

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON

October 18, 2017

5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

*****Location: Johnson Township Portable 1 Johnson Dr., Desbarats, ON****
PLEASE NOTE - ALL ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS MUST TO BE TURNED OFF DURING COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

A. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

B. ACCOUNTS: Accounts payable report as presented.

C. MINUTES:

1. Approve minutes of Councils meetings for September 20, 2017, as presented.

D. DELEGATIONS:

1. 5:30 p.m. - Algoma Public Health – representatives: Dr. Jennifer Loo, Associate Medical Officer of Health, Justin Pino, Chief Financial Officer – presentation on APH programs and services.

E. STAFF REPORTS: None

F. COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MINUTES & REPORTS:

1. Councillor M. Hopkins – report on ADMA meeting held on September 30, 2017.

G. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION:

1. Healthy Aging Information Session – Echo Bay, November 21, 2017.

H. OLD BUSINESS:

1. J.T.C.C. – two items from previous meetings. a) Plan to approach area municipalities to assist in promoting the shared services of the JTCC b) Request for Proposal – on an Engineering study of the JTCC. – Updates from Councillor Ross.
2. Algoma District School Board – purchase of property on Margaret Street. – Update on purchase. Action on portables, once township owns property.

I. NEW BUSINESS:

1. December meeting date change – request from Mayor to schedule meeting earlier in month as been practice in previous years.

J. BY-LAWS:

1. By-Law # 2017-865, being a bylaw to impose sewer rates and establish classifications for the system.
2. By-Law # 2017- 866, being a by-law to confirm meeting proceedings.

K. HEALTH & SAFETY:

1. Health & Safety issue from the September 20, 2017 meeting – horse droppings on the township roads – update from Mayor Hicks & Councillor Ross.

L. CLOSED MEETING: None

M. ADJOURNMENT

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**Township of Johnson
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
To Council**

Date: Wednesday
Oct 18, 2017

Public Information: yes
Confidential: no

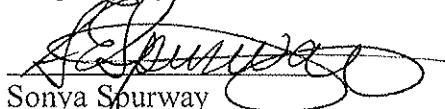
Recommendations:

Information only.

ACCOUNTS PAID

17/9/2	14-Sep	10895	10919	\$169,692.37	Oct
17/9/3	20-Sep	10929	10935	\$15,735.08	Oct
17/9/4	26-Sep	10936	10945	\$21,690.83	Oct
17/10/1	03-Oct	e cheques		\$2,517.28	Oct
17/10/2	06-Oct	10957	10959	\$27,316.37	Oct
17/10/3	11-Oct	10960	10970	\$9,617.82	Oct
			Total	\$246,569.75	

Respectfully Submitted



Sonya Spurway
Administrative Assistant

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON
Regular Council Meeting
1 Johnson Avenue, Desbarats
Johnson Township Council Chambers (Portable)
September 20, 2017

Presided by: Mayor Ted Hicks

PRESENT:

Council: Councillors – Marlee Hopkins, Jason Kern, Cameron Ross,
Lorne Robinson

Staff: Clerk – Ruth Kelso, Public Works Superintendent – Randy Spurway,
Treasurer – Paula Spurway

Visitors: Attached list.

CALL TO ORDER:

Res: 151 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins
 Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson open the meeting at 5:30 p.m.
 Carried

A.) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None Declared

B.) ACCOUNTS:

Res: 152 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: 153 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: L. Robinson
 Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the Minutes of July 19,
 2017 meeting as presented. Carried

D.) DELEGATIONS: None

E.) STAFF REPORTS:

1. Public Works Superintendent – update on roads projects.

Res: 154 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: J. Kern
 Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the PWS Report as
 presented. Carried

2. Public Works Superintendent – Report on JD Link system for Grader and Backhoe.

Res: 155 Moved by: J. Kern Seconded by: M. Hopkins
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the price from Nortrax John Deere of \$940.70 plus HST for JD Link Information for two years for each machine, the Grader and the Backhoe. Carried

3. Arena Manager – update on start of ice season.

Res: 156 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the JTCC Report as presented. Carried

F.) COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MINUTES & REPORTS:

1. Johnson & Tarbutt Landfill Committee – minutes of July 10, 2017 meeting.
2. Police Services Board – minutes of the August 17, 2017 meeting.

Res: 157 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: L. Robinson
Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Johnson accepts Section “F” Council/Committee Minutes & Reports as presented. Carried

G.) CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION:

1. Gordon Lake Hall Rentals – monthly report update.

Res: 158 Moved by: C. Ross Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson accepts Section “G” Correspondence & Information as presented. Carried

H) OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Are available for updated training on Council-Staff Relationships and Roles.

Res: 159 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: C. Ross
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves requesting the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Ministry of Housing to provide Council-Staff relations training. Carried

2. Barb Gjos – representative of the Grey Duck Land owners and their request for grading on the private road. Response pertaining to township assuming the road – they are not interested in such.

I) NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sault Area Hospital Foundation – looking for sponsors for their iCcare gala November 4, 2017.

Action: Not interested at this time.

2. North Shore Health Network Foundation – requesting permission to sell tickets in the Township of Johnson.

Res: 160 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: L. Robinson
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves the selling of raffle tickets by the North Shore Health Network in the Township of Johnson. Carried

3. Emergency Management – To meet the required annual training for the Municipal Emergency Control Group.

Action: Councillors Kern and Robinson will be attending.

J) BY-LAWS:

1. By-Law # 2017-863, being a bylaw to provide for the erection of a 4-way stop sign at the corners of Fisher and Government Road.

Res: 161 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson approves By-Law # 2017-863, being a bylaw to provide for the erection of a 4-way stop sign at the corners of Fisher and Government Road. Carried

2. By-Law # 2017 – 849 – being a bylaw to approve a policy for the prevention of Bullying, Violence and Harassment in the Workplace.

Res: 162 Moved by: M. Hopkins Seconded by: J. Kern
Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson read and pass By-Law # 2017-849, being a bylaw to approve a policy for the prevention of Bullying, Violence and Harassment in the Workplace. Carried

3. By-Law # 2017 – 864, being a by-law to confirm meeting proceedings.

Res: 163 Moved by: L. Robinson Seconded by: M. Hopkins
Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Johnson read and pass By-Law # 2017-864, being a bylaw to confirm meeting proceedings. Carried

K) HEALTH & SAFETY:

- Councillor Ross asked to discuss the issue of horse droppings on the road and the danger that it presents with people swerving to avoid.

Action: Mayor Hicks and Councillor Ross will meet with the local Mennonite Community members to determine if there is a solution to this problem.

L) CLOSED MEETING: None

M) ADJOURNMENT:

Res: 164

Moved by: C. Ross

Seconded by: C. Ross

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Johnson adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Carried

Date Adopted

Ted Hicks, Mayor

Ruth Kelso, CAO/Clerk

**Township of Johnson
Counsellor Report
To Council
Subject – ADMA Meeting September 30, 2017**

Date: October 18, 2017

**Public Information: Yes
Confidential: No**

Recommendations:

- For information only

Information:

1) Presentation by Mathew Wilson Senior Policy Advisor A.M.O. Local Share – background:

- 2017 Provincial Budget show debt of 341 Billion for 2017-2018
- Provincial Financial Accountability Officer project steady deterioration in the budget deficit going forward
- One has to ask what is the likelihood in getting more financial assistance from the Province

Proposal:

- Increase the Provincial sales tax 1% Province wide
- After rebates for Low Income and administration cost, projected 2.5 billion annually
- Revenues to help finance public infrastructure and services

Why Local Share:

- Diversity municipal revenues
- Close infrastructure gap
- Provide for local needs
- Less vulnerability to Fed/Prov. Policy changes
- More predictable long-term infrastructure planning and financing at the local level
- Reduces upward pressure on property tax rates

Illustrative Distribution as a % of Taxation:

Population	Municipalities	Taxation	HST Revenue as a % of current own source revenue
<1000	78	70,078,178	25%
1001-9,999	193	806,088,356	23%
10,000-24,999	79	906,812,862	19%
25,000-49,999	29	948,936,783	16%
50,000-99,999	30	1,663,533,379	16%
100,000-499,999	25	3,814,432,859	14%
Over 500,000	10	9,899,103,371	12%

What they are asking:

1. Focus on the concept, try out the idea, and see how it fits.
2. Read report- available online at www.amo.on.ca/localshare
3. If you have any questions, please ask localshare@amo.on.ca
4. Council resolutions welcome, provide your feedback to A.M.O.

Revenue Sharing programs in Saskatchewan and Newfoundland. I have copy of reports, if anyone wants their own copy, or you can go online (re 2 above address)

2) FONOM report:

- Met last Thursday in Timmins. Disappointed with number of Prov. Gov't. Ministers attendance. Raised this concern with the Premier – said she will address this issue.
- Concerns with:
 - Railway right of ways taxation policy dated 1940 – want newer, updated policy
 - Energy cost – most municipalities opposed to shifting costs to kids, grandkids
 - Funding for Fire Services Infrastructure – doesn't meet criteria for infrastructure funding
 - Health/Long-term care – concerns with new Pilot Project Firefighter Paramedic. Will our Volunteer Firefighters have to train as Paramedics? Announcement on this issue forthcoming Oct/Nov. 2017
 - 4 laning of TransCanada Highway. Concerns with Hwy 17 being closed due to bridge/washout near Nipigon.

3) Blue Box: still concerns with transferring programs to Stewardship Ontario. Producers should be paying program costs.

Advise us NOT to enter into any contracts with producers to recycle their products.

- Ontario Tire Stewardship – webinar Oct. 17 and 18 2017
- Education program upcoming (2019) best before dates
- 98% want to recycle, 63% do recycle

4) Changes to Residential Tenancies Act: Landlords and tenants should not expect Municipalities to enforce. (We should review our Property Standard By-Law – does it and what does it not include regarding Residential Buildings?)

- Support A.D.M.A. resolution to stop downloading of enforcing Res. Ten. Act

5) Algoma Power Community Stakeholder meeting to be held Nov. 22/17 in SSM

6) D.S.A.B. review: Gov't has concerns with Cochrane, Thunder Bay and Kenora D.S.A.B.s. No issues with Algoma D.S.A.B.

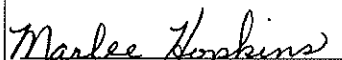
- We still have time to submit concerns (end of October)
- Wawa has concerns with apportionment of levy, issue with votes (represents population not area)
- Wawa has issues with A.D.S.A.B. sending workers from Thessalon to Wawa to cut grass on A.D.S.A.B. properties – should hire local

7) Public Health: Presently 36 P.H.U. – Gov't wants to reduce # to 14 (same as L.I.H.N.). Concerns with loss of services, input into programming, etc. F.O.N.O.M. not supporting.

- Asking us to pass resolution opposing reducing # of Public Health Units (send to A.D.M.A.)

Next A.D.M.A. meeting will be held in Blind River on April 7, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted


Marlee Hopkins
Councillor



HEALTHY AGING INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2017

10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. ECHO BAY COMMUNITY HALL

- 10:30 a.m. Bereavement Seminar
North Channel Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic
Speakers: Kim Greenwood & Karissa Barbarie
- 11:30 a.m. Recreational Therapy Program
Alzheimer Society
Speaker: Heather Grant-Recreational Therapist
- 12:00 p.m. Light Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial Centre
Jess La Combe, Assistant Program Coordinator
- 1:00 p.m. Finding Your Way Initiative
Alzheimer Society
Lisa Meschino,

Pre-registration requested. Please call the municipal office at 705-248-2441.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON
BY-LAW NO. 2017 - 865

BEING A BY-LAW to amend By-Law numbers 95 – 266.

WHEREAS The Corporation of the Township of Johnson passed By-Law number 95 – 266, being a by-law to impose sewer rates for the maintenance and management of the sewer system and establish classifications for the system.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Johnson enacts the following sewer rate charges:

1. Residential, Commercial and Township Fire Hall:
 - A flat rate of \$25.00 per month.
2. Township Community Centre:
 - A base rate of \$200.00 (8 units) per month.
3. Multi-Residential:
 - A base rate of \$25.00 per month shall be charged per unit, (i.e. 4 plex would be 4 units)

AND surplus arising from the recovery rates(s) will be placed in a Reserve Fund established for future repair costs associated with the sewer system.

THIS BY-LAW repeals By-Law number # 2013- 730.

THIS BY-LAW comes into force and effect for the fourth period billing in 2017.

READ and passed in open Council this 18th day of October, 2017.

MAYOR, Ted Hicks

CLERK, Ruth Kelso

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON

BY-LAW NO. 2017 – 866

BEING a By-Law to confirm proceedings of the meeting of Council, October 18, 2017.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 5 (3) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, as amended requires a municipal council to exercise its power by bylaw except where otherwise provided;

AND WHEREAS in many cases, action which is taken or authorized to be taken by a Council or a Committee of Council does not lend itself to an individual bylaw;

THE Council of the Corporation of the Township of Johnson hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the action of the Council at its meeting October 18, 2017 in respect to each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting, is, except where prior approval of the Ontario Municipal Board is required, hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.
2. That the Mayor and the proper officers of the Township of Johnson are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents as may be necessary and directed to affix the Corporate Seal to all such documents as required.

READ and passed in open Council this 18th. day of October, 2017.

Seal

Ted Hicks, MAYOR

Ruth Kelso, CLERK