

TOWNSHIP OF CASEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of April 14th, 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

Regrets: None

1. Open Regular Meeting of Council

2021-050 **Moved:** **Suzanne Boucher** **Seconded:** **Janet Little**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of April 14th, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.
“CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Agenda

2021-051 **Moved:** **Jacques Fortin** **Seconded:** **Suzanne Boucher**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, accept the agenda as amended:
Remove: 9. c. Town of Caledon – Ontario Fire College Closure
Add: 11. e. Manure from Horses
Add: 11. f. Genier Road
“CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

- a. Councillor Jacques Fortin declared pecuniary interest in Agenda Item:
#11. f. Genier Road

4. Adoption of last Council Meeting Minutes

2021-052 **Moved:** **Marc Robillard** **Seconded:** **Jacques Fortin**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 10th, 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

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7. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2021-03

2021-053 **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	\$12,913.78
Admin	\$49,421.84
Fire	\$7,202.56
Sewer	\$409.52
Dump	\$0.00
Recreation	\$133.79
Drain	\$0.00
Total Voucher 2021-03	\$70,081.49

“CARRIED”

8. Reports from Staff & Others

a. Road’s Department Report

The Road Superintendent reported this month has brought a lot of water damage to Casey Mine Road due to melting. A few loads of gravel were hauled to Casey Mine Road to help smooth things out and a few culverts were thawed with the steamer. The Road Superintendent has started grading roads, beginning with the roads that required it most. A resident mentioned that they would like the ditches cleaned out on Jelly North Road. Council agreed to continue discussions regarding road maintenance, ditching, and brushing once the 2021 budget is approved.

Ducks Unlimited has requested approval to install a temporary access near the outflow of the Marsh. There is currently a permanent entrance on Pennashaft Road. Office staff have included a memo to Council in regards to this request which will be dealt with separately.

The Township of Brethour has requested work (brushing and ditching) on River Road as well as Lafond Road. Guy Labonte spoke to the Reeve of Brethour regarding these boundary roads. Guy Labonte and the Reeve will continue to meet and discuss these roads after the 2021 budget is approved. At that time, they will also discuss the replacement of a boundary bridge. Council directed the Clerk-Treasurer to inform Brethour of their decision to ensure they’re kept informed.

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b. Fire’s Department Report

The Fire Chief reports that several Fire Fighters have received their first dose of the Moderna vaccine under the first response group. They have also received a one-time grant of \$4,600.00 from the Solicitor General. The grant will be used for DZ training, the purchase of a mannequin for rescue practices, and the purchase materials to build props for training.

As per the Timiskaming Health Unit and Enforcement Officer, the Fire Department is permitted to gather for training under current restrictions. Regular meetings and practices will continue and COVID precautions will be applied.

Fire restriction is in effect as of Monday, April 12th. No new permits are to be issued. Campfires are allowed.

Casey Fire Department received one mutual aid call from the Township of Harley to assist with an outdoor fire along Highway 11.

c. Recreation

No updates

d. Others

- i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of March 5th**
- ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of March 19th**
- iii. Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Authority – Minutes of December 17th**

2021-054

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 Department Report
- b. Fire Department Report
- c. Recreation
- d. Others
 - i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 05-Mar-2021
 - ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 19-Mar-2021
 - iii. Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Authority – Minutes of 17-Dec-2021

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9. Correspondence for Council’s Consideration:

a. Norfolk County – Application of carbon tax on Primary Agriculture Procedures

2021-055 **Moved: Marc Robillard Seconded: Suzanne Boucher**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, support Norfolk County requesting the Federal Government consider the concerns of the agricultural community and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current future carbon taxes; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to Norfolk County.
“CARRIED”

b. Town of Caledon – Support for 988, A 3-Digit Suicide & Prevention Hotline

2021-056 **Moved: Jacques Fortin Seconded: Janet Little**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby endorse the Federal Government’s motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide crisis hotline; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to the Honourable Patty Hadju, Federal Minister of Health.
“CARRIED”

c. Howick Township – Agricultural Tile Drainage Installation Act.

2021-057 **Moved: Jacques Fortin Seconded: Janet Little**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby support the Township of Howick’s Resolution No. 288-20 requesting the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs amend the Tile Drainage Installation Act and/or the regulations, under the Act, that would require tile drainage contractors file all farm tile drainage installation plans either electronically or paper copy in the municipality where the installation took place; and

Direct staff to issue a letter of support to the Township of Howick and the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.
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d. Niagara Region – Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

No Action Taken

e. Township of Brock – Cannabis Licensing & Enforcement

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f. Kingsville -Bill C-21 Firearms

2021-058 **Moved: Janet Little** **Seconded: Marc Robillard**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby support the Town of Kingsville motion 205-2021 opposing Bill C-21, an Act to amend certain Acts and to make certain consequential amendments to firearms, specifically Amendment 26 which would make municipalities responsible for gun control laws in Canada; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to the Town of Kingsville.
“CARRIED”

g. Township of Limerick – Ontario Fire Training

2021-059 **Moved: Jacques Fortin** **Seconded: Suzanne Boucher**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby support the Township of Limerick’s resolution no. 036-2021 requesting a clear plan be communicated from the Province of Ontario, indicating how the province intends to modernize and expand firefighter training, and ensure equal access and funding to all municipal fire departments; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to the Township of Limerick.
“CARRIED”

h. Municipality of Calvin – Universal Paid Sick Leave

No Action Taken

i. Town of Cochrane – MeeQuam Youth Residence Closure

No Action Taken

j. City of Sarnia – Colour Coded Capacity Limits

2021-060 **Moved: Janet Little** **Seconded: Jacques Fortin**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, support the City of Sarnia’s motion advocating the Province of Ontario adjust the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers, and all retail/small businesses as part of the colour coded system; and

Direct staff to issue a letter of support to the City of Sarnia.
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k. Township of South Glengarry – Vaccine Distribution

No Action Taken

l. Township of Pickle Lake – Municipal Candidates

No Action Taken

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10. Correspondence for Council's Information:

- a. Provincial Offence's Act – Jason Kramp Appointment
- b. Minister of Finance – Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund
- c. Minister of Infrastructure – Asset Management Planning Extension
- d. Provincial Offences Ac. 2020 Report & 2021 Budget
- e. 2021-2031 Forest Management Plan & 2021-2022 Work Schedule
- f. Ministry of the Solicitor General – Emergency Management of Ontario Compliance Results

11. Other Business:

a. Ducks Unlimited – Request for Access to Crown Land

2021-061 **Moved: Jacques Fortin** **Seconded: Marc Robillard**

That we the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby acknowledge receipt of David McLachlin's request from Duck's Unlimited to install a permanent pedestrian access to the marsh on Marsh Road; and

Approve the installation to be paid by Ducks Unlimited on the condition of the work being supervised by the Road Superintendent.

“CARRIED”

b. Snow Removal– March 29th Snow Fall

The Clerk-Treasurer informed council that the municipal office received various complaints from residents throughout the day of March 29th regarding the timeliness of snow removal. One resident contacted the municipal office on several occasions and has requested this matter be brought up to council for review, specifically relating to the current route and Snyder Road.

Council directed municipal staff to inform the resident that during snowfalls such as what occurred on March 29th, the township ideally operates two plow trucks. However, due to staffing issues, only one plow truck was operating. The Road Superintendent also informed council that they had a late start, and once they did start plowing, due to the recent warm weather and thaw, they had to operate at slower speeds to avoid damaging the roads. The Road Superintendent also mentioned the snow removal route remains unchanged from previous years, however due to the reasons mentioned, there was a delay in clearing the roads. The last road located within the village was cleared shortly after 2:00 p.m. on March 29th.

c. B01-2021-Vinette #1 – Application for Consent

2021-062 **Moved: Jacques Fortin** **Seconded: Suzanne Boucher**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt of J.L. Richards Memorandum JLR No. 28774-000 (05) dated March 26th, 2021 which is to be filed along with the minutes of the Regular Meeting for Application for Consent B01-2021-Vinette #1; and

That Council does hereby, acknowledge no person(s) were present to speak for or against the application for consent prior to the date of the decision; and

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That Council does hereby agree to J.L. Richards professional opinion that the proposal to sever a south portion of the subject lands to dispose of a residential surplus to a farming operation on the property described as Lot 2 S 1/2, Con 5, Township of Casey be granted provisional consent subject to the following conditions:

1. That the owner(s) submit a copy of the registered Reference Plan, prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor. The following information should be provided:
 - a. Lot dimension and area for severed and retained lands;

The Reference Plan should confirm substantially to the sketch filed with the Application for Consent.

2. That the owner(s) shall re-zone the retained lands the retained lands to prohibit the residential use of the lands and in the future in accordance with Section 2.3.4 of the Provincial Policy Statement.

“CARRIED”

d. B02-2021-Vinette #2 – Application for Consent

2021-063 **Moved: Marc Robillard Seconded: Janet Little**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt of J.L. Richards Memorandum JLR No. 28774-000 (06) dated March 26th, 2021 which is to be filed along with the minutes of the Regular Meeting for Application for Consent B02-2021-Vinette #2; and

That Council does hereby, acknowledge no person(s) were present to speak for or against the application for consent prior to the date of the decision; and

That Council does hereby agree to J.L. Richards professional opinion that the proposal to sever a north-east portion of the subject lands to dispose of a residential surplus to a farming operation on the property described as Lot 2 N 1/2 , Con 5, Parcel 79555T, Township of Casey be granted provisional consent subject to the following conditions:

1. That the owner(s) submits a copy of the registered Reference Plan, prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor. The following information should be provided:
 - a. Lot dimensions and area for severed and retained lands;

The Reference Plan should conform substantially to the sketch filed with the Application for Consent.

2. That the owner(s) shall re-zone the retained lands to prohibit the residential use of the lands in the future in accordance with Section 2.3.4 of the Provincial Policy Statement.

“CARRIED”

e. Manure from horses

It has been brought to Council’s attention that there are residents riding their horses within the village. Manure has been found in the church parking lot and the children’s park. The horses are also damaging park grass. Council directed municipal staff to issue a letter to known residents that stable horses near the village informing these residents horses should not be ridden within the village.

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f. Genier Road

The Clerk-Treasurer received a complaint regarding the accumulation of gravel on a resident's property caused from the unpaved extension to Lachapelle Street. The Road Superintendent informed council this is due to the new intersection created from the extension of the road. In order to properly clean the intersection, snow was being piled onto the resident's property. Going forward, the Road Superintendent will review where the township piles snow, to avoid placing gravel on private property.

12. By-Laws

a. By-Law 2021-963 being a by-law to authorize the signing of a transfer payment agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Officer of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Casey
[three readings]

2021-064 **Moved: Suzanne Boucher** **Seconded: Marc Robillard**
That **By-Law No. 2021-963** being a by-law to authorize the signing of a transfer payment agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Officer of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Casey, be received and read a first and second time.
"CARRIED"

2021-065 **Moved: Janet Little** **Seconded: Jacques Fortin**
That **By-Law No. 2021-963** being a by-law to authorize the signing of a transfer payment agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Officer of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Casey, be read a third time, and that the same be engrossed in the by law book.
"CARRIED"

b. By-Law 2021-064 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Pete Gilboe to supply contract services under the By-Law Enforcement position for the Corporation of the Township of Casey, and to appoint a Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer
[three readings]

2021-066 **Moved: Jacques Fortin** **Seconded: Marc Robillard**
That **By-Law No. 2021-964**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Pete Gilboe to supply contract services under the By-Law Enforcement position for the Corporation of the Township of Casey, and to appoint a Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer, be received and read a first and second time.
"CARRIED"

2021-067 **Moved: Janet Little** **Seconded: Suzanne Boucher**
That **By-Law No. 2021-964**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with Pete Gilboe to supply contract services under the By-Law Enforcement position for the Corporation of the Township of Casey, and to appoint a Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer, be read a third time and the same engrossed in the by-law book.
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13. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

- a. None

14. Adjournment:

2021-068 **Moved: Marc Robillard** **Seconded: Jacques Fortin**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adjourn the
Regular Meeting at 10:00 pm and will meet again on May 12th, 2021 or at the
call of the Reeve.
“CARRIED”

Guy Labonté, Reeve

Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer