Present:	Reeve:	Guy Labonté
	Councillors:	Janet Little
		Jacques Fortin
		Marc Robillard
	Staff:	Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer
Regrets:		Road Superintendent, Nicolas Coté

Councillor, Suzanne Boucher

1. Open Regular Meeting of Council

2021-139 **Moved: Marc Robillard Seconded: Janet Little** That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of September 8th, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. "CARRIED"

2. Adoption of Agenda

2021-140 Moved: Jacques Fortin Seconded: Marc Robillard That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, accept the agenda as amended: Add: 11. b. Arena 2022 Add: 11. c. Notice of Meetings to Consider Engineering's Report – Belle Vallee Drain "CARRIED"

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

a. None

4. Adoption of last Council Meeting Minutes

2021-141 **Moved: Janet Little Seconded: Jacques Fortin** That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adopt the following minutes:

• Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of August 11th, 2021. "CARRIED"

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. 2021-08

2021-142 Moved: Janet Little Seconded: Marc Robillard

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$76,978.23
Fire	\$17,861.69
Sewer	\$319.53
Dump	\$36.67
Recreation	\$254.96
Drain	\$18,435.21
Admin	\$25,744.76
Total Voucher 2021-08	\$139,661.05
"CARRIED"	

8. Reports from Staff & Others

a. Road Department Report

The Roads Superintendent reports that he repaired decking on Rheault Bridge, and purchased 11 tonnes of cold mix. He has cut the shoulder on Greenwood Bridge Road and started ditching and brushing on one side of Greenwood Bridge Road. Provided Mr. Sancoucy a bag of calcium. Duncor Enterprises Limited is scheduled to start surface treatment this week. Caldwell Construction Inc. started hauling the rest of material owed which is 340 tonnes to date.

Don Adshead Trucking to start hauling on Maybrook Road the week of September 13th, 2021. Garth Noecker, Drainage Superintendent from the Township of Casey from K. Smart & Associates Limited came to look at Connelly Drain and the village stormwater drains. It was recommended to proceed with having Ray & Sons inspect the drains for damage. Various repairs and maintenance were performed on machinery.

b. Fire Department Report

The Fire Chief reports that the fire department responded to one call in August. Four pairs of bunker gear were received. All fire fighters now have current and up to date Personal Protection Equipment. There is a tentative social gathering for the fire fighters on the 18th of September as appreciation for their services. The Tanker Truck has been retrofitted with new valves on the fill line from MikMak. Waiting for GRL Electric to wire the new exhaust system funded under the COVID-19 Resilience Fund. The Fire Chief presented two quotes obtained for upgrading the pumping station at the fire hall.

2021-143 **Moved: Janet Little Seconded: Marc Robillard** That we the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby acknowledge receipt of two quotes as presented by the Fire Chief for upgrades to the pumping station for the fire department;

And accept the Fire Chiefs recommendation to proceed with GRL Electric & Rene Cote. "CARRIED"

- c. Recreation
- d. Others
 - i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings Minutes of 06-Aug-2021
 - ii. Treasurers' Report as of August 31, 2021

2021-144 Moved: Jacques Fortin Seconded: Marc Robillard

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 06-Aug-2021
 - ii. Treasures Report as of August 31st, 2021

"CARRIED"

9. Correspondence for Council's Consideration:

a. City of Kitchener - Rising Costs of Building Materials

No Action Taken

b. Perth County – Relationship with MPAC

No Action Taken

c. Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Supporting Affordable Internet

2021-145 **Moved: Jacques Fortin Seconded: Janet Little** Whereas internet connectivity is a basic necessity and essential utility for the vast majority of Canadians;

> Whereas too many Canadians struggle to afford reliable, high-speed internet services, or do not have access to broadband internet at all; Whereas the need for high-speed and affordable internet is always critical, but is even more so now as the COVID-19 pandemic has shown it is required for education, work, and health care;

Whereas independent studies have consistently shown that Canadians pay some of the highest prices for internet in the world and that internet prices have increased year over year;

Whereas the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission's (CRTC) 2019 Rates Order set wholesale internet prices that would facilitate greater competition and promote innovative broadband services and more affordable prices for consumers;

Whereas the 2019 Rates Order was based on a rigorous, evidence-based, 4year long regulatory process, and was upheld on appeal by unanimous decision of the Federal Court of Appeal, while the Supreme Court of Canada and the Federal Cabinet declined to review it;

Whereas on May 27, 2021, the CRTC decided to reverse its 2019 Rates Order, effectively guaranteeing that internet prices will continue to rise for consumers;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Township of Casey call on the Federal Cabinet, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, and ISED Minister Francois-Phillippe Champagne to overrule the CRTC's reversal and immediately implement the evidence-based 2019 Rates Order;

Be it further resolved that the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Minister of Industry, local MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities be sent correspondence of Council's resolution along with the attached letter. "CARRIED"

10. Township of Casey – Fire Prevention Week 2021 Proclamation

2021-146 **Moved: Marc Robillard Seconded: Janet Little** Whereas, the Township of Casey is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Township of Casey; and

Whereas, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

Whereas, smoke alarms detect smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger in the event of fire in which you may have just seconds to escape safely; and

Whereas, working smoke alarms save lives by providing early warning of fire so you and your family can safely escape; and

Whereas, the Township of Casey's residents should be sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the alarms and knows how to respond; and

Whereas, residents who have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and

Whereas, the Township of Casey's residents will make sure their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; and

Whereas, the Township of Casey's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and public fire safety education; and

Whereas, the Township of Casey's residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

Whereas, the 2021 Fire Prevention Week theme^{TM,} "Learn the Sounds of Fire SafetyTM" effectively serves to remind us it is important to learn the different sounds of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms;

Therefore, I Jacques Fortin, Fire Chief of the Township of Casey's Fire Department, do hereby proclaim October 3rd to 9th, 2021, as Fire Prevention

Week, and I urge all the people of the Township of Casey to "Learn the Sounds of Fire SafetyTM" and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Township of Casey's fire and emergency services. "CARRIED"

11. Correspondence for Council's Information:

- a. District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board Naloxone Distribution
- b. District of Temiskaming Social Services Administration Board 2nd Quarter Operational Overview
- c. Ministry of the Attorney General Provincial Offences Act Part III Prosecutions
- d. Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities August 16th Media Release
- e. Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities August 17th Media Release
- f. Service Ontario Coroner Investigators' Permanent Authority to Sign and Copy MCODS
- g. Ministry of the Attorney General Licensing to Permit Small Organizations to Hold Fundraisers
- h. Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, Natural Resources & Forestry Burn Manual
- i. Minister of Environment Conservation & Parks Combining ECAs

12. Other Business:

a. Appreciation Night (Discussion)

Council directed municipal staff to issue a \$30 gift card from Your Independent Grocer with appreciation letter to all volunteers that were active in 2021 in lieu of the cancellation of the annual Appreciation Night.

b. Arena 2022

Council directed municipal staff to have the indoor ice surface prepared for ice. However, municipal staff are not to make an official decision on its reopening until further direction is provided from the provincial government regarding the Delta Variant and new regulations.

c. Notice of Meeting to Consider Engineer's Report – Belle Vallee Drain

2021-147 **Moved: Marc Robillard Seconded: Jacques Fortin** That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt of revised notices of a meeting to consider the engineer's report for the Belle Vallée Road Drain on November 17th, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. in accordance with Section 42 of the Drainage Act. which are to be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting. "CARRIED"

13. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

a. None

14. Adjournment:

2021-148 **Moved: Marc Robillard Seconded: Janet Little** That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:25 pm and will meet again on October 13th, 2021 or at the call of the Reeve. "CARRIED"

Guy Labonté, Reeve

Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer