

TOWNSHIP OF CASEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of AUGUST 13TH, 2025
Held at the Casey Council Chambers

Present: **Reeve:** Guy Labonté
 Councillors: Jessie Dénommé
 Janet Little
 Bruno Trudel
 Jacques Fortin
 Staff: Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer
 Rick Ellsmere, Road Superintendent
 Steve Acland, C.P.A., Kemp Elliot & Blair LLP
 Adam Monteith [*electronic presentation*]
Regrets: None

1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda:

2025-113 **Moved:** Jacques Fortin **Seconded:** Bruno Trudel
 That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of August 13th, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.
 “CARRIED”

2025-114 **Moved:** Janet Little **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
 That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, accept the agenda as presented.
 “CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Minutes:
 a. Public Meeting for 2025-Z01-Bauman
 b. Regular Meeting of July 9th, 2025
 c. Closed Session Meeting of July 9th, 2025 [*paper copy*]

2025-115 **Moved:** Bruno Trudel **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
 That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adopt the following minutes:
 a. Public Meeting of 2025-Z01-Bauman as presented.
 b. Regular Meeting of July 9th, 2025 as presented.
 c. Closed Session Meeting of July 9th, 2025 as presented.
 “CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:
 None

4. Delegations/Presentation:
 None

5. Payments of Accounts – Voucher No. 2025-07

2025-116 **Moved:** Jessie Dénommé **Seconded:** Janet Little
 That we, the Council of the Township of Casey, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$14,187.31
Fire	\$494.13
Sewer	\$2,056.18
Dump	\$0.00
Recreation	\$945.01
Drain	\$0.00
Admin	<u>\$22,836.04</u>

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Total Voucher 2025-07	\$40,518.67
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6. Reports from Staff & Others:

a. Roads Department Report

The Roads Superintendent reports that sampling continues at the lagoon. The summer student's last day is August 20th, and he would be welcomed back next year if his schedule allows. The Road Superintendent will review materials and equipment around the shop with Rene and Clerk-Treasurer to see if there is anything that can be surplused. Replacement street signs have been ordered that were stolen as well as traffic cones. The Road Superintendent will review the budget with the Clerk-Treasurer as time allows to keep informed of ongoing projects. The shop roof needs repairs and the tin will also need to be painted. The Road Superintendent will get quotes for this work. Reeve Labonté received a quote for a sweeper and it will be roughly \$13,000. Council will retain the quote and depending on budget vs actual will discuss the possibility of purchasing this in next year's budget.

b. Fire Department Report

The Fire Department reports the department had a mutual aid call for a structure fire which required the tanker only. The Fire Chief will be attending a Town Hall meeting regarding upcoming funding from the OFM. Due to dry weather conditions, Casey Township now has a fire ban in place as of midnight tonight. No burning of any kind is permitted until further notice.

c. Others:

i. Recreation Report *[no item]*

ii. Steven Acland, C.P.A., Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP – 2024

Financial Statements *[no item]*

Steve Acland presented Council with the audited Financial Statements for 2024.

2025-117

Moved: Janet Little

Seconded: Bruno Trudel

That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, acknowledge receipt of Steven Acland, C.P.A. of Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP's presentation regarding the 2024 audited financial statements; and

Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer and Reeve to sign the 2024 audited financial statements on behalf of the Township of Casey; and

Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer and Reeve to sign Kemp, Elliot, & Blair LLP's engagement letter pertaining to the 2025 audit.

“CARRIED”

iii. Memo 25-009 – 2025 Asset Management Plan, Andrew Mirabella & Adam Monteith *[electronic presentation]*

Hemson Consulting Ltd. presented the Asset Management Plan for 2025 and corresponding financial strategy, we well as outlined the methods used to determine the presented values.

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- 2025-118 **Moved:** Jacques Fortin **Seconded:** Jessie Dénommé
- THAT we, the Council of the Township of Harley do hereby, acknowledge presentation of the 2025 Asset Management Plan prepared by Hemson Consulting Ltd; and
- THAT the Council of the Municipality of Casey adopts the 2025 Asset Management Plan, as prepared by Hemson Consulting Ltd., in accordance with Ontario Regulation 588/17; and
- THAT the approved Asset Management Plan be posted on the Municipality's website as per legislative requirements and to ensure public access; and
- THAT staff be directed to submit the Plan to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately following its passing; and
- AND THAT Council direct staff to incorporate the financing strategy into the 2026 capital budget process and future budget discussions
- "CARRIED"

- iv. Eco-Logix's Landfill Report – June 2025
- v. Earlton-Timiskaming Airport – Executive Minutes June 2024 & June 2025 Financials [*electronic presentation*]
- vi. Treasurer's Report – July 2025
- vii. Reports from Staff and Council [*no item*]

- 2025-119 **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. Recreation Report [*no item*]
 - ii. Steven Acland, C.P.A., Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP – 2024 Financial Statements [*no item*]
 - iii. Memo 25-009 – 2025 Asset Management Plan, Andrew Mirabella & Adam Monteith – [*electronic presentation*]
 - iv. Eco-Logix's Landfill Report – June 2025
 - v. Earlton-Timiskaming Airport – Executive Minutes June 2024 & June 2025 Financials
 - vi. Treasurer's Report – July 2025
 - vii. Reports from Staff and Council – [*no item*]
- "CARRIED"

7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration:
a. FONOM – NORDS Funding Program Permanency

- 2025-120 **Moved:** Jessie Dénommé **Seconded:** Jacques Fortin
- That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby acknowledge receipt of draft resolution from FONOM regarding support for making the NORDS program permanent and expanding the program eligibility; and

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WHEREAS the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) pilot program was introduced to help Northern Ontario municipalities address infrastructure pressures resulting from natural resource sector activities;

AND WHEREAS the funding provided through the NORDS pilot was very well received by the municipal sector, as it delivered timely and much-needed financial support to many communities across the North;

AND WHEREAS the program has allowed municipalities, such as the City of North Bay, to strategically stack multi-year allocations in order to support large-scale infrastructure initiatives critical to community development and economic growth;

AND WHEREAS the NORDS pilot program has clearly demonstrated its value and effectiveness in helping Northern municipalities address the infrastructure challenges tied to resource development and extraction;

AND WHEREAS rural and northern municipalities are also facing infrastructure degradation resulting from the increasing size and frequency of agricultural machinery and activity, which is currently outside the scope of the pilot;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Casey strongly urges the Government of Ontario to make the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) program a permanent fixture of its support to Northern municipalities;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province consider expanding program eligibility to recognize the significant impact that agricultural equipment and operations have on municipal infrastructure, particularly in rural communities;

AND FURTHER THAT municipalities be encouraged to continue utilizing the ability to stack NORDS allocations over multiple years to support the planning and delivery of major infrastructure projects;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth, the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Natural Resources, local MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, Rural Ontario Municipalities Association and all Northern Ontario municipalities for their awareness and support.

“CARRIED”

- b. Township of Larder Lake – Delegations at FONOM Annual Conference**
No Action

8. Correspondence for Council’s Information:

- a. Community Safety & Well Being – Newsletter-June 2025 – Issue 3**

9. Other Business:

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a. Easement on Hwy 65 [no item]

Reeve Labonté noted a section of road that Casey still controls that now runs into a private laneway since a bridge was removed. (near Judge Park). He has been notified that a severance may occur involving this property and discussed if this is a section the Township could transfer as part of the proposed severance. Council agreed and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to look into the matter with the planner.

b. Purchasing Space Along the River

Council received an email from a resident interested in purchasing a piece of land along the river for the purposes of building a shack/shelter. Staff notified council that a response had been given by email and a follow-up email response was attempted but unfortunately staff received a bounce back notification. Council confirmed with staff that they are not selling any sections of parcels zoned "open space" at this time and asked staff to respond via mailed letter.

10. By-Laws:

- a. By-Law 2025-14** Being a by-law to authorize the signing of a library service agreement between Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board and the Corporation of the Township of Casey. *[three readings]*

2025-121 **Moved: Jacques Fortin** **Seconded: Janet Little**
That **By-Law No. 2025-14**, Being a by-law to authorize the signing of a library service agreement between Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board and the Corporation of the Township of Casey be received and read a first and second time.
"CARRIED"

2025-122 **Moved: Jessie Dénommé** **Seconded: Bruno Trudel**
That **By-Law No. 2025-14**, Being a by-law to authorize the signing of a library service agreement between Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board and the Corporation of the Township of Casey be read a third time and that the same engrossed in the by-law book.
"CARRIED"

11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

None


12. Adjournment:

2025-123 **Moved: Bruno Trudel** **Seconded: Jessie Dénommé**
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:22 p.m. and will meet again on September 10th, 2025 or at the call of the Reeve.

"CARRIED"



Guy Labonté, Reeve



Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer