

TOWNSHIP OF CASEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of JANUARY 15TH, 2025
Held at the Casey Council Chambers

Present: **Reeve:** Guy Labonté
 Councillors: Jessie Dénoimé
 Janet Little
 Bruno Trudel
 Jacques Fortin
 Staff: Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer
 Nicolas Côté, Road Superintendent
 Others: 1 member of the public
Regrets: None

1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda:

2025-001 **Moved:** Bruno Trudel **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of January 15th, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.
“CARRIED”

2025-002 **Moved:** Jacques Fortin **Seconded:** Janet Little
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, accept the agenda as presented.
“CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Minutes:
a. Regular Meeting of December 11th, 2024.

2025-003 **Moved:** Janet Little **Seconded:** Jessie Dénoimé
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adopt the following minutes:
 a. Regular Meeting of December 11th, 2024 as presented.
“CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

None

4. Delegations:

None

5. Payments of Accounts – Voucher No. 2024-12

2025-004 **Moved:** Jessie Dénoimé **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$16,260.28
Fire	\$2,341.06
Sewer	\$764.80
Dump	\$557.76
Recreation	\$1,120.69
Drain	\$0.00
Admin	\$25,500.34
Total Voucher 2024-12	\$46,544.93

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6. Reports from Staff & Others:

a. Roads Department Report

The Roads Superintendent reports regular maintenance was performed on machinery and there were some repairs needed to Truck #7 which

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included a sander chain and batteries. Winter maintenance continued with the grader. There is at times heavy drifting on Promenade Road. The door at the rink needed some repairs and the propane tanks on the Olympia were refilled. The annual lagoon report preparation has begun.

b. Fire Department Report

The Fire Chief reports there were no calls this past month. Training will resume in February. The Department was successful in their application for a grant funding to purchase PPE equipment. The Department will be purchasing an extractor washer and a dryer to properly clean and sanitize bunker gear after use.

c. Others:

i. Temiskaming Municipal Services Association Updates and Meeting Minutes September 11th, 2024

2025-005 **Moved: Jessie Dénoimé Seconded: Jacques Fortin**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, recommend that the Temiskaming Municipal Services Association (TMSA) adopt planning services as a mandatory core offering; and Direct municipal staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the TMSA.
“CARRIED”

ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health – Minutes Oct 2nd and Nov 6th, 2024

iii. Treasurer’s Report – December 2024

iv. Recreation Report

The Recreation Department will be holding a Casino Night January 25th and the Fishing Derby will be held March 1st.

v. Reports from Staff and Council

2025-006 **Moved: Bruno Trudel Seconded: Janet Little**

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. Roads Department Report

b. Fire Department Report

c. Others:

i. Temiskaming Municipal Services Association Updates and Meeting Minutes September 11th, 2024

ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health – Minutes Oct 2nd and Nov 6th, 2024

iii. Treasurer’s Report – December 2024

iv. Recreation Report

v. Reports from Staff and Council

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7. Correspondence for Council’s Consideration:

a. Township of Evanturel – Funding – 2025 – Hope Air

2025-007 **Moved: Jacques Fortin Seconded: Jessie Dénoimé**

WHEREAS the government of the Province of Ontario has made important enhancements to the Northern Health Travel Grant;

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AND WHEREAS these enhancements will provide meaningful support through partial reimbursement of travel expenses for those travelling long distances for medical care;

AND WHEREAS upfront costs for airfare, accommodations, and other necessities often reach thousands of dollars with some essential travel expenses continuing to remain ineligible for reimbursement;

AND WHEREAS Hope Air continues to bridge this gap, complementing the government's policy to reduce barriers of distance and cost in access to health care for Northern Ontario patients;

AND WHEREAS the demand for the services of Hope Air continues to grow; NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Casey requests the Ministry of Health consider funding Hope Air, in 2025, to support its vital work in assisting the residents of Northern Ontario to receive access to the health care they deserve;

AND FURTHER that the resolution be directed to the Minister of Health; and circulated to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Finance; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; the Temiskaming Municipal Association; and the Municipalities in the District of Temiskaming.

“CARRIED”

b. FONOM – Financial Sustainability in Child Welfare

2025-008 **Moved: Janet Little** **Seconded: Jessie Dénommé**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, support the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities' resolution regarding financial sustainability in child welfare; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

“CARRIED”

8. Correspondence for Council's Information:

a. Porcupine_Timiskaming Health Unit – Voluntary Merger

Confirmation Media Release Dec 2024

b. Coeur du Village – Thank You Letter

c. TMSA-Nomination and Consent Form

d. OPP Billing 2025 – Update [no item]

The Clerk-Treasurer provided council with a verbal update that the administrative office received official correspondence confirming that the OPP Billing for 2025 was revised, and the expected 15.5% increase was reduced to a 1.29% decrease instead.

9. Other Business:

a. Memo-25-001 – Website Security

2025-009 **Moved: Bruno Trudel** **Seconded: Janet Little**

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt of *Memo 25-001 – Website Security* regarding the Township of Casey's municipal website; and

Direct municipal staff to engage the services of Encompass IT for hosting, monthly support of, and maintaining the municipal website at a cost of \$129/month plus applicable taxes.

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b. Memo-25-002 – Deputy Reeve Appointment

2025-010 **Moved:** Jacques Fortin **Seconded:** Jessie Dénoimé
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt of *Memo 25-002 – Deputy Reeve Appointment*; and

Direct municipal staff to prepare the necessary by-law to appoint a Deputy Reeve for the Township of Casey.

“CARRIED”

10. By-Laws:

a. By-Law 2025-01 Being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date
[three readings]

2025-011 **Moved:** Bruno Trudel **Seconded:** Janet Little
That **By-Law No. 2025-01**, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of the interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2025-012 **Moved:** Jessie Dénoimé **Seconded:** Janet Little
That **By-Law No. 2025-01**, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of the interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

b. By-Law 2025-02 Being a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Casey to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025
[three readings]

2025-013 **Moved:** Jessie Dénoimé **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
That **By-Law No. 2025-02**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Casey to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025 be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2025-014 **Moved:** Janet Little **Seconded:** Bruno Trudel
That **By-Law No. 2025-02**, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Casey to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2025 be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

c. By-Law 2025-03 Being a by-law to authorize a municipal forest fire management agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources

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[three readings]

2025-015 **Moved:** Jacques Fortin **Seconded:** Bruno Trudel
That **By-Law No. 2025-03**, being a by-law to authorize a municipal forest fire management agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2025-016 **Moved:** Janet Little **Seconded:** Jessie Dénoimé
That **By-Law No. 2025-03**, being a by-law to authorize a municipal forest fire management agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

d. By-Law 2025-04 Being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the fire protection grant between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, as presented by the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Casey
[three readings]

2025-017 **Moved:** Jessie Dénoimé **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
That **By-Law No. 2025-04**, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario transfer payment agreement for the fire protection grant between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Corporation of the Township of Casey be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2025-018 **Moved:** Janet Little **Seconded:** Bruno Trudel
That **By-Law No. 2025-04**, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario transfer payment agreement for the fire protection grant between His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, as represented by the Office 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”

11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

None

12. Adjournment:

2025-019 **Moved:** Jessie Dénoimé **Seconded:** Janet Little
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:30 p.m. and will meet again on February 12th, 2025 or at the call of the Reeve.
“CARRIED”



Guy Labonté, Reeve



Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer