law. The application requests the reduction of minimum lot size and road frontage to allow the severance of a “surplus dwelling” without fragmentation of agricultural land.

The minimum lot frontage as per the municipality’s zoning by-law for lots within the rural zone is 150 metres (500 feet). The applicants are requesting a change in Table B1 (table attached) as it pertains to their property. The applicants have requested that Council reduce the minimum lot area from 2 hectares (5 acres) to 0.53 hectares (1.3 acres), and to reduce the minimum lot frontage from 150 metres (500 feet) to 114 metres (375 feet), and

If approved, the applicants would seek to sever the property at 826 I Line into two parcels. If passed, the zoning by-law amendment would not be put into effect until a severance has been approved.

A key map, draft site plan and overhead property view have been attached to this report as reference.

Property Details

- Current Use: Rural Residential/Agricultural
- Proposed Use: Rural Residential (for parcel to be severed) & Agricultural (for parcel to be retained)
- Existing Building & Structure Information:
 - Parcel proposed to be severed
 - Residence 1300 sq. feet (1974)
 - Garage/Shed 586 sq. feet (1940)
 - Parcel proposed to be retained
 - Barn/Implement Shed 1871 sq. feet (1960)
- Zoning: Rural (RU)
- Total Property Size: 49.8 acres
- Frontage: 2965.2 feet

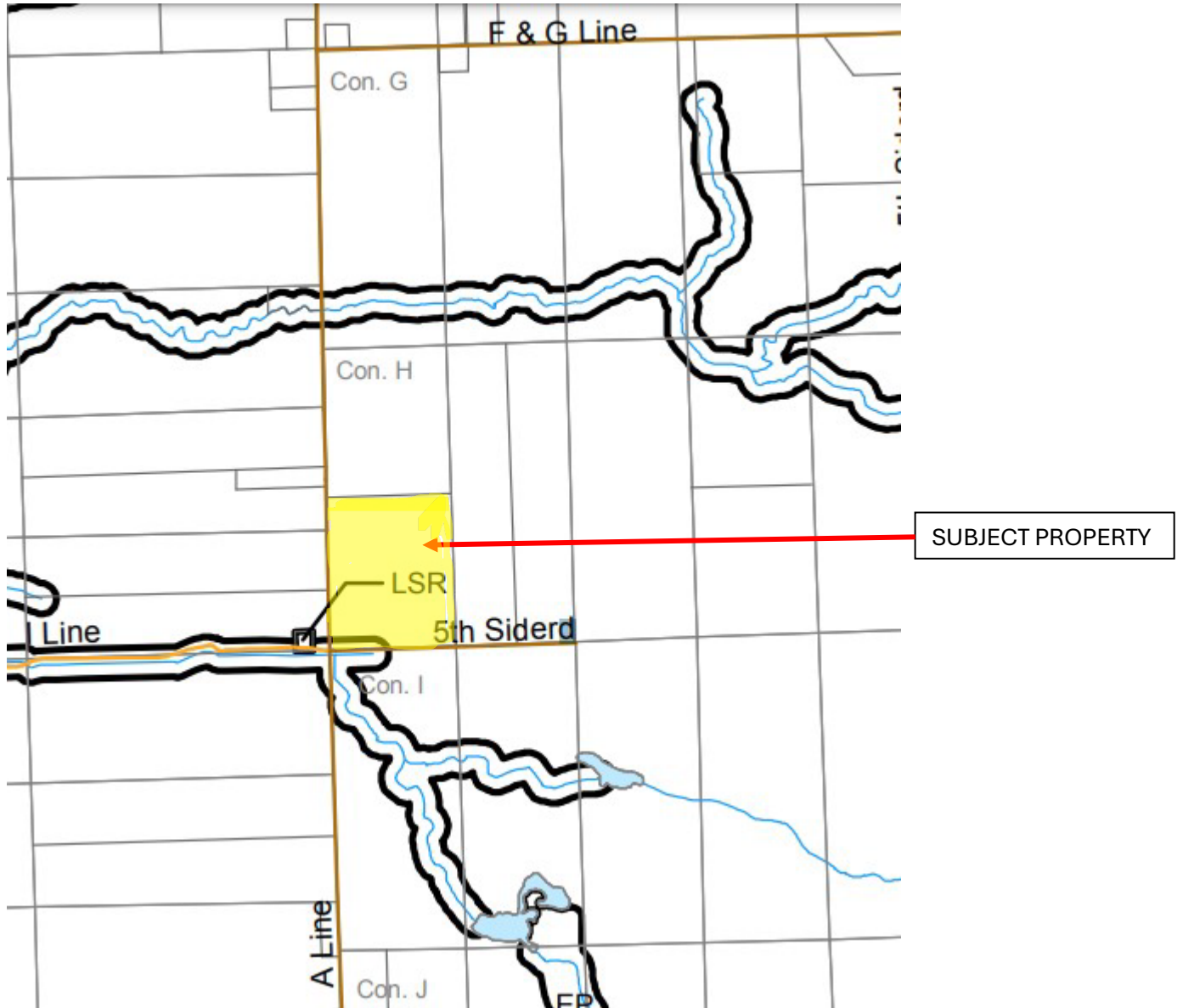
Summary

If Council deems the application complete, staff will schedule a public meeting and issue notice of such. If further clarification is needed, staff will collaborate with the applicants to provide the necessary information before resubmitting the application to Council for consideration.



Amanda Richardson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

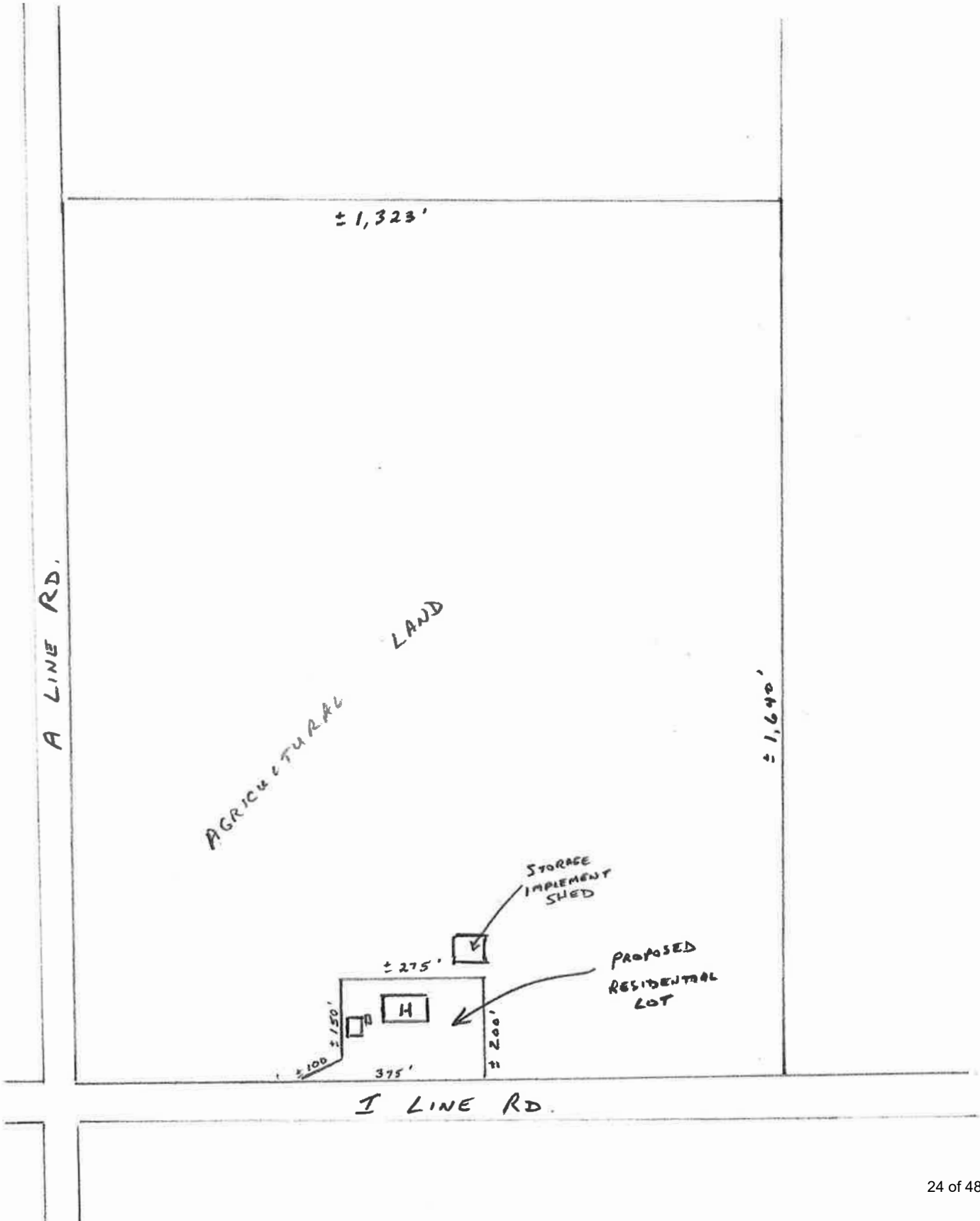
Key Map: 826 I Line



Overhead View: 826 I Line Road

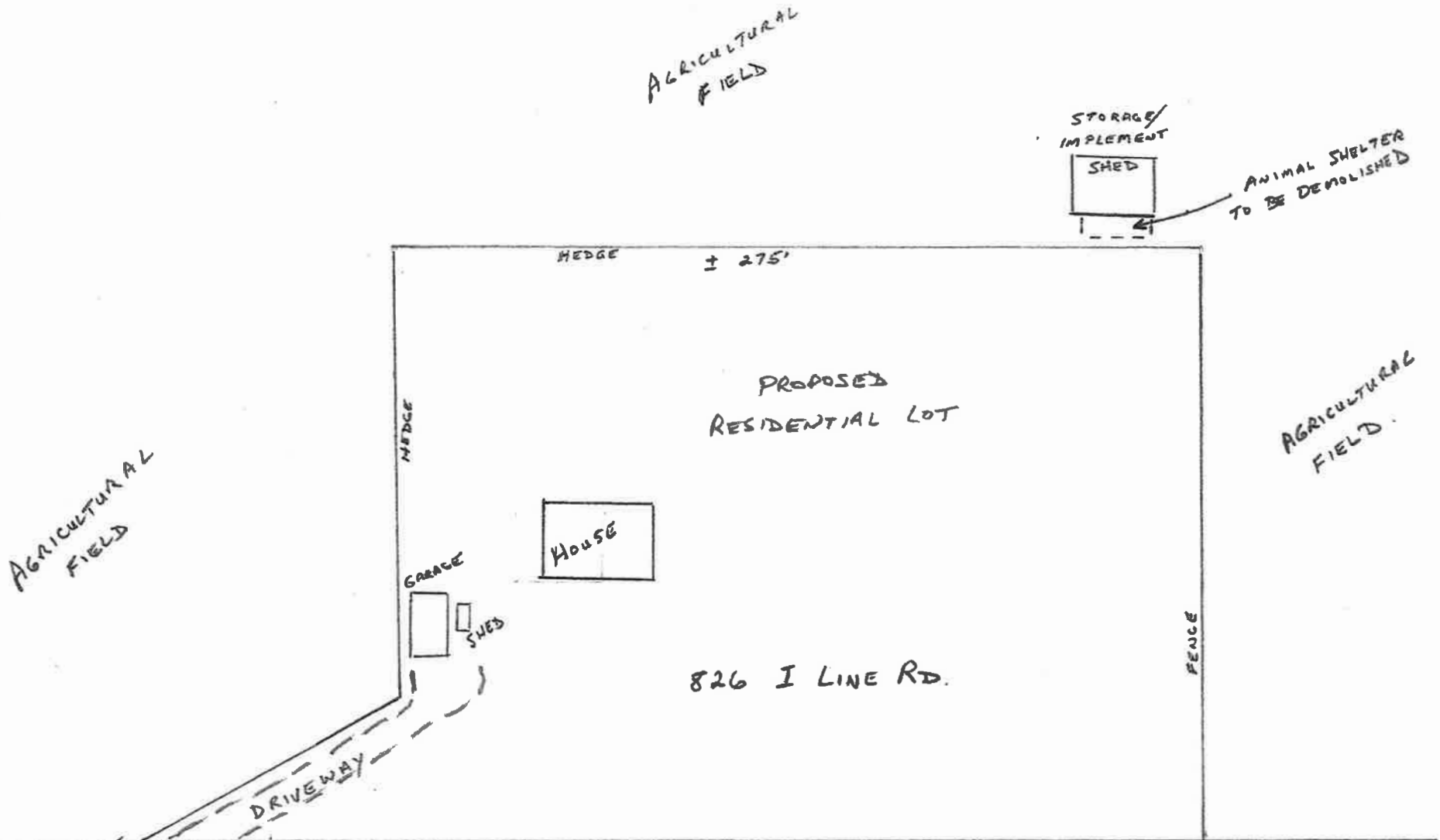


ZONING AMENDMENT APPLICATION
PT. LOT 1, CONCESSION H
826 I LINE RD.



PROPOSED SEVERANCE ENLARGEMENT

PT. LOT 1, CONCESSION H




T LINE RD

**TABLE B1
RESIDENTIAL ZONES**

	ZONE STANDARD	R1	R2	RU	SR	LSR
1	Minimum <i>lot area</i>	675 m ² (7,265 sq. ft.)	1,000 m ² (10,765 sq. ft.)	2 ha (5 ac.)	1 ha (2.5 ac.)	1 ha (2.5 ac.)
2	Minimum <i>lot frontage</i>	15 m (50 ft.)	26 m (85 ft.)	150 m (500 ft.)	45 m (150 ft.)	45 m (150 ft.)
3	Minimum <i>required front yard</i> (1)	6.0 m (20 ft.)	6.0 m (20 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)
4	Minimum <i>required exterior side yard</i>	6.0 m (20 ft.)	6.0 m (20 ft.)	8.0 m (26 ft.)	8.0 m (26 ft.)	8.0 m (26 ft.)
5	Minimum <i>required interior side yard</i>	2.0 m (6.5 ft.)	3.0 m (10 ft.)	4.5 m (15 ft.)	2.0 m (6.5 ft.)	2.0 m (6.5 ft.)
6	Minimum <i>required rear yard</i>	6.0 m (20 ft.)	6.0 m (20 ft.)	7.5 m (1) (25 ft.)	7.5 m (1) (25 ft.)	7.5 m (1) (25 ft.)
7	Minimum <i>dwelling unit area</i>	70 m ² (750 sq. ft.)	70 m ² (750 sq. ft.)	70 m ² (750 sq. ft.)	70 m ² (750 sq. ft.)	70 m ² (750 sq. ft.)
8	Maximum <i>lot coverage</i>	17%	17%	15%	17%	17%
10	Maximum <i>height</i>	10.0 m (33 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)	10.0 m (33 ft.)

Special Provisions

1. All buildings and structures on lots which abut a shoreline shall maintain a minimum 30 metre (100 ft.) setback from the established high water mark, not including docks.
2. Refer to Sec. 4.1.2.1 a for side yard and front yard setbacks for Accessory buildings.
3. Minimum dwelling unit area for Hunt Camps shall be 37 square metres (400 sq ft.).

	Township of St. Joseph	
	Report To Council	
	FROM:	Amanda Richardson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
	DATE:	January 15, 2025
	SUBJECT:	Notice of Consent Application – Part Lot 16 Concession A (1615 A Line Road)
RECOMMENDATION:	<p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer regarding the notice of application for consent for Part Lot 16 Concession A (1615 A Line Road) be received for information, and</p> <p>That Council has no objection to the application for consent to sever.</p>	

Details of Application

An application for consent to sever was received from the St. Joseph Island Planning Board for the property located at Concession A Part Lot 16 (1615 A Line Road). A copy of the notice is attached for reference.

The subject property is zoned Rural and is currently used for residential purposes. The proposed future use of both the parcel to be retained and the parcel to be severed will be rural/residential. The application seeks to create a new lot for residential development.


The applicants have already applied for, and been granted, a zoning by-law amendment to reduce the minimum lot size and road frontage for newly created lots as a prerequisite for this consent application. The municipality's zoning by-law states that all new lots created in the rural zone must be at least 2 hectares (5 acres) and have a minimum frontage along a publicly maintained road of 150 metres (500 feet). The approved zoning by-law amendment reduces the minimum lot size to 1 hectare (2.5 acres), and the minimum frontage to 76 metres (248 feet).

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 next on February 10th, any comments, questions or recommendations from Council must be received before that date.



 Amanda Richardson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

ST. JOSEPH ISLAND PLANNING BOARD

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO SEVER LAND

TAKE NOTICE that the St. Joseph Island Planning Board has received a complete application for consent to sever land and will meet to consider this application on:

Monday, February 10th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

at the

Village of Hilton Beach Municipal Office
3100 Bowker St., Hilton Beach, Ontario

The purpose and effect of the subject application for consent is to permit the severance of one new rural residential lot from part of Lot 16, Concession A, Township of St. Joseph. The proposed new lotn would consist of 1.0 hectares (2.5 ac.) with frontage of 76 metres (248 ft.) on A Line Road. The parcel proposed to be retained consists of about 2.2 hectares (5.4 ac.) with frontage of approximately 100 metres (327 ft.), and has a single detached dwelling located thereon.

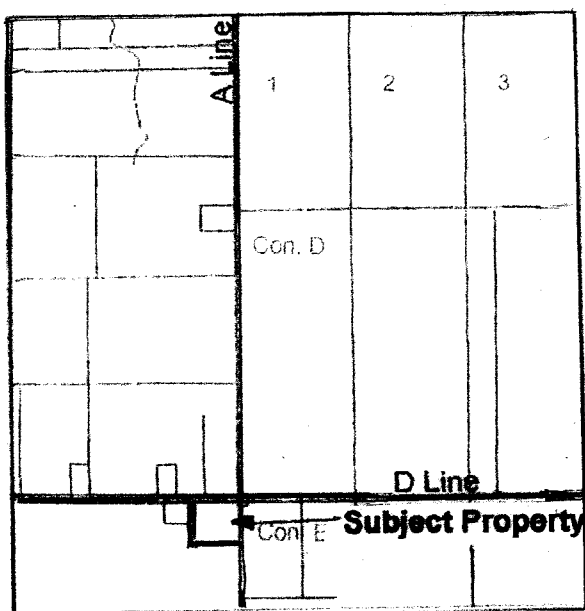
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the application is available for inspection by contacting the Secretary-Treasurer of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board at the address shown herein.

ANY PERSON may attend the meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed consent. 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.

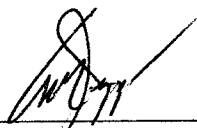
If you wish to be notified of the decision of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to:

St. Joseph Island Planning Board
P.O. Box 290
Richards Landing, Ontario P0R1J0

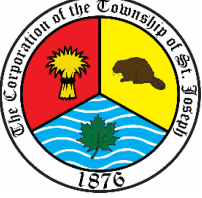
KEY MAP



Dated at St. Joseph Island
this 6th day of January, 2025


Michael Jagger, Secretary-Treasurer
St. Joseph Island Planning Board
Telephone: 705-542-4606
Email: sjiplanningboard@gmail.com

Applicant(s): Shane & Natasha Romyn
Consent Application # 1/25

	Township of St. Joseph	
	Report To Council	
	FROM:	Amanda Richardson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
	DATE:	January 15, 2025
	SUBJECT:	Volunteer and Staff Appreciation Dinner 2025
RECOMMENDATION:	BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer regarding a Volunteer and Staff Appreciation Dinner be received; and THAT council approves staff to plan the event for _____, ____, 2025.	

Background:

Traditionally, The Township provides recognition to volunteers and employees from all departments by hosting an appreciation dinner event including individuals plus guests. The event has historically been held at the Royal Canadian Legion and was moved to early spring beginning in 2024.

Staff proposes that Council consider changing the event to a week-night to encourage attendance by those who may not attend on a weekend evening. The Legion has been contacted and has availability on Wednesday, April 23. If Council wishes to keep the event on a Saturday evening, April the 26th is available as well. The Ladies' Auxiliary is also available on either of those dates to prepare the meal.

It is recommended that the event be held annually in April moving forward. April is national volunteer month, and for 2025, April 20-26 is national volunteer week. With Council approval, staff will mark this week annually to plan the event. Alternatively, Council may want to consider a different type and/or season for the event going forward (e.g. summer BBQ, fall dinner, etc.)

Financial Implications:

Staff proposes the typical budget with 3% inflation added for the 2025 budget for the event which would total approximately \$4,425.00

Options:

Council may approve a date and authorize staff to begin planning for the event or may defer the discussion to a later date.



Amanda Richardson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer



Individuals who submit information to Council should be aware that the information contained within their communications may become part of the public record and be made available to the public through the Council Agenda process.

From: Nicole McNeill <Nicole.Mcneill@mpac.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, December 18, 2024 12:54 PM

To: Carol Trainor <clerk@tarbutt.ca>

Subject: 2025 Municipal Levy



**MUNICIPAL
PROPERTY
ASSESSMENT
CORPORATION**

December 18, 2024

Carol Trainor

CAO/Clerk

Tarbutt Township

Subject: 2025 Municipal Levy

As a municipal service provider, MPAC is committed to supporting municipal priorities. With that in mind and given the additional financial strain caused by the pandemic, the corporation kept the levy stable from 2021 to 2023 without any increases. Last year, we implemented a 2.1 per cent increase due to inflation and rising labour costs.

As we continue to work to meet the evolving needs of our partners, we are writing to

inform you that MPAC's Board of Directors has approved the corporation's 2025 operating budget with a 3.4 per cent levy increase. This year's budget increase is crucial for managing fiscal challenges, smoothing future levy impacts, and funding service enhancements.

We understand the challenges faced by municipalities and want to assure you that MPAC is committed to strategically using reserves and finding efficiencies, ensuring a balanced approach when levy targets are established. MPAC strives to ensure that budget increases are below a target rate that combines inflation and year-over-year growth in property counts. This increase is consistent with that target.

MPAC's 2025 budget is a strategic investment in the future, enabling the modernization of our assessment system and providing municipalities with enhanced data and services essential for informed decision-making. For example, we are working to grant you more access to Electronic Assessment (EAI) files in 2025.

In 2025, MPAC will launch our new Strategic Plan which includes investments to enhance service delivery by continuing to collaborate and create valuable products that meet your diverse needs. We look forward to sharing further updates in 2025. In the meantime, we invite you to read the [2024 Municipal Partnership Report](#) to learn more about our collective work to build strong communities across Ontario together this past year.

Not all municipalities will see a 3.4 per cent increase. Individual municipal levies are determined by a funding formula under the *Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Act* based on the weighted average of two factors: the municipal share of the total assessed value and the number of properties compared to the rest of the province. An explanation of how MPAC calculated the municipal levy is available [here](#).

Your first bill will be delivered later this month, followed by equal quarterly invoices thereafter. You will also receive your Assessment Change Summary from your local MPAC Account Manager, which provides a high-level description of the assessment changes within your municipality.

We look forward to continuing to provide you with timely information that supports your work and decision-making, collaborating on forward-looking initiatives and forming new and valuable partnerships.



January 2, 2025

The Honourable Michael Parsa
Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
7th Floor, 438 University Ave.
Toronto, ON M5G 2K8
SENT BY EMAIL: MinisterMCCSS@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Parsa

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities' mission *is to improve the economic and social quality of life for all northerners and to ensure the future of our youth*. The Board would like the Province to consider providing emergency stabilization funding to address the current shortfall in child welfare providing by the Children's Aid Societies.

As well we would ask that the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services undertake a Province wide service review, including the funding model. Also, during the review we would ask that the points listed in the resolution be reviewed and discussed.

Minister, I and the FONOM Executive would be pleased to discuss this further with your staff.

FONOM is an association of some 110 districts/municipalities/cities/towns in Northeastern Ontario mandated to work for the betterment of municipal government in Northern Ontario and strive for improved legislation respecting local government in the North. It is a membership-based association that draws its members from Northeastern Ontario and is governed by an 11-member board.

FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY IN CHILD WELFARE

WHEREAS Children's Aid Societies across Ontario are experiencing significant financial pressures, with the majority of agencies running deficits in the millions;

WHEREAS the Financial Accountability Office has indicated funding for child protection has fallen behind inflation, with the sector missing \$70 million compared to previous funding levels;

WHEREAS the current funding model implemented in 2013 has limitations that affect the safety and well-being of children, particularly in northern and remote communities;

WHEREAS the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services' spending on Child Protection Services is projected to grow at only 0.7% annually from 2023-24 to 2028-29, well below inflation;

WHEREAS the child welfare redesign strategy requires enhanced community-based prevention services and improved quality of care, which cannot be achieved without adequate funding.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), calls on the Government of Ontario to immediately address the funding shortfall in child welfare by providing emergency stabilization funding to Children's Aid Societies;

Requests that the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services undertake a **Province wide service review**, including the funding model. During the review, FONOM asks that the following be included in the review.

- Adequately addresses the unique challenges of northern and remote communities;
- Account created for higher operational costs in geographically dispersed regions;
- Provide sustainable funding for prevention services;
- Urges the Province to implement multi-year funding commitments that allow for proper planning and service delivery;
- Advocates for the development of a specific Northern Strategy for child welfare that recognizes the unique needs and challenges of Northern communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to: The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, the Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies, Association of Native Child and Family Services Agencies of Ontario, All municipalities within FONOM's jurisdiction, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and the leaders of the Opposition Parties.

Regards.



President Danny Whalen
705-622-2479



8 Main Street, P.O. Box 38, Kearney, Ontario POA-1M0

Ph.# (705) 636-7752 Fax # (705) 636-0527

<https://townofkearney.ca> email admin@townofkearney.ca

December 19, 2024,

Dear Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,

Thank you for your recent communication regarding the changes to the Planning Act through the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, and the Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024.

While we appreciate the government's efforts to address the housing supply crisis by promoting the creation of additional residential units (ARUs), we must express our concerns about the applicability of these changes in rural municipalities.

The "as-of-right" permission to develop up to three units per lot is only permitted in urban areas where municipal servicing is provided. In these areas, the demand for housing is high, and land is scarce. However, in rural municipalities, where population density is lower and land availability is not typically a constraint, these changes do not apply.

Rural municipalities often struggle with infrastructure limitations, specifically with water supply, sewage systems, and transportation networks. While these changes the Province has made does cut red tape for urban areas of Ontario, they do not address constraints rural municipalities deal with when trying to increase density without municipal servicing. Additionally, the increased residential density permitted by the amendments may not be compatible with the rural character and lifestyle that residents value.

We believe that a one-size-fits-all approach to ARU development may inadvertently overlook the distinct needs of rural communities. As municipalities in rural, Northern Ontario have before, we urge the government to consider creating tailored policies that recognize the specific conditions and requirements of rural areas, ensuring that any regulatory changes support sustainable and contextually appropriate growth.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide our feedback and look forward to working collaboratively with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to develop solutions that are beneficial to all Ontarians and where they choose to live.

Sincerely,

Mayor, Cheryl Philip

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney



Town of Kearney

COUNCIL RESOLUTION # 2024 - 398

Date: December 19, 2024

MOVED BY:

- Beaucage, Keven
- Pateman, Heather
- Rickward, Michael – Deputy Mayor
- Sharer, Jill

SECONDED BY:

- Beaucage, Keven
- Pateman, Heather
- Rickward, Michael – Deputy Mayor
- Sharer, Jill

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has received a communication from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra, regarding changes to the Planning Act through the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, and the Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024;

AND WHEREAS this announcement from Minister Calandra does not fully address the needs of Rural or Northern municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council confirms their desire for the attached letter to be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, Paul Calandra; MPP Graydon Smith; MP Scott Aitchison; Premier Doug Ford; AMO; FONOM; ROMA and to affected municipalities in Rural/Northern Ontario for their support.

CARRIED

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Recorded Vote Requested by: _____

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For

Opposed

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| Beaucage, Keven | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pateman, Heather | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Philip, Cheryl – Mayor | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Rickward, Michael – Deputy Mayor | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sharer, Jill | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |



Jerry Acchione
Mayor
City of Woodstock
500 Dundas St.
Woodstock, ON N4S 0A7
519-539-2382 x2100
mayor@cityofwoodstock.ca

The Honorable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1
Via email premier@ontario.ca

The Honorable Michael Parsa
Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
438 University Ave.
Toronto, ON M5G 2K8
Via email MinisterMCCSS@ontario.ca

Dear The Honorable Doug Ford and The Honorable Michael Parsa,

I am writing on behalf of Woodstock City Council to express the urgent and pressing need for adequate and sustainable funding for the Children's Aid Society of Oxford County and other child welfare agencies throughout Ontario. These organizations play a vital role in safeguarding and enhancing the health, well-being, and safety of our children, youth, and families and deserves appropriate support and attention from our elected officials.

Our community, like many across the province, relies on the Children's Aid Society and other child welfare agencies to not only protect children and youth from abuse or neglect, but provide critical crisis intervention, early intervention, and preventative services. Their work ensures children receive necessary care at the most crucial times, close to their own homes, allowing families to remain intact and thrive together.

The lack of access to healthcare, mental health supports, poverty reduction initiatives and affordable housing is taking a toll on families and caregivers. These systemic shortfalls propel child welfare agencies into roles they were never intended to assume, filling gaps in services to ensure the well-being of children, youth, and families.

Without sufficient financial backing, these agencies are strained to a breaking point. They operate without the ability to deny families the services they desperately need. They cannot turn clients away, manage waitlists, or declare services unavailable. Yet, even with remarkable community partnerships, these agencies lack the means to expedite or ensure access to necessary treatments for those in their care.

The repercussions of this funding deficit extends well beyond individual families, affecting the community at large. Our local Children's Aid Society is supporting an ever-increasing number of youth exhibiting complex behaviors. These challenges translate into higher intervention costs, increases costs for and pressure on police and emergency service providers.

The lack of access to critical early intervention services is correlating to a distressing rise in youth homelessness. The financial sustainability and stability of the child welfare sector can no longer be deferred

for debate. It is imperative the funding formula is updated to prioritize trauma-informed, culturally relevant and proactive care.

On behalf of Woodstock City Council, I urge the province to prioritize and support the financial needs of these vital agencies. All levels of government must work together to improve upstream intervention and support to prevent the tragic outcomes we are seeing as a result of inadequate funding.

Thank you for considering this urgent matter that affects our community and its future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jerry Acchione', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mayor Jerry Acchione
City of Woodstock

Cc:

The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Oxford MPP - ernie.hardemanco@pc.ola.org

Safe and Well Oxford - safewelloxford@gmail.com

Children's Aid Society Oxford County - info@casoxford.on.ca

Matthew's Memorial Hospital Association
P. O. Box 171
Richards Landing, Ontario
P0R 1 J0

Dec. 20, 2024

Dear Mayor Wildman and Council

On behalf of the Matthews Memorial Hospital Association (MMHA) I would like to thank you for your Municipality's support over the years.

In 2025 Matthews Memorial Hospital will celebrate its 100th Anniversary of providing health care in our area. MMHA owns the hospital building as well as the Bridgelink Medical Clinic. We provide the Physicians with offices to practice in. In order to keep a 24/7 Emergency Hospital we need to bring in Doctors. We are responsible for Doctor Recruitment and Retention, which includes actual recruiting (paying someone to visit Medical Schools, etc.) and retention costs (which includes moving costs, housing allowances, Clinic maintenance, phone/ computer upgrades, equipment, and annual bonuses).

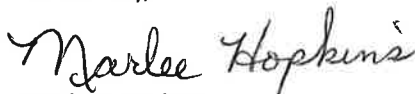
MMHA relies on Municipal donations and fund raising to pay for all of this since the Government has deemed Doctor Recruitment and Retention the responsibility of the Municipalities.

Although there has been much concern throughout the North Shore area concerning Doctor shortages and closure of Emergency departments, we are fortunate to have 2 full time Doctors. We continue to recruit more Doctors to serve our communities health needs. This will be costly.

MMHA is committed to providing high quality care for all residents in our catchment area. Without the continued support of the Municipalities we serve, this would not be possible. Your support is VITAL and greatly appreciated. Your Municipality's donation can be sent to MMHA at the above address or by e transfer to MMHA.sji@gmail.com.

Thank you for your generosity.

Yours truly,



Marlee Hopkins
Chair MMHA

ST. JOSEPH ISLAND PLANNING BOARD

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Richards Landing, ON

P0R 1J0

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December 19, 202

Josh Scott and Tricia Scott
2244 F&G Line Rd., RR2
Richards Landing, ON
P0R 1J0

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Consent Application # 8/24 - Part of Lot 1, Concession V, Township of St. Joseph

Notice is hereby given that this approval authority has provisionally approved the above noted application for consent. This provisional consent is subject to the following conditions:

1. This approval shall apply to the severance of two new rural residential parcels from Lot 1, Concession V, Township of St. Joseph, one with an area of approximately 2.8 hectares (7 acres) and frontage of at least 150 metres (500 ft.) on Highway 548, and the other with an area of at least 2.0 hectares (5 acres) and frontage on Highway 548 of about 277 metres (908 ft.), together with easements for access to both the severed and retained parcels.
2. Prior to the deeds for this transaction being stamped:
 - i. A Reference Plan prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor of the subject lands, shall have been delivered to the St. Joseph Island Planning Board;
 - ii. All property taxes levied against the subject properties shall be paid in full;
 - iii. The applicant shall convey 5% of the subject lands to the municipality, if requested, for park purposes. Alternatively, the municipality may require cash in lieu of all or a portion of such conveyance.
3. The transferors and the respective transferees shall acknowledge in writing that:
 - a) They are aware that Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) residential entrance permits will be required for each lot accessing Hwy. 548; and that access to the lots being severed must be from a mutual/shared entrance located on the boundary between the two severed lots and access to the retained lot must be from the existing entrance located at coordinates 46.208085, 83.971238;
 - b) The placement of any buildings or structures within 45 metres of the Hwy. 548 property line will require MTO building/land use permits; and
 - c) Any future development or change in land use must be subject to MTO review.
3. The subject transaction shall be completed within two years of the date of notice of this approval.

If these conditions have not been fulfilled within two years from the giving of this notice, then this application for consent will thereupon be deemed to be refused.

You will be entitled to receive notice of any changes to the conditions of the provisional consent if you have made a written request to be notified of changes to the conditions of the provisional consent.

Any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal against this decision, or any or all of the conditions imposed, by filing with the Secretary-Treasurer of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board, a notice of appeal setting out written reasons in support of the appeal, and must be accompanied by payment to the Secretary-Treasurer of the fee required by the Ontario Land Tribunal.

The last date on which a notice of appeal may be filed is January 8th, 2025.

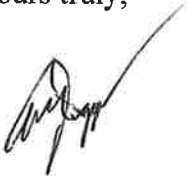
Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal decisions in respect of applications for consent to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or group on its behalf.

All submissions received relating to this application were considered in support of this application.

Additional information regarding this application for consent is available for inspection by contacting the Secretary-Treasurer of the St. Joseph Island Planning Board at the address shown herein.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,



Michael Jagger
Secretary-Treasurer
St. Joseph Island Planning Board

- c. Township of St. Joseph ✓
Algoma Public Health
MTO – Thunder Bay & S. S. Marie
Tulloch

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

BY-LAW 2025 - 01

A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH TAX RATIOS FOR THE YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the Council of The Township of St Joseph is required to pass a Bylaw to establish tax ratios for 2025 pursuant to Section 308 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001 c.25, as amended; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of The Township of St. Joseph deems it desirable and expedient to establish tax ratios for The Township of St. Joseph for the year 2025;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED:

1. The tax ratios for property classes in The Township of St. Joseph for the year 2025 shall be as follows:

Residential/Farm	-	1.0
Multi-Residential	-	1.0
Commercial	-	1.1
Industrial	-	1.1
Landfill	-	1.1
Farmland	-	0.25
Managed Forest	-	0.25

Passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

Joseph Wildman
Mayor

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

BY-LAW 2025 - 02

A BY-LAW TO PROVIDE FOR AN INTERIM TAX LEVY FOR THE YEAR 2025

WHEREAS Section 317(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, provides that a local municipality may, before the adoption of the estimates for the year, pass a by-law levying amounts on the assessment of property in the local municipality ratable for local municipality purposes; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of The Township of St. Joseph deems it desirable and expedient to impose an interim levy for the year 2025; and

NOWHEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of The Township of St. Joseph enacts as follows:

1. Interim tax levies for the year 2025 shall be imposed and levied on the whole of the assessment for real property in all property classes, according to the last revised assessment roll, an amount equal to 50 per cent of the sum that would be produced by applying the total 2024 tax rate for the subject property class.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1 of this By-law, the amount levied on a property shall not exceed 50 percent of the total amount of taxes for municipal and school purposes levied on the property for the previous year.
3. The 2025 interim tax levy shall become due and payable on February 28, 2025.
4. Any interim tax levy, or portion thereof, which is in default with the stated due date shall be subject to a penalty charge of 1¼% on the first day of default and on the first day of each month thereafter in the current year unless sooner paid.
5. All taxes remaining unpaid after the end of the current year shall have interest added at the rate of 1¼% per month, for each month or fraction thereof in which the arrears continue.
6. Taxes are payable to The Township of St. Joseph Municipal Office at Richards Landing, Ontario and payment shall only be accepted in CANADIAN FUNDS.

Passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

Joseph Wildman
Mayor

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

BY-LAW 2025 – 03

A BY-LAW AUTHORIZING THE BORROWING AND PLEDGING OF SECURITIES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public; and

WHEREAS The Township of St. Joseph deems it necessary to borrow money from time to time upon the credit of the Municipality by obtaining loans or advances or otherwise;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Township of St. Joseph does hereby enact as follows:

1. THAT the Directors and Officers of the Municipality may issue, sell or pledge securities of the Township including bonds, debentures, debenture stock, for such sums, on such terms and at such prices as they may deem expedient.
2. THAT the Officers of the Municipality give a guarantee on behalf of the Company to secure the performance of an obligation of any person.
3. THAT the Officers of the Municipality may from time to time assign, transfer, convey, hypothecate, mortgage, pledge, charge or give security in any manner upon all or any of the real or personal, moveable or immoveable property rights, powers, choses in action, or other assets, present or future, of the Municipality to secure any such securities or other securities of the Municipality or any money borrowed or to be borrowed or any obligations or liabilities as aforesaid or otherwise of the Municipality heretofore, now or hereafter made or incurred directly or indirectly or otherwise.
4. THAT any or all of the foregoing powers may, from time to time be delegated by the Officers to any one or more of the Officers of the Municipality.
5. THAT should any section, subsection, clause, paragraph or provision of this By-law be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this by-law or the by-law as a whole.
6. THAT this By-law shall remain in force and be binding upon the Municipality as regards any person acting upon the faith of a copy of this By-law certified by the Clerk of the Municipality until such person has received written notification from the company that this By-law has been repealed or replaced.
7. THAT any by-law or portion thereof previously approved by Council which conflicts with this By-law shall be hereby repealed.
8. THAT this By-law shall take effect on the day of passing.

Passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

Joseph Wildman
Mayor

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

BY-LAW 2025 - 04

**A by-law to provide remuneration for Members of Council, and
to repeal By-law 2024-04**

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by By-law provide for remuneration and payment therefore for its officers; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of The Township of St. Joseph passed By-law 2024-04 on January 18, 2024, approving the rate of Remuneration for Members of Council; and

WHEREAS Council now deems it desirous and expedient to amend the rate of Remuneration;

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

1. Effective January 1, 2025; Remuneration shall be provided as follows:
 - a) Head of Council (Mayor) \$727.75 per month; and
 - b) Councillor \$531.94 per month.
2. Members of Council authorized to miss time from employment in order to represent Council at formal functions, meetings, seminars, conventions etc, shall be eligible for reimbursement for lost wages of \$30.00 per hour to a maximum of \$240.00 per diem.
3. The remuneration provided for in this By-law shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Corporation from the funds provided by the Council.
4. The Treasurer shall on or before the 31st day of March in each year submit to the Council an itemized statement of remuneration and expenses paid to each member of Council in respect of their services as a member of Council.
5. Any By-law or part of a By-law conflicting with this By-law be hereby repealed.

Passed in open Council on January 15, 2025.

Joseph Wildman
Mayor

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST.

JOSEPH BY-LAW NO. 2025-05

A By-law to amend Zoning By-law 2011 - 34, section 7.1, Table B4 as amended, to increase the maximum height for a building from 6 metres (20 feet) to 9 metres (30 feet) to for the property located at ST JOSEPH CON G LOT 6PT – also known as 1249 F&G Line, to facilitate the construction of an assembly hall/cultural centre.

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of St. Joseph has enacted By-law No.2011-34 to regulate the use of land and the erection, use, bulk, height and location of buildings and structures in the Township of St. Joseph; and

WHEREAS a Notice of Application to amend said by-law was provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 34 of the Planning Act, and a Public Meeting was held on January 15, 2025, to receive comments and feedback on the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of The Township of St. Joseph has considered the request for an amendment to:

1. Section 7.1, Table B4 - Provisions for Buildings in the Rural Zone Except Residential Buildings, to increase the maximum height for a building from 6 metres (20 feet) to 9 metres (30 feet).

WHEREAS Council deems it desirable and expedient to amend said zoning by-law for this use;

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

- 1.0 By-law No. 2011-34, as amended, of the Corporation of The Township of St. Joseph is hereby further amended by the addition of the following new subsection:
Notwithstanding any other provision of this By-law, the provisions of this section shall apply to those lands known as ST JOSEPH PLAN CONCESSION G LOT 6PT, also known as 1249 F&G Line Road, in the Township of St. Joseph and denoted by the number on Schedule A to this by-law. All other provisions of this by-law, unless specifically modified or amended by this section, continue to apply to the lands subject to this section.
8.111 ST JOSEPH CON G LOT 6PT (1249 F&G Line Road)
The following specific zone standards shall apply:
 1. Maximum height for buildings, other than residential, be increased from 6 metres (20 feet) to 9 metres (30 feet).
- 2.0 Schedule "A" hereto forms part of this By-law.
- 3.0 This By-law shall come into effect upon the date of the final passing thereof.

Passed in Open Council on January 15, 2025.

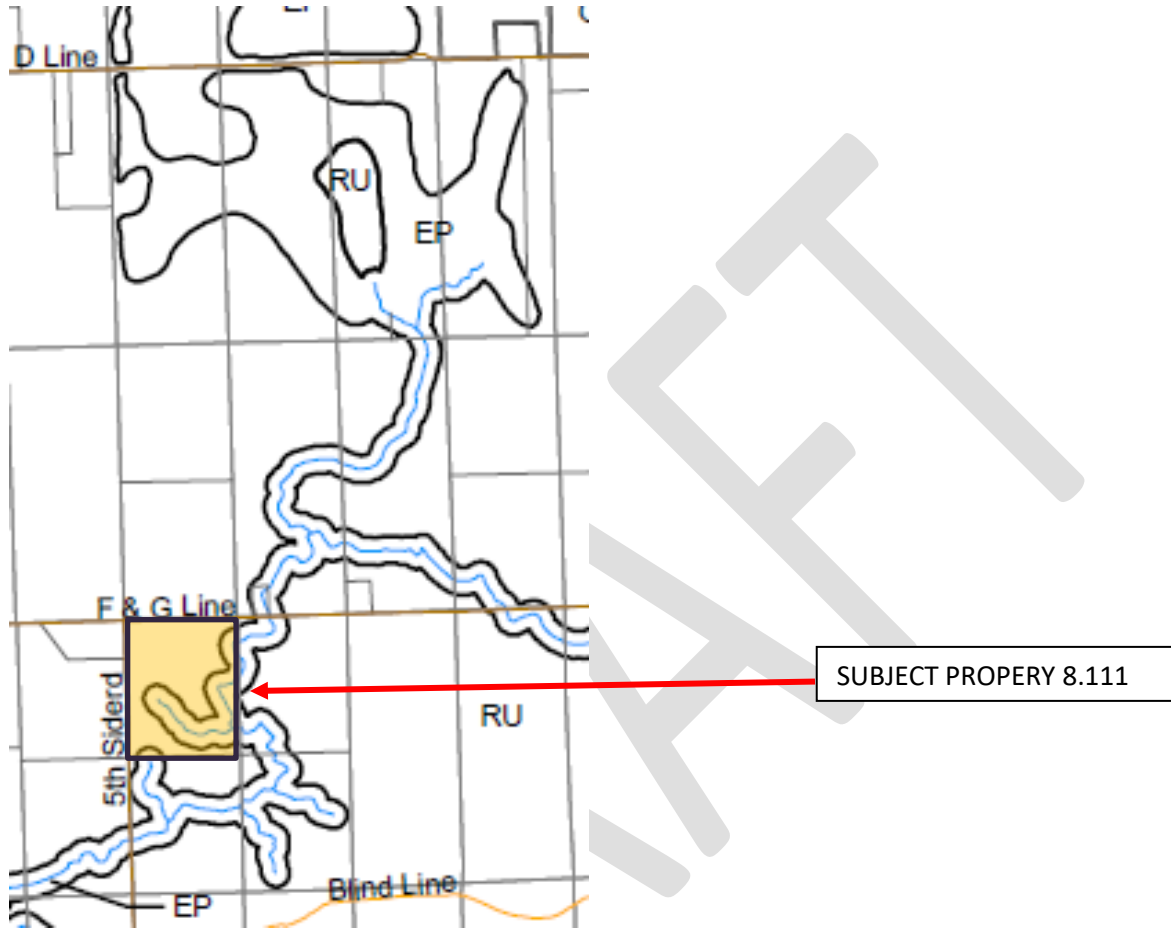
Joseph Wildman, Mayor

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Schedule A to By-Law 2025-05

KEY MAP

8.111 ST JOSEPH PLAN CONCESSION G LOT 6PT (1249 F&G LINE ROAD)



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH

BY-LAW 2025-06

**A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting held on
January 15, 2025.**

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 January 15, 2025, 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 January 15, 2025.

Joseph Wildman
Mayor

Amanda Richardson
CAO Clerk Treasurer