

**TOWNSHIP OF CASEY**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Held at the Casey Council Chambers

**Present:**   **Reeve:**       Guy Labonté  
                  **Councillors:** Suzanne Boucher  
                                  Jacques Fortin  
                                  Marc Robillard  
                                  Janet Little  
                  **Staff:**         Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer  
                                  Nicolas Coté, Road Superintendent  
                                  Krystle Seymour, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer

**1. Open Regular Meeting of Council**

2021-038   **Moved:   Suzanne Boucher         Seconded:   Jacques Fortin**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.  
“CARRIED”

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

2021-039   **Moved:   Marc Robillard                 Seconded:   Janet Little**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, accept the agenda as amended:  
11. f. Resident requesting hidden sign  
11. g. By-Law Officer  
“CARRIED”

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

a. None

**4. Adoption of last Council Meeting Minutes**

2021-040   **Moved:   Jacques Fortin                 Seconded:   Suzanne Boucher**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as presented.  
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**5. Discussion of any Business Arising from the Minutes of last Meeting**

a. None

**6. Delegations/Presentations**

a. None

**7. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2021-02**

2021-041   **Moved:   Suzanne Boucher                 Seconded:   Janet Little**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$299,717.96
Admin	\$25,588.51
Fire	\$1,272.35
Sewer	\$122.64
Dump	\$0.00
Recreation	\$513.32
Drain	<u>\$327,214.78</u>
Total Voucher   2021-02	\$327,214.78

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**8. Reports from Staff & Others**

**a. Road's Department Report**

The Road Superintendent reports that the new truck is working well except for the wing. This will be looked into by Gincor. Snow banks are being pushed back and scarifying is finished.

Nicolas will be taking his Operator in Training exam March 11, 2021. Nicolas has requested the remaining Class 2 in the yard be used on Lachapelle Street.

**b. Fire's Department Report**

The Fire Chief reported they have had no calls. The carbon monoxide detector had to be replaced.

**c. Recreation**

**d. Others**

**i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of February 12<sup>th</sup>**

**ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup>**

2021-042    **Moved: Marc Robillard                      Seconded: Jacques Fortin**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt and accept the following reports/minutes, and that it be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting:

- a. Road's Department Report
- b. Fire's Department Report
- c. Recreation
- d. Others
  - i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of February 12<sup>th</sup>
  - ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup>

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**9. Correspondence for Council's Consideration:**

**a. The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay – Railroad Rights of Way**

No Action Taken

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**b. Township of Guelph/Eramosa – MFIPPA Legislation**

- 2021-043 **Moved: Jacques Fortin**                      **Seconded: Marc Robillard**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby support the Township of Guelph/Eramosa’s resolution requesting the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services review the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), and consider the following recommendations:
1. That MFIPPA assign the Municipal Clerk, or designate to be the Head under the Act;
  2. That MFIPPA be updated to address current and emerging technologies;
  3. That MFIPPA regulate the need for consistent routine disclosure practices across institutions;
  4. That the threshold of frivolous and/or vexatious actions be reviewed, and take into consideration the community and available resources in which it is applied;
  5. That the threshold for frivolous and/or vexatious also consider the anonymity of requesters, their abusive nature and language in requests to ensure protection from harassment as provided for in Occupational Health and Safety Act;
  6. That the application and scalability of fees be designed to ensure taxpayers are protected from persons abusing the access to information process;
  7. That administrative practices implied or required under the Act, including those of the IPC, be reviewed and modernized; and
  8. That the integrity of the Act be maintained to protect personal privacy and transparent governments.

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**c. Township of Lake of Bays – Restaurant Capacity Limits**

- 2021-044 **Moved: Marc Robillard**                      **Seconded: Janet Little**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby support the Township of Lake of Bays request that the provincial government review and reconsider the capacity limits for restaurants across the province from flat occupancy to the size of square footage of its seating area; and

Further that, the concept of introducing capacity limits for other businesses listed in Schedule 2 of O.Reg 263/20 being impacted by the constant uncertainty of their operations during this pandemic including restaurants, personal care services, resorts, camps, fitness and recreational amenities, churches, etc. be considered while in lockdown status.

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**10. Correspondence for Council’s Information:**

- a. **Municipal Property Assessment Corporation – 2021 Municipal Levy**
- b. **Timiskaming Health Unit – 2021 Municipal Levy**
- c. **District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board – 2021 Municipal Levy**
- d. **District School Board Ontario North East – Community Planning and Partnerships Policy**

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**11. Other Business:**

**a. Township of Hilliard – Economic Development Officer**

Council of the Township of Casey directed municipal staff to decline the Township of Hilliard’s request to meet to discuss the possibility of submitting a joint application for an economic development officer.

**b. Township of Brethour – Road Agreement**

Council of the Township of Casey agreed for Guy Labonté, Reeve, to contact the Township of Brethour to discuss its Road Agreement and recent maintenance to boundary roads. Guy Labonté, Reeve will report back to council at its next council meeting held on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**c. Farm 911 – The Emily Project**

Council of the Township of Casey directed municipal staff to permit 911 numbers for vacant properties such as farmland. Property owners must pay the full cost of the 911 number, and mark the location of the entrance for the Roads Department. Only one 911 number per property. Designated entrances must be continuously maintained by the property owner to permit emergency response access in case of an emergency.

**d. Ministry of Municipal affairs and Housing – Safe Restart Agreement**

2021-045     **Moved: Janet Little**                             **Seconded: Marc Robillard**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to sign a letter dated March 4th from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing acknowledging that the allocation of \$15,000 provided to the Township of Casey is solely for the expected purpose of assisting with COVID-19 costs and pressures and that any funds not required in 2021 be placed into a reserve fund to support potential COVID-19 costs and pressures in 2022.

**e. Request for Quote – Fuel**

2021-046     **Moved: Jacques Fortin**                             **Seconded: Marc Robillard**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby direct municipal staff to issue a joint request for quote conditional on the approval of the Township of Harley, Kerns and Hudson for the continuous supply of gasoline and diesel for a 36-month period.  
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**12. By-Laws**

- a. By-Law 2021-962** Being a by-law for establishing tax ratios for the year 2021  
*[three readings]*

2021-047 **Moved: Janet Little**                      **Seconded: Suzanne Boucher**  
That **By-Law No. 2021-962**, being a by-law for establishing tax ratios for the year 2021 be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2021-048 **Moved: Marc Robillard**                      **Seconded: Jacques Fortin**  
That **By-Law No. 2021-962**, being a by-law for establishing tax ratios for the year 2021, be read a third time and the same engrossed in the by-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**13. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:**

None

**14. Adjournment:**

2021-049 **Moved: Jacques Fortin**                      **Seconded: Janet Little**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:50 pm and will meet again on April 14<sup>th</sup> 2021 or at the call of the Reeve.  
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**Guy Labonté, Reeve**

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**Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer**