

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON
Regular Council Meeting
1 Johnson Avenue, Desbarats
Johnson Township Council Chambers (Portable)
November 15, 2017

Presided by: Mayor Ted Hicks

PRESENT:

Council: Councillors – Marlee Hopkins, Jason Kern,
Lorne Robinson
Staff: Clerk – Ruth Kelso, Treasurer – Paula Spurway
Absent: Cameron Ross
Visitors: Attached list.

CALL TO ORDER:

Res: 177 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson open the meeting at 5:35 p.m.
Carried

A.) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None Declared

B.) ACCOUNTS:

Res: 178 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approve the Accounts as presented.
Carried

C.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Res: 179 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the Minutes of October 18,
2017 meeting as presented. Carried

D.) DELEGATIONS: See below

E.) STAFF REPORTS:

1. Treasurers Report – on the 2017 North East Municipal Treasurers Forum.

Res: 180 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: L. Robinson
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson accepts the Treasurer's Report as
presented. Carried

2. Clerk's Report – Office Holiday Hours of Operation.

Res: 181 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the Office holiday hours as presented. Carried

F.) COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MINUTES & REPORTS:

1. Johnson & Tarbutt Landfill Committee – minutes of Nov 8, 2017 meeting.

Res: 182 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Johnson approves Tulloch Engineering preparing a tender for the closing of the Joint Landfill Site Cell#1 and capping as per the Certificate of Approval. Carried

Res: 183 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: M. Hopkins

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson accepts the Committee's recommended hours of operation for the Joint Landfill Site. Carried

Res: 184 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson supports the share shed donations to be set aside in a funded reserve for the future expansion of the share shed building, beginning with the funds received in 2017. Carried

Delegation:

1. Anthony Rossi of Calam Rossi LLP – Presentation of 2016 Audit and discussion on Surplus Reserves.

- Explained the process involved in the Audit.
- Township in good financial standing.
- Discussed surplus reserves and fully funded reserves.

Res: 185 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: M. Hopkins

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson accepts the 2016 Audit from Anthony Rossi, Township Auditor. Carried

Delegation:

2. Daniel Cedolia – Loonie Toons, presently renting at 7950 Highway 17 E.

- Gave a history of how they (Loonie Toons) got to Desbarats.
- Has an accepted offer to purchase the present rented property.
- Discussed the use of the docks and assisting with the layout and control of the site.
- Mayor Hicks stated that he was in encouraged with his ideas and wished him success at the site.

Res: 186 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins

Whereas a property on Lake Huron Drive and Highway 17, formerly utilized as an automobile service station has been discontinued for this land use and is proposed to be replaced by a boat sales and service operation;

And Whereas the Municipality has been notified of a proposed change of land use;

And Whereas, a highway commercial use is subject to site plan control under the official plan;

And Whereas the proposed change of use may have environmental and other impacts;

Now Therefore, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Johnson Resolves:

1. That a change of land use from an automobile service station is subject to site plan control pursuant to the provisions of the Official Plan;
2. That the owners shall be required to enter into a site plan control agreement pursuant to the requirements of Section 41 (7) of the Planning Act;
3. That the owners shall be required to fulfill any permit or other approvals as may be required by the Ministry of Transportation, the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change and the Algoma Public Health as a condition of redevelopment of the subject lands, and shall provide evidence to the Township Clerk of compliance with the said permits and approvals and/or provide information on matters that may be incorporated into the site plan control agreement arising from such permits or approvals. Carried

G.) CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION:

1. Algoma Financial Group – Risk consideration bulletin pertaining to the Legalization of marijuana.
 - Information only.

H) OLD BUSINESS:

1. Councillor M. Hopkins ADMA Report on meeting held September 30, 2017 – pertaining to # 7 Public Health Unit, on report – discussion on supporting ADMA’s resolution to oppose the reduction of the PHU’s from 34 to 14.

Res: 187 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson supports ADMA by opposing the reduction of the number of Public Health Units. Carried

2. Jonathan Stewart – pertaining to the use of property at 7950 Hwy 17 East and request the township Council support this use of the property.
 - See resolution # 186 above.
3. JTCC Canteen operations – update.
 - Waiting for WSIB and Insurance paperwork, to finalize the contract for the 2017/2018 season.

I) NEW BUSINESS:

1. Declare the following property surplus – Roll # 57 16 000 006 04500 0000, PLAN 58 BLK K PT PCL 50ACS RP 1R7825 PART 3. Located on the south east corner of Government Road and Gordon Lake Road. Property undersized as per Zoning By-Law requirements. Further offer for sale to the abutting property owner as per By-Law # 2013-728 Schedule b) subsection (I).

Res: 188 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: J. Kern

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson declares the following property surplus and offers for sale to the abutting property owner:

Roll# 57 16 000 006 04500, PLAN 58 BLK K PT PCL 50ACS RP 1R7825 PART 3. Carried

2. Emergency Management – Exercise and training session Wednesday, November 29, 2017.
 - The following agreed to attend: T. Hicks, M. Hopkins, J. Kern. Councillor L. Robinson will notify the office if he can attend.
3. North Shore Rural Health Hub – Primary Care Work Team – requesting support for request for funding.

Res: 189 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins
 Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson supports and endorses the North Shore Rural Health Hub in their request for funding from the MOHLTC. Carried

J) BY-LAWS:

1. Mayor read “speakers notes” pertaining to By-law # 2017-869.

The Mayor asked if there was anyone who wants to make a presentation for or against the proposed amendment.

The following are comments from audience:

- a) Council L. Robinson – found the bylaw vague, what will happen in the future.
- b) Joan Boychuck – ripple effect, definition of portable/removal building? Thought there could not be 2 kitchens on one property. Did not get information until day before the meeting.
- c) Marshall Thompson – Can the occupant be the owner of the land? Worried about increased traffic, due to the fact the access to property is through his property. Does the continued use go with property if sold?
- d) Cathy Smith- Should have a site plan showing all.
- e) Councillor L. Robinson – not a normal application, could they not apply for a building permit with all drawings and septic system requirements. Could they not just add onto their existing cottage?
- f) Councillor J. Kern – Does not show septic system.

By-Law # 2017-869, being a “Temporary Use By-Law” to authorize the temporary use of land, buildings or structures for any purpose set out therein that is otherwise prohibited. Planner Report.

Res: 190 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
 Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves By-Law # 2017-869, being a bylaw to authorize the temporary use of land. Deferred

2. By-Law # 2017-871, being a bylaw to meet the requirements under the Emergency Management and Civil Protections Act pertaining to Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan.

Res: 191 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: L. Robinson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves By-Law #2017-871, being a bylaw to meet the requirements under the Emergency Management and Civil Protections Act. Carried

3. By-Law # 2017-872, being a bylaw for the appointment of the Community Emergency Management Coordinator.

Res: 192 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves By-Law # 2017-872, being a bylaw for the appointment of the Community Emergency Management Coordinator. Carried

4. By-Law # 2017-873, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Public Safety and Security for the provision of 9-1-1 Central Emergency Reporting Bureau (CERB) services.

Res: 193 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves By-Law # 2017-873, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Public Safety and Security for the provision of 9-1-1 Central Emergency Reporting Bureau Services. Carried

5. By-Law # 2017-860, being a bylaw to regulate and manage the Joint Landfill Site - with revisions recommended by the Joint Landfill Site Committee.

- Council concerns with special rates for tipping and asked that this be removed.

Res: 194 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves By-Law #2017-860, being a bylaw to regulate and manage the Joint Landfill Site. Deferred

Res: 195 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that Council budget \$6,000 in the 2018 budget for the share-shed expansion as recommended by the Joint Landfill site committee. Carried

6. By-Law # 2017- 870, being a by-law to confirm meeting proceedings.

Res: 196 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Johnson read and pass By-Law # 2017-870, being a bylaw to confirm meeting proceedings. Carried

K) HEALTH & SAFETY:

1. Health & Safety issue from the September 20, 2017 meeting – horse droppings on the township roads.

- No update.

L) **CLOSED MEETING:** None

M) **ADJOURNMENT:**

Res: 197

Moved by: M. Hopkins

Seconded by: L. Robinson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Carried

Date Adopted

Ted Hicks, Mayor

Ruth Kelso, CAO/Clerk