

**TOWNSHIP OF CASEY**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
of MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2026  
Held at the Casey Council Chambers

**Present:**   **Reeve:**       Guy Labonté  
**Councillors:** Jessie Dénoimé, Janet Little, Bruno Trudel, Jacques Fortin  
**Staff:**         Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer  
                  Rick Ellsmere, Road Superintendent  
**Regrets:**         None

**1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda:**

2026-042   **Moved:**   **Bruno Trudel**                   **Seconded:**   **Jacques Fortin**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.  
“CARRIED”

2026-043   **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. Regular Meeting of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

2026-044   **Moved:**   **Bruno Trudel**                   **Seconded:**   **Janet Little**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adopt the following minutes:  
    a. Regular Meeting of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026 as presented.  
“CARRIED”

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:**  
None

**4. Delegations/Presentation:**  
None

**5. Payments of Accounts – Voucher No. 2026-02**

2026-045   **Moved:**   **Jacques Fortin**                   **Seconded:**   **Jessie Dénoimé**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$67,318.50
Fire	\$1,462.29
Sewer	\$1,784.69
Dump	\$294.43
Recreation	\$471.34
Drain	\$0.00
Admin	\$27,913.25
Total Voucher 2026-02	\$99,244.50

“CARRIED”

**6. Reports from Staff & Others:**

**a. Roads Department Report:**

The Roads Superintendent reports winter operations continued and regular inspections are being done on Britton Bridge. A path continues to be cleared for the isolated residents and no movement has been observed. Ditching was done for the spring run-off. Regular maintenance was

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performed on machinery. Wear parts were ordered and replaced on equipment. Repairs were done on Trucks #7 and #9, the loader and the grader. Shop lightbulbs were replaced under the Energy Conservation Program and gravel was purchased under the Pothole Prevention Program. Lastly, sewer parts have been ordered for resident purchase.

**b. Fire Department Report:**

The Fire Chief reports that they had no calls. Fishing Derby tickets will go on sale next week and plans are coming together for their annual baseball tournament.

**c. Others:**

**i. Landfill Report – January 2026**

**ii. Recreation Report**

Local events continue as planned and shown on the recreation calendar.

**iii. Reports from Staff and Council**

The Clerk-Treasurer reported that they received approval to present at OGRA regarding the Britton Bridge to the Ministry of Infrastructure. Staff are working on a presentation and outlined what the presentation will cover.

2026-046    **Moved:    Jessie Dénoimé                      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. Landfill Report – January 2026
  - ii. Recreation Report
  - iii. Reports from Staff and Council

“CARRIED”

**7. Correspondence for Council’s Consideration:**

**a. County of Prince Edward – Protect our Food Act, 2025.**

No Action

**b. FONOM – Planned Closure of LifeLabs in Greater Sudbury**

2026-047    **Moved:    Bruno Trudel                                      Seconded:    Janet Little**

**WHEREAS** LifeLabs has announced its intention to close its Greater Sudbury laboratory, and the transfer of medical specimen processing from Northern Ontario to laboratories in southern Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Greater Sudbury laboratory provides essential diagnostic services to communities across Northern Ontario, including urban, rural, and remote municipalities, and plays a critical role in ensuring timely and reliable medical testing for Northern residents; and

**WHEREAS** patients with chronic illness, newborns, long-term care residents, and individuals on time-sensitive medications depend on predictable laboratory turnaround times to support clinical decision-making; and

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**WHEREAS** transporting medical specimens long distances to southern Ontario increases the risk of delays, specimen degradation, and retesting, particularly during frequent winter highway closures—potentially jeopardizing patient outcomes; and

**WHEREAS** Northern Ontario is already experiencing shortages of health-care professionals, and the closure of this laboratory further undermines regional workforce stability, training capacity, and recruitment and retention efforts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Corporation of the Township of Casey call on the Province of Ontario and the Ministry of Health to take immediate action to ensure that essential medical laboratory services remain accessible within Northern Ontario, including maintaining local laboratory processing capacity in Greater Sudbury; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Province be urged to ensure reliable, timely, and medically appropriate laboratory turnaround times for Northern Ontario patients, recognizing the unique geographic and climatic challenges of the region; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Province be requested to protect and support the Northern Ontario health-care workforce, including medical laboratory technologists, by preventing further service centralization that disproportionately impacts Northern communities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Health, MPP John Vanthof, FONOM, AMO, and ROMA.  
“CARRIED”

**c. John Vanthof – Expansion and Modernization of Hwys 11&17 – National Significant Project**

2026-048      **Moved:** Bruno Trudel                      **Seconded:** Jessie Dénoimé  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, support MPP John Vanthof’s motion regarding the expansion and modernization of Highways 11 and 17; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to MPP John Vanthof  
“CARRIED”

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

- a. TMA – Urgent Highway Safety and Driver Training Concerns in Northern Ontario**
- b. Ministry of Northern Economic Development and Growth – Redesigned Veterinary Assistance**

**9. Other Business:**

- a. Memo 26-004 – Presentation of the Draft Municipal Budget 2026**  
The Clerk-Treasurer presented Council with the proposed 2026 budget and provided a line by line presentation of all departments projected income and expenses. Three (3) options were presented for council’s consideration.

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That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby acknowledge receipt of three proposed levy options with corresponding budget for the fiscal year 2026 as prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer; and

That council direct the Clerk-Treasurer to prepare a by-law given Levy Option # 3 to be presented for Council's consideration at the Regular Meeting of April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026.  
"CARRIED"

**10. By-Laws:**

a. **By-Law 2026-09**    Being a by-law to repeal By-Law No. 2025-10 with respect to sewage service fees  
*[three readings]*

2026-050    **Moved: Bruno Trudel**                      **Seconded: Jessie Dénoimé**  
That **By-Law No. 2026-09**, being a by-law to repeal By-Law No. 2025-10 with respect to sewage service fees be received and read a first and second time.  
"CARRIED"

2026-051    **Moved: Janet Little**                      **Seconded: Jacques Fortin**  
That **By-Law No. 2026-09**, being a by-law to repeal By-Law No. 2025-10 with respect to sewage service fees be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
"CARRIED"

b. **By-Law 2026-10**    Being a by-law to appoint a livestock evaluator  
*[three readings]*

2026-052    **Moved: Jessie Dénoimé**                      **Seconded: Janet Little**  
That **By-Law No. 2026-10**, being a by-law to appoint a livestock evaluator be received and read a first and second time.  
"CARRIED"

2026-053    **Moved: Jacques Fortin**                      **Seconded: Bruno Trudel**  
That **By-Law No. 2026-10**, being a by-law to appoint a livestock evaluator be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
"CARRIED"

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

a. **Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 2(d) – Wage Review 2026**

2026-054    **Moved: Jacques Fortin**                      **Seconded: Janet Little**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, agree to enter closed session at 8:13 p.m. to discuss the following item:

a. **Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239(d) – Wage Review 2026**  
"CARRIED"

2026-055    **Moved: Janet Little**                      **Seconded: Jacques Fortin**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, agree to arise from closed session at 8:18 p.m.; and

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Direct the Clerk-Treasurer to adjust the confidential wage scale for 2026 as per signed Report ID: CONF-001-2026.

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**12. Adjournment:**

2026-056    **Moved: Jessie Dénommé**                    **Seconded: Bruno Trudel**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Casey do hereby, adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:25 p.m. and will meet again at 7:00 p.m. on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026 or at the call of the Reeve.  
“CARRIED”

  
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Guy Labonté, Reeve

  
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Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer