



Regular Council Meeting Agenda

December 18th, 2024

6:00 pm

Council Chambers

1 Johnson Drive

Desbarats, ON P0R 1E0

***Land Acknowledgment:** We acknowledge, with respect, the land that we live and work on. This land is the traditional territory of the Anishinabek Nation. We are a part of the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850. We acknowledge the neighbouring communities of Thessalon First Nation, and Garden River First Nation. This land is also homeland of the Metis.*

We acknowledge all original peoples of this land, past, present and future. By providing this land acknowledgement, we recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples on this land, and we commit ourselves to work together in reconciliation and action towards a positive and inclusive future for all children.

1. Call to Order
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
3. Adoption of an Addendum
4. Delegation
5. Minutes of Previous Meeting: November 2024
6. Statements for the Month of: December 2024
7. Staff and Committee Reports: Clerk, Treasurer, Public Works (verbal), Fire Dept., Arena, Recreation (verbal)

A. Old/Unfinished Business:

1. OPP: Because of the numerous letters of complaint/objection that were forwarded to the Provincial Government regarding the increase in the OPP fees, they are proposing to provide over \$77 million in financial relief to municipalities to help offset the increased cost of municipal police services.
2. Bruce Mines Plummer Additional Union Public Library requesting an additional \$2500.00 from Johnson Township. The current library contribution is \$2405, covered by the Contracting Libraries Operating Grant. In 2024, Plummer Township and the Town of Bruce Mines provided a levy of \$40,000 for the library operating. It is anticipated that this levy will increase in the 2025 budget.



B. New Business:

1. Res: Municipality of St. Charles and the Town of Aurora seeking support to request the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to Municipalities;
2. Res: Municipality of St. Charles seeking support regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program for nonalcoholic beverage containers.
3. Res: The Municipality of Dysart et al seeking support in requesting the Government of Ontario to take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead.
4. Res: The Township of North Glengarry seeking support in calling upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes, or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation.
5. Res: Planning Board to receive and support the Planning Board Staff recommendation regarding the additions to the Prime Agricultural Areas from J.L. Richards and Associates and they should be considered for the Joint Official Plan.
6. Res: Official Plan Amendment re: to receive and support the recommendation of Chris Jones (Municipal Planning Services Ltd) regarding Part Lot 5, Concession 4 et al (Ransohoff) for an OPA to allow for an entrance onto Hwy 17 E. and to create a policy exemption from the Township's Official Plan
7. Res: Jan. meeting- recommended date of January 22, 2025
8. Res: MMAH regarding the a provincially consistent Code of Conduct for all Ontario municipalities.

C. Information:

D. Meetings / Workshops:

E. General Council Discussion:

F. Closed/In Camera:

1. 239 (2) (B) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
. employee job performance

G. Adjournment:

1. By-law 2024-1126 being a Confirming by-law.



CONFLICT OF INTEREST
Schedule 'A'

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

I, Council member (print name) _____, declare a potential
(deemed/direct/indirect) pecuniary interest on Council Agenda (check) ____ Committee Agenda
(check) ____

Dated _____ Agenda Item Number _____

Agenda description of item _____ for the following
reason _____

Signature of member of council or committee _____

NOTE: To be recorded in a registry along with the associated Minutes and available upon request for public inspection

Definition of interests:

Indirect pecuniary interest

2 For the purposes of this Act, a member has an indirect pecuniary interest in any matter in which the council or local board, as the case may be, is concerned, if,

- (a) the member or his or her nominee,
 - (i) is a shareholder in, or a director or senior officer of, a corporation that does not offer its securities to the public,
 - (ii) has a controlling interest in or is a director or senior officer of, a corporation that offers its securities to the public, or
 - (iii) is a member of a body,

that has a pecuniary interest in the matter; or

(b) the member is a partner of a person or is in the employment of a person or body that has a pecuniary interest in the matter. R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50, s. 2.

Interest of certain persons deemed that of member

3. For the purposes of this Act, the pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, of a parent or the spouse or any child of the member shall, if known to the member, be deemed to be also the pecuniary interest of the member. R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50, s. 3; 1999, c. 6, s. 41 (2); 2005, c. 5, s. 45 (3).



*Minutes of the Regular Meeting
November 20, 2024
1 Johnson Drive, Desbarats*

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Clerk's interpretation of the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 5:58 PM.

Present: R. McKinnon, J. Kern, K. Stobie, G. Grant

Regrets: E. McKinnon

Staff: J. Maguire, F. Labelle, T. Phillips, R. Smith arrived at 6:00 pm, Janet Boucher, R. Ford, D. Methot

Delegation: S. Glover, H. MacDonald

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest was filed by R. McKinnon for Item 9I.

Res. 2024-159 J. Kern, G. Grant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL called the regular meeting to order at 5:58pm. (cd)

Res: 2024-160 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts the Minutes of the October 16, 2024 meeting as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-161 G. Grant, K. Stobie

Be IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL accepts the statements for the November 2024 regular meeting as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-162 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts the staff reports for November 2024 as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-163 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL accepts Councillor Stobie as the OPP representative for Johnson Township as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-164 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL does support the City of Cambridge in seeking support from Ontario Big Mayors of Ontario motion for the chronic homelessness, mental health, safety and addiction crisis as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-165 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL does not support the Ontario Film Makers by not purchasing advertising on their posters as presented. (defeated)

Res: 2024-166 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts to support the Government of Ontario in accepting nominations for an exceptional educator as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-167 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL supports Ontario Good Roads to make Ontario Highways safer in the future as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-168 J. Kern, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL Supports Baldwin Township on seeking support on the transport and disposition of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material in the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-169 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL supports the Town of Petrolia in seeking support in giving family doctors compensation with immediate fee increases as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-170 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL supports the Township of Terrace Bay in seeking support to petition the Ontario Government to adsorb the cost of the OPP back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery from Municipalities as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-171 J. Kern, G. Grant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL support a Land Acknowledgement Statement to be included on future Council Agendas and part of any meeting going forward as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-172 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL defers the request of Thorncamp to have an encroachment to an entrance onto Kensington Road adjacent to the Water Treatment Plant, as presented. (Deferred)

Res: 2024-173 K. Stobie, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts the Christmas break from December 20, 2024 to January 6, 2025 as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-174 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts By-Law 2024-1124 being a by-law to remove Dave MacDonald as Alt. CEMC and add Janet Maguire as Alt. CEMC as presented. (cd)

Mayor McKinnon left the room at 6:40 pm due to Pecuniary Interest

Res: 2024-175 K. Stobie, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts the staff recommendation to accept the RFP submitted by Tulloch Engineering to provide the Feasibility Study as presented. (cd)

Mayor McKinnon returned to the room at 6:50 pm.

Res: 2024-176 J. Kern, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts By-Law 2024-1125 being a confirming by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Council as presented. (cd)

Res: 2024-177 J. Kern, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adjourns at 7:00 pm until the next scheduled meeting on December 18, 2024 or at the call of the Mayor, as presented. (cd)

Mayor: Reg McKinnon

CAO/Clerk Janet Maguire

November 20, 2024

Corp. of the Township of Johnson
Payment Log 11/01/2024-11/30/2024

Date	Comment	Source #	Amount
11/01/2024	2024.11.01 reimb.fir, Ron Smith	VP630	\$ 98.60
11/01/2024	QB-206098, Northern Rural Net, Inc.	Cash	\$ 90.39
11/01/2024	8754-003901, Huron Central Railway Inc.	VP635	\$ 2,196.00
11/02/2024	13587 - reimb, Dave MacDonald	VP648	\$ 56.48
11/02/2024	2024.11 Payroll 1		\$ 20,537.91
11/05/2024	reimbursement - tax, Township of Tarbutt	904 OLP	\$ 652.22
11/06/2024	Truck Loan Payment	LoanPmt23	\$ 1,040.31
11/07/2024	Cheryl Larrett	16571	\$ 1,469.00
11/07/2024	Brian Cameron Trucking Inc	16572	\$ 2,712.00
11/07/2024	Harv's Excavating	16573	\$ 474.60
11/07/2024	Raker Innovative Services	16574	\$ 254.25
11/07/2024	Nor-Therm Ltd.	16575	\$ 5,796.77
11/07/2024	PUC Services Inc.	16576	\$ 8,786.87
11/07/2024	Royal Canadian Legion Branch 211 "Poppy Account"	16577	\$ 60.00
11/07/2024	Minister of Finance OPP	16578	\$ 12,567.00
11/07/2024	Ken Cameron	16579	\$ 2,000.00
11/07/2024	17E Trading Post	16580	\$ 1,044.75
11/07/2024	Algoma District Services Administration Board	16581	\$ 31,009.58
11/07/2024	2025671, Tulloch Engineering Inc	VP645	\$ 1,762.80
11/07/2024	285131526, Traction	VP646	\$ 101.02
11/11/2024	2024.10SD, Receiver General for Canada	7R1Vx-1750337-OLP	\$ 14,384.07
11/11/2024	2024.10ME OMERS, OMERS	6192-OLP	\$ 9,258.48
11/11/2024	2024.10FRO, Director, FRO	6193.OLP	\$ 591.00
11/15/2024	2024.11.15 stamps, Canada Post	16582	\$ 2,316.50
11/15/2024	Gilbertson's Enterprises	VP641 -	\$ 7,042.73
11/15/2024	2025706, Tulloch Engineering Inc	VP647	\$ 1,914.90
11/16/2024	194, Stefanizzi Professional Corporation	VP620	\$ 15,481.00
11/19/2024	2024.11 Payroll #2	DD91489-500	\$ 20,131.90
11/21/2024	114566, Algoma Office Equipment	VP642	\$ 556.71
11/21/2024	Loan Payments - Fire Truck	GLLoanPmt	\$ 3,027.75
11/23/2024	Bell Canada	557 OLP	\$ 195.14
11/23/2024	Bell Canada	558 OLP	\$ 259.80
11/23/2024	Bell Canada	560 OLP	\$ 514.47
11/23/2024	Bell Canada	562 OLP	\$ 7.91
11/23/2024	Bell Canada	563 OLP	\$ 20.82
11/23/2024	Bell Canada	566 OLP	\$ 27.93
11/23/2024	Bell Mobility	568 OLP	\$ 55.31
11/23/2024	Dec 1 2024, Equitable Life of Canada	VP643	\$ 7,680.06
11/24/2024	A. J. Clarke and Associates Ltd	VP649	\$ 923.78
11/24/2024	M & L Supply	VP650	\$ 4,866.21
11/24/2024	ANP Office Supply	2093 OLP	\$ 502.90

**Corp. of the Township of Johnson
Payment Log 11/01/2024-11/30/2024**

Date	Comment	Source #	Amount
11/24/2024	AlgomaTechnology Services	7445 OLP	\$ 3,004.21
11/24/2024	Bugland Pest Mgmt Inc	803 ETRAN	\$ 322.05
11/24/2024	Stcbie Mechanical & Welding	7661 ETRAN	\$ 715.49
11/24/2024	Gardiner Marine Ltd.	6890 ETRAN	\$ 830.56
11/24/2024	Kern, Jason M	DD91502	
11/26/2024	202001595, Maddie Mclean	ETRAN - CqApDZ7tT7CZ	\$ -
11/27/2024	Terri Veerman	20210408	\$ -
11/28/2024	18953, Gilbertson's Enterprises	VP644	\$ 15,080.08
11/29/2024	202001597, Sammy Jo Campbell	ETRAN - CAFp79Up	\$ -
11/30/2024	Ending2024.11.30, Glenn Martin	VP652	\$ 1,500.00
11/30/2024	to record November W/S transactions	UMS November	\$ -
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Total Payment - November			\$ 212,692.07



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December 2024

This year has been busy for everyone, getting acquainted with new employees and working them into schedules and getting things done.

The Public works department has been the busiest as they also take care of the Water Treatment as far as breaks. They had two leaks in town that were fixed within a few hours once found and then the big one out in the water that took six weeks to find and took about half an hour to fix. These leaks either big or small take a toll on everyone on staff, we were all on call for anything from letting people aware of what was going on to getting bottled water available for the town people and searching out where to send people for showers if need be. These are all things that have to be thought of along with emergency management. The big thing is to be prepared for anything.

While dealing with water problems Public Works were pulled away from so many of their own jobs such as ditching and culvert replacement, as well as hard surfacing the streets of the hamlet!! Hopefully they will be able to get caught up next year pending all other things that may come up.

Arena and recreation have been in full swing this year with bookings at the Gordon Lake Hall and the Arena Ice and Hall being booked up. This is the hub of our community and a great deal of work and long hours have been put into it. With the addition of the new sport court I can foresee this area getting a lot of use from people of all ages. We continue to apply for grants to improve and bring new things to the Township and to keep our residents active.

The Fire Department has had a busy year with getting a lot of learning under their belts and inspections being done. They continue to look for new volunteers and they have to undergo a lot of classroom and hands on training when they join. We are happy to have received a grant to get the Fire Hall a Generator as back up power and have applied for another grant to bring new PPE to the Fire Hall. We continue to look for and apply for grants to help with anything to do with the safety of our volunteers.

The office is getting caught up with year end things and preparing for budgets for 2025. The final arrears notices may not be going out due to the postal strike but you can find out any information by calling or dropping in.

We will be closed from December 20, 2024- January 6, 2025 but coming in to check for phone messages or emails. If you need anything to finish off 2024 please do not hesitate to ask.

2025 we are hoping will be another progressive year with more improvements at the arena, more roads being improved and ditching being done to a aggressive study on the water distribution line and bringing it on land to be able to do maintenance on it. The Township continues to grow in all aspects which we are always happy to have residences come our way to have there families make memories in Johnson Township.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Janet Maguire



Johnson Township Community Centre

Denise Methot: Facility Manager

705-782-6723

arena@johnsontownship.ca

December 18, 2024 Regular Council Meeting

JTTC Facility Report to Council

Nov/Dec items:

- Frieda and I took part in a Net Zero Presentation on November 28, 2024. The bottom line is we need a financial energy analysis which is quite costly. If we have some of it done already it can be piggy backed and would save us some money.
- They would help with grants.
- In the long run we will save energy costs by 40% compressor energy and 75% maintenance costs. Improve facility safety
- They mentioned they are available for any questions and would meet with anyone who has more questions.
- Exhaust fan in canteen was making a racket on game day. It's been repaired for now. I have requested a quote for a new insert as the cladding is covering up the outer attachment.

Denise Methot, Facility Manager

Johnson Township Fire Dept.

– Report to Council – 12/18/24

- 1) With a cold couple of days there is a problem with the blower on one of the furnaces in the hall. The heating repair people have been in and a new blower motor for the unit has been ordered. With the current backup of packages, no firm date for repair has been suggested. The other unit will have to do double duty for the time being.
- 2) Our first aid training was cancelled due to inclement weather and a fatal mvc which occurred and closed hwy traffic for the day. A date to rebook hasn't been suggested as yet.
- 3) We are awaiting the plumbers return to change some fittings. The first attempt ended without success so another attempt will be required.
- 4) As 2024 comes to a close we reflect back on our activities and the following stats paint the picture year to date :
 - a. 41 calls for service accounting for 324 hrs
 - b. 41 Training events accounting for 590 hrs
 - c. 101 Other activities that include community events etc adding 368 hrs
 - d. Bringing the reported hours to 1,282.4 not including the other hours spent that are not recorded.
- 5) Several other activities of note involved the repair of upgrading of infrastructure. As the equipment and buildings age, the repairs become more frequent and significant. More to come for 2025 I'm sure.
 - a. Tower building roof repair
 - b. Installation of back-up generator at fire hall and Generlink system for Tower
 - c. Rebuild of portable pump
 - d. Various repairs on Rescue 25 – engine, coolant, oil leaks
 - e. Battery backups at FH & Tower
 - f. Pumper air line repair
 - g. Repeater power supply
 - h. Water leak – incoming water supply line to the firehall
 - i. Overhead furnace blower
- 6) One other highlight is the fact that we now have a person (Marty Fremlin) on our department who can provide the "D" class license training. There are some other details to work out with OAF to make it official, however, that will make a huge difference in preparing firefighters for the Class D licence.



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December 18, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council
Treasury Department, Report to Council

November/December Items:

- Monthly remittances completed including Receiver General, OMERS and other bill payments
- Regular month end processes are under way, including payables, bank deposits, and posting from the tax software and the water and sewer program to SAGE
- Budget preparation has begun for 2025 – a reminder to department heads to provide information as soon as possible
- We are in the process of preparing items for the 2024 audit, with a goal of having the Auditor at the office no later than the end of February/mid March.
- 2025 OPP costs – in October, we reported a proposed increase that would result in a 21.5 % increase in the policing invoice (and would require a 1% levy increase by the Municipality). AMO, FONOM, and other municipal groups are working to come up with a plan to reduce the municipal burden. No confirmation of this has been received.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Boucher, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Township of Johnson



TORONTO — The Ontario government is proposing to provide over \$77 million in financial relief to municipalities to help offset the increased cost of municipal police services provided by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). This investment will help these predominantly small and rural communities address the budget impacts resulting from the collective bargaining agreement that was reached between the province and the Ontario Provincial Police Association (OPPA) in July 2024.

“Our government is working closely with our municipal partners and our women and men in uniform to keep communities across Ontario safe,” said Solicitor General Michael Kerzner. “The financial relief we are proposing will help municipal leaders balance their budgets and invest in their communities while ensuring no change to the policing provided by the OPP that keeps families and businesses safe.”

The Ontario government’s proposal would support small and rural municipalities by offsetting the 2025 impacts of OPP salary increases. This includes:

- A 3.75 per cent bill reduction on 2023 total reconciled costs,
- A 44 per cent bill reduction on 2023 reconciled overtime costs, and
- A 10 per cent bill reduction on amounts invoiced for 2025 policing costs.

In addition to these changes, the Government of Ontario is continuing its annual \$125 million Court Security & Prisoner Transportation Transfer Payment Program for the 2025 calendar year.

The province will also be examining options for reviewing the OPP billing model to ensure that it meets the needs of communities across the province.

Quick Facts

- The OPP provides municipal policing services to 330 municipalities across Ontario.
- The OPPA and the provincial government ratified a new uniform and civilian collective agreement in July 2024 that included general salary increases for 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Quotes

"AMO is pleased that the government has listened to concerns about the increase in Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) billing recovery costs with this proposal. Without the provincial action, the rise in OPP costs would have significantly impacted small, rural, and northern communities serviced by the OPP. Municipal fiscal sustainability is under pressure across Ontario, and municipalities struggle to balance their budgets. This proposition is an important recognition of this challenge and will help support quality of life for residents across the province."



The Corporation of the Township of Plummer Additional

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Mayor: Beth West

CAO/Treasurer: Line Webster

Clerk: Liisa Cotnam

Township of Johnson

Dear Council Members

To address the Council's request for more information:

The Library is seeking an additional 2500.00 along with your portion of the library grant you submit, which would bring your total to approximately 5000.00 to support the library's operational and program needs. The Library receives 3826.00 under the Public Library Operating Grant, The town of Bruce Mines and The Township of Plummer Additional also have a levy of 40,000.00 to support the library. This will help ensure the library can continue to meet the needs of our community effectively.

Yours sincerely

Bruce Mines Plummer Additional Union Public Library

Beth West
Mayor/Chair



Legislative Services
Ishita Soneji
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November 27, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada

Delivered by email
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario

premier@ontario.ca

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford:

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of November 26, 2024
Member Motion 8.9.1 - Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request the Redistribution of the
Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable
Infrastructure Funding**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on November 26, 2024, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure

initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and**
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and**
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and**
- 4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and**
- 5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Sincerely,



Ishita Soneji
Deputy Town Clerk
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

IS/lb

Attachment (Council meeting extract)

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 8.2.
Resolution Number 2024-403
Title: Resolution Stemming from October 16, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 8.1 - Correspondence #4
Date: November 20, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Loftus
Seconded by: Councillor Lachance

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports the letter dated September 20, 2024 by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin; the Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED


MAYOR



The Municipality of Dysart et al

Regular Council Resolution

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Motion #24-455

Moved by Pat Casey

Seconded by Carm Sawyer

Whereas official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

And whereas, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

And whereas, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

And whereas, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;

And whereas, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

Therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of Dysart et al requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Infrastructure, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, the Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs, the Ontario Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and the Ontario Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

Further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried

Defeated

Deferred

Walt McKechnie, Deputy Mayor

Mallory Bishop, Clerk

**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

Council Meeting

Resolution # 8

Date: October 28, 2024

Moved By: Carma Williams

Seconded By: Jamie MacDonald

WHEREAS the assessment cycle is an essential process for maintaining the fairness and predictability of property taxes in our province and;

WHEREAS the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners and;

WHEREAS the government has delayed an assessment update again in 2024, resulting in Ontario's municipalities continuing to calculate property taxes using 2016 property values and;

WHEREAS both current and outdated assessments are inaccurate, increase volatility, and are not transparent and;

WHEREAS frequent and accurate reassessments are necessary to stabilize property taxes and provide predictability for property owners, residents, and businesses alike and;

WHEREAS the staff at the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation would benefit from further skills enhancement and training in assessments, recognizing the importance of ensuring accurate evaluations for 100% of our municipality and;

WHEREAS the Government has announced a review of the property assessment and taxation system with a focus on fairness, equity, and economic competitiveness, and therefore further deferring new property assessment and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry hereby calls upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes while the Government conducts its review of the property assessment and taxation system, or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation and;

**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

Council Meeting

Resolution #

Date: October 28, 2024

FURTHERMORE, THAT all Municipalities in Ontario and their constituents are encouraged to apply pressure to the Premier, daily, weekly, and monthly, to resolve the situation before it causes undo stress to everyone in the Municipality and;

FINALLY RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipality in Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, and all municipalities in Ontario for their consideration, to make proper changes as quickly and efficiently as possible.

CARRIED

DEFEATED

DEFERRED



MAYOR / DEPUTY MAYOR

Deputy Mayor: Carma Williams

Councillor: Jacques Massie

Councillor: Brian Caddell

Councillor: Jeff Manley

Councillor: Michael Madden

Councillor: Gary Martin

Mayor: Jamie MacDonald

YEA

NEA



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council regarding the recommendation of additional Prime Agricultural land(s) in the Township from the Planners at J.L. Richards and Associates. Prime Agricultural Areas will be added to the Joint Official Plan for the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board and will limit the feasibility of creating new lots and would aim to protect farmland from incompatible land-uses.

BACKGROUND:

The Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board passed the following electronic/phone poll on December 12, 2024:

Moved by: L. Smith Seconded by: S. Bailey

THAT THE BOARD receives the recommended additions to the Prime Agricultural Areas from J.L. Richards and Associates and agrees to forward the proposed additional recommendations to each respective Municipality for consideration for the Joint Official Plan.

Cd

The attached map(s) show the recommended addition of Prime Agricultural Area in the Township of Johnson.

There are 2 property(s) that are/is recommended to change from the Rural to Prime Agricultural designation for the Joint Official Plan for the Township of Johnson.

Laird: The recommended 457-hectare addition to the 1922 hectares of Prime Agricultural Areas within the Township of Laird constitutes a 24% increase to the Prime Agricultural Areas. This does not include the area of the Barr River Hamlet.

MMAA: The recommended 100-hectare addition to the 817 hectares of Prime Agricultural Areas within the Township of MMAA constitutes a 12% increase to the Prime Agricultural Areas. This does not include the area of the Barr River Hamlet.

Johnson: The recommended 21.6-hectare addition to the 2586 hectares of Prime Agricultural Areas within the Township of Johnson constitutes less than a 1% increase to the Prime Agricultural Areas. The Land Evaluation Area Review (LEAR) score is shown on the corresponding map for each property recommended to be added. The



LEAR score is out of 100 and properties with higher scores are used as an indicator for lands that should be designated Prime Agricultural.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION

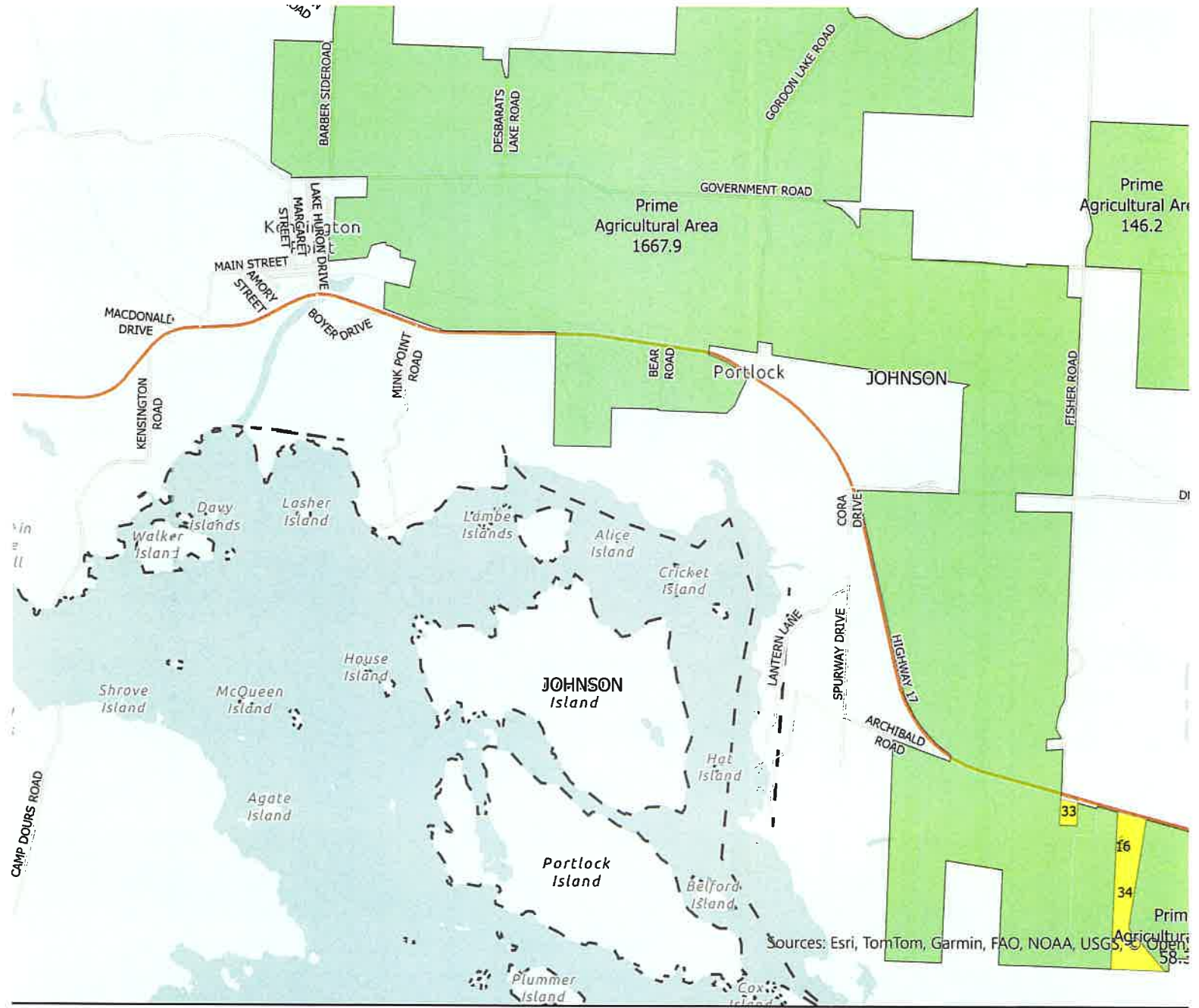
There are no foreseen financial impacts for the Township associated with the recommended additions.

STAFF RECOMENDATION

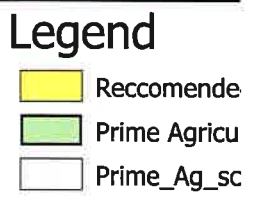
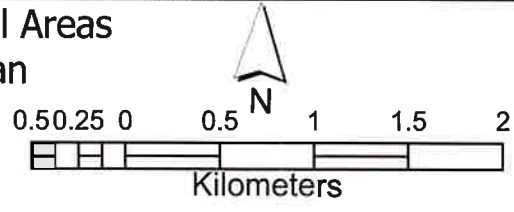
Staff recommend:

- That the report from the Deputy Clerk/ Planning Coordinator be received; and
- That Council accept the forwarding of the consideration from the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board for the recommended Prime Agricultural Land additions within the Township of Johnson from J.L. Richards and Associates, and
- That Council accept the recommended Prime Agricultural Area for the Joint Official Plan as presented/ as amended to exclude the Barr River Hamlet Area/ or whatever.

Jared Brice
Deputy Clerk/ Planning
Coordinator



Recommended Addition(s) to the Prime Agricultural Areas
in the Township of Johnson for the Joint Official Plan



Sources: Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, OpenStreetMap

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor McKinnon and Members of Council
Copy: Ms. Janet Maguire, Clerk-Treasurer
From: Chris Jones MCIP, RPP
Date: December 13, 2024
Re: Application for Official Plan Amendment – Preliminary Report

BACKGROUND

The Township is in receipt of an application for an Official Plan Amendment for lands located in Part Lot 5, Concession 4, described legally as Part 1, Plan 1R-2351, together with Part of Lot 5, Concession 3, and Part of Lot 4, Concession 4. The lands have a lot area of 39.85 ha (98.47 acres) and a shoreline frontage on the North Channel of 476 metres (1,563 feet). The lands also have a road frontage on Highway 17 of 15.24 metres (50 feet). A key map of the subject lands is provided in Figure 1.

Figure 1 – Map of Subject Lands



PURPOSE OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT (OPA)

The purpose of the OPA is to:

1. Authorize a new private road providing direct access to the property from Highway 17; and,
2. Create a policy exemption from the Township's Official Plan to allow the creation of up to three new shoreline lots to be used for resource-based recreational use.

Figure 2 provides an illustration of the new private road to be constructed as well as the location of the existing access road (Thompson Drive) and the three shoreline lots proposed to be created through the consent process.

Figure 2 – Illustration of Proposed New Private Road and Shoreline Lots



PROVINCIAL PLANNING STATEMENT (2024)

The following policies from the Provincial Planning Statement have applicability to this proposal:

2.5 Rural Areas in Municipalities

1. Healthy, integrated and viable *rural areas* should be supported by:
 - a) building upon rural character, and leveraging rural amenities and assets;
 - f) providing opportunities for sustainable and diversified tourism, including leveraging historical, cultural, and natural assets;
 - g) conserving biodiversity and considering the ecological benefits provided by nature; and

2.6 Rural Lands in Municipalities

1. On *rural lands* located in municipalities, permitted uses are:
 - b) resource-based recreational uses (including recreational dwellings not intended as permanent residences);
 - c) residential development, including lot creation, where site conditions are suitable for the provision of appropriate *sewage and water services*;
2. Development that can be sustained by rural service levels should be promoted.
3. Development shall be appropriate to the *infrastructure* which is planned or available, and avoid the need for the uneconomical expansion of this *infrastructure*.
4. Planning authorities should support a diversified rural economy by protecting agricultural and other resource-related uses and directing non-related development to areas where it will minimize constraints on these uses.
5. New land uses, including the creation of lots, and new or expanding livestock facilities, shall comply with the *minimum distance separation formulae*.

3.3 Transportation and Infrastructure Corridors

3. Planning authorities shall not permit *development* in *planned corridors* that could preclude or negatively affect the use of the corridor for the purpose(s) for which it was identified. New *development* proposed on *adjacent lands* to existing or *planned corridors* and transportation facilities should be compatible with, and supportive of, the long-term purposes of the corridor and should be designed to avoid, or where avoidance is not possible, minimize and mitigate *negative impacts* on and *adverse effects* from the corridor and transportation facilities.

3.6 Sewage, Water and Stormwater

1. Planning authorities may allow lot creation where there is confirmation of sufficient *reserve sewage system capacity* and *reserve water system capacity*.

4.1 Natural Heritage

1. Natural features and areas shall be protected for the long term.

2. The diversity and connectivity of natural features in an area, and the long-term *ecological function* and biodiversity of *natural heritage systems*, should be maintained, restored or, where possible, improved, recognizing linkages between and among *natural heritage features and areas*, *surface water features* and *ground water features*.
3. *Natural heritage systems* shall be identified in Ecoregions 6E & 7E1, recognizing that *natural heritage systems* will vary in size and form in *settlement areas*, *rural areas*, and *prime agricultural areas*.
4. *Development and site alteration* shall not be permitted in:
 - a) *significant wetlands* in Ecoregions 5E, 6E and 7E1; and
 - b) *significant coastal wetlands*.
5. *Development and site alteration* shall not be permitted in:
 - a) *significant wetlands* in the Canadian Shield north of Ecoregions 5E, 6E and 7E1;
 - b) *significant woodlands* in Ecoregions 6E and 7E (excluding islands in Lake Huron and the St. Marys River)1;
 - c) *significant valleylands* in Ecoregions 6E and 7E (excluding islands in Lake Huron and the St. Marys River)1;
 - d) *significant wildlife habitat*;
 - e) *significant areas of natural and scientific interest*; and
 - f) *coastal wetlands* in Ecoregions 5E, 6E and 7E1 that are not subject to policy 4.1.4.b),

unless it has been demonstrated that there will be no *negative impacts* on the natural features or their *ecological functions*.
6. *Development and site alteration* shall not be permitted in *fish habitat* except in accordance with *provincial and federal requirements*.
7. *Development and site alteration* shall not be permitted in *habitat of endangered species and threatened species*, except in accordance with *provincial and federal requirements*.
8. *Development and site alteration* shall not be permitted on *adjacent lands* to the *natural heritage features and areas* identified in policies 4.1.4, 4.1.5, and 4.1.6 unless the *ecological function* of the *adjacent lands* has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no *negative impacts* on the natural features or on their *ecological functions*.

5.2 Natural Hazards

1. Planning authorities shall, in collaboration with conservation authorities where they exist, identify *hazardous lands* and *hazardous sites* and manage development in these areas, in accordance with provincial guidance.
2. Development shall generally be directed to areas outside of:
 - a) *hazardous lands* adjacent to the shorelines of the *Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River System* and *large inland lakes* which are impacted by *flooding hazards*, *erosion hazards* and/or *dynamic beach hazards*;
3. *Development and site alteration* shall not be permitted within:
 - a) the *dynamic beach hazard*;

OFFICIAL PLAN

The subject lands are primarily designated Rural in the Johnson Official Plan, however the northerly portion of the property is located in the Agricultural (A-2) designation.

The following policies from the Township's Official Plan have applicability to this application:

5.0 Rural Policy Area

Goal

- 5.1 To encourage activities relating to the management or use of resources, resource based recreational activities, limited residential development and other rural land uses.

Objectives

- 5.2 To ensure orderly and logical growth.
- 5.3 To conserve and protect natural and renewable resources.
- 5.4 To minimize incompatible land uses.
- 5.5 To minimize adverse environmental impacts.
- 5.6 To encourage optimum use of the land base along shoreline areas by encouraging a shift from development by severance to development by subdivision.
- 5.7 Within the Rural Policy Area, the following major land uses will be recognized:
1. Rural Residential;
 2. Seasonal Residential;
- 5.10 Rural residential and seasonal residential development will occur primarily through infilling on existing lots of record. Limited new rural residential and seasonal residential lots may be created through subdivision or consent, provided that they have frontage on a public road that is maintained year-round and can be adequately serviced. Where limited new rural residential and seasonal residential lots are proposed adjacent to a surface water feature, such as a lake, the proposed lots will maintain water quality and water quantity and not negatively impact fish habitat.

Seasonal Residential Development

- 5.22 Seasonal Residential Development shall be water oriented as well as consist of only single dwelling units. Seasonal residential dwellings are identified as a secondary place of residence and not the principal place of residence of the owner or occupier.
- 5.23 The minimum lot size for seasonal residential lots shall be 1 ha [2.47 ac].
- 5.24 Seasonal residential development may be permitted on public or private roads. Development on existing private roads shall be restricted to infill on existing lots of record in accordance with Section 8.9 and Section 8.18 of this Plan.
- 5.25 Seasonal residential development may be created by land severance or by plan of subdivision

although preference will be given to seasonal residential subdivisions to maximize the utilization of shoreline frontage.

- 5.27 Conversions of seasonal residential to rural residential will be discouraged unless located on a public road maintained year round by the municipality and where other municipal services are normally available.
- 5.28 Seasonal residential development along the shoreline of inland lakes (Diamond, Desbarats, Gordon, Caribou and Round only) may only be permitted where it is clearly demonstrated that such development does not have a negative impact on the water quality or the capacity of the lake to sustain such development.
- 5.29 Seasonal development will be designed to take advantage of topographic and natural features and other amenities which enhance siting of dwellings and which in particular minimize conflicts with resource uses. Reasonable evidence of the suitability of seasonal residential lots for private water and sewage services will be required (see also Section 2.8-11).
- 9.9 New development, including subdivisions, shall front on an improved public road maintained year-round. Frontage on a public road may be exempted for an approved condominium development with an internal road system with intersects with a public road or for the infill of seasonal residential dwellings on existing lots of record on existing private roads.

Provincial Highways

- 9.11 Highway 17 is recognized as being subject to provincial highway access controls. Access to individual properties is restricted or prohibited depending on the highway classification and is governed by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario. Subject to controls under the Public Transportation and Highway Improvements Act, alternative means of access to properties along Highway 17 may be required such as from an intersecting Township road or service road. Restrictions also apply to signs and land uses adjacent to this highway, Prior approval of the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario, will be required.

Private Roads

- 9.18 Except for condominium developments, new private roads shall not be permitted.

ZONING BY-LAW

The subject lands are zoned Seasonal Residential (SR), Rural (R) and Agricultural (A-2) in the Township's Zoning By-law.

The Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone requires a minimum lot area of 1 ha and a minimum lot frontage of 50 metres.

The subject lands are currently occupied by a seasonal dwelling and a guest cabin as well as a tennis court. It is also noted that the subject lands were authorized to construct one garden suite in 2018, however the garden suite has not been constructed.

MTO ENTRANCE PERMIT

The owner has obtained an entrance permit from the MTO to construct the new entrance from Highway 17 for the private road (Permit No. EN-2024-50S-00000052 V1).

Township staff have also consulted with the MTO with respect to the applicant's objective to create three new shoreline lots and the MTO has indicated they are aware of and do not object to the owner's lot creation proposal.

ANALYSIS

The land subject to the proposed Amendment currently utilize a registered right-of-way over a private road for access which is located on the abutting easterly property and is known as Thompson Drive (see Figure 2). Thompson Drive currently provides access to three parcels of land including the owner of the land traversed by Thompson Drive.

The land subject to the proposed Amendment are jointly owned by three family members who are seeking to construct their own driveway over their own property which can subsequently be registered as a right-of-way to accommodate access to three new shoreline lots. The intention being to convey the lots to each member of the family.

Although the Township's Official Plan permits the creation of new lots accessed by an existing private road, the prohibition in the Township's Official Plan over the creation of new private roads is definitive. In part this is premised on the notion that the preferred form of road access is by a maintained public road, whereas private roads have the potential to become a burden and/or liability to the Township and on occasion can lead to undesirable planning outcomes.

In the case of this proposal, the new road and proposed lots are well-removed from the highway corridor and will not have a discernable impact on the traffic accessing this area of the shoreline as it will merely diminish the use of the existing Thompson Drive. Furthermore, the extent of lot creation proposed is neither excessive nor out of character in this location of the shoreline. Finally, by virtue of the issuance of the entrance permit, the MTO is supportive of the proposed entrance and new driveway and communications with the MTO suggest they have no objection to the limited lot creation that is proposed in conjunction with the new road. On this basis, I am of the opinion that proposed amendment addresses Section 3.3.3 of the PPS, which requires that development not preclude or negatively affect the planned function of the highway corridor.

On the issue of natural heritage protection, the subject lands do not appear to be characterized by natural features such as wetlands or watercourses, but to ensure Section 4.1 of the PPS is addressed I have prepared a draft OPA that would require the preparation of a site evaluation report and impact assessment in conjunction with any application for consent.

On balance I find the proposed road to represent a logical means of access and I find the proposed lot creation it would support to be limited and within an appropriate location to accommodate resource-based recreational use.

This is a preliminary report to inform Council of the proposed amendment. The approval of an OPA rests with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Section 22 (1)(a) of the Planning Act requires consultation with MMAH prior to the adoption of an OPA. On this basis, of Council is supportive of the proposed OPA in principle, it is recommended that Council receive the application for OPA, as well as this report and draft OPA and direct staff to circulate these materials to MMAH for consultation purposes in accordance with the Planning Act.

RECOMMENDATION

If Council concurs with the analysis of this report the following recommendations are provided for Council's consideration:

2. That this report be received; and,
3. That the application for OPA submitted for lands located at Part Lot 5, Concession 4, described legally as Part 1, Plan 1R-2351, together with Part of Lot 5, Concession 3, and Part of Lot 4, Concession 4. be received and forwarded to MMAH for review and comment together with the planning report and the draft OPA prepared by the Township's planning consultant.

Respectfully Submitted,



Chris Jones MCIP, RPP

**AMENDMENT NO. 6
TO THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON
OFFICIAL PLAN**

This Amendment applies to:

Lands legally described as:

Part Lot 5, Concession 4, described legally as Part 1, Plan 1R-2351 and Part of Lot 5, Concession 3, all of which is located in Plan 58, Hinck's Location, Township of Johnson in the District of Algoma.

(First Draft - December 13, 2024)

CONSTITUTIONAL STATEMENT

The following Amendment to the Official Plan of the Township of Johnson consists of three parts.

Part A - The Preamble, consisting of the purpose, location and basis of the Amendment, does not constitute part of this Amendment.

Part B - The Amendment consisting of the noted text and Schedule A-1 constitutes Amendment No. 6 to the Official Plan for the Township of Johnson.

Part C - The Appendices.

PART A - THE PREAMBLE

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Official Plan Amendment is to identify a new private road and create a Special Policy that would allow for the creation of three new shoreline lots to be used for resource-based recreational use.

LOCATION

The Amendment is site specific in nature and affects lands described as Part Lot 5, Concession 4, described legally as Part 1, Plan 1R-2351 and Part of Lot 5, Concession 3, all of which is located in Plan 58, Hinck's Location, Township of Johnson as shown on Schedule A attached hereto and forming part of this Amendment.

BASIS

The basis for the amendment is fundamentally derived from the following:

1. Section 2.5 of the Provincial Planning Statement (2024), which encourages municipalities to develop healthy, integrated and viable rural areas by leveraging rural amenities and assets.
2. Section 2.6 of the Provincial Planning Statement (2024), which permits the development of resource-based recreational uses in rural areas.
3. Section 3.3.3 of the PPS as the proposed Amendment will not affect the planned highway corridor and will not preclude or negatively impact the use of the corridor.
4. Section 4.1 of the PPS as policy criteria are proposed to address the assess natural heritage features and ensure their protection from site alteration or development.
5. The extent of development that would be facilitate by this Amendment is limited in nature, appropriate for the location, and will have no impact surrounding uses.

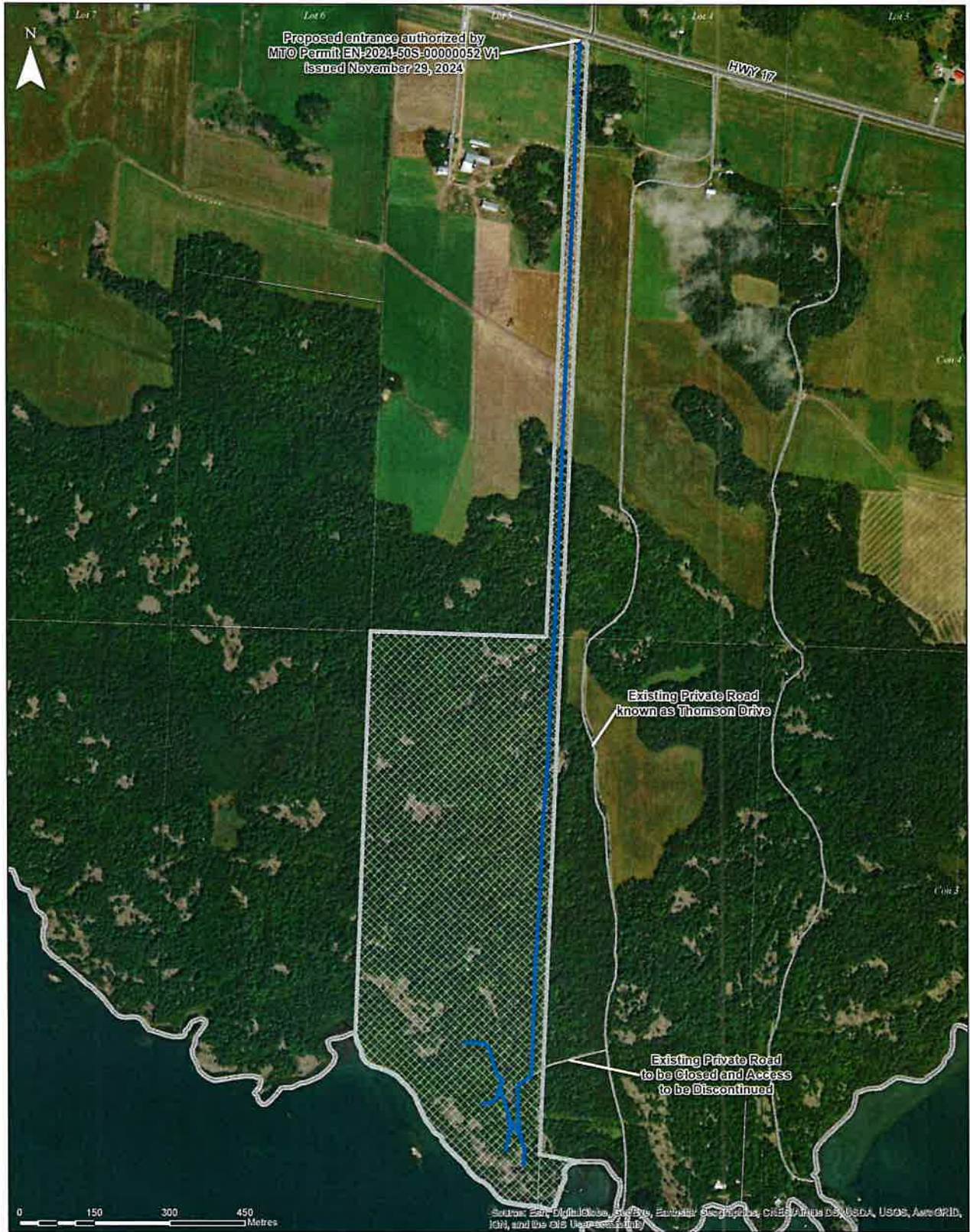
PART B – THE AMENDMENT

1. Schedule A to the Township of Johnson Official Plan, is hereby amended by adding a new "Private Road" to lands located in Part Lot 5, Concession 4, described legally as Part 1, Plan 1R-2351 and Part of Lot 5, Concession 3, all of which is located in Plan 58, Hinck's Location, Township of Johnson, as shown on Schedule A attached hereto and forming part of this Amendment.
2. And Furthermore, Section xx to the Official Plan for the Township of Johnson is amended by adding the following new policy after Section 9.18:
 1. Notwithstanding Sections 5.24, 9.18, lands located in Part Lot 5, Concession 4, described legally as Part 1, Plan 1R-2351 and Part of Lot 5, Concession 3, all of which is located in Plan 58, Hinck's Location, Township of Johnson shall be permitted to create up to 3 new shoreline lots on a new private road by consent to sever for the purpose of resource-based recreational use subject to the following criteria:
 - a) The lots shall have a minimum shoreline frontage of 100 metres and a minimum lot area of 1 ha;
 - b) Any application for consent shall be accompanied by a Site Evaluation Report to confirm if any natural heritage features, significant wildlife habitat, fish habitat or the habitat of endangered or threatened species are present on the lands proposed to be severed. Where such features are confirmed by the Site Evaluation Report, a supplemental Environmental Impact Study shall be completed to assess the impact of development and recommend restrictions and/or mitigation measures;
 - c) Any application for consent shall be accompanied by a confirmation from the septic system approval authority or a qualified professional that the propose lots can accommodate a Class 4 septic system;
 - d) The severed and retained lands shall be zoned in a manner that authorizes seasonal residential use and addresses any restrictions or regulations as recommended by the Site Evaluation Report; and,
 - e) The applicant enters into a Consent Agreement to the satisfaction of the Township for the purpose of maintaining a natural shoreline in accordance with Section 2.35.4 and to formalize responsibilities for long-term maintenance and liability related to the private road.

PART C - THE APPENDICES

1. Preliminary Planning Report dated December 13, 2024.
2. MTO Entrance Permit EN-2024-50S-00000052 V1.

Schedule 'A'
Official Plan Amendment
Johnson Township
Part of Lot 5, Concessions 3 & 4



 subject to Special Policy xxx

 New Private Road



RESOLUTION FORM

Resolution or By-Law No _____

Date: December 18, 2024

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL _____ that the January regular Council meeting be on January 22, 2024 instead of January 15, 2024 due to the holiday break.

Conflict of Interest For Against Absent

RECORDED VOTE: _____	E. McKinnon	_____	_____	_____	_____
DEFEATED: _____	J. Kern	_____	_____	_____	_____
TABLED: _____	G. Grant	_____	_____	_____	_____
WITHDRAWN: _____	K. Stobie	_____	_____	_____	_____
DEFERRED: _____	R. McKinnon	_____	_____	_____	_____
CARRIED: _____					

MAYOR: _____
Reg McKinnon

CLERK/CAO: _____
Janet Maguire

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234-2024-5801

December 12, 2024

Dear Head of Council,

I am pleased to inform you of the introduction of the proposed Municipal Accountability Act, 2024 on December 12, 2024, which, if passed, would make changes to the *Municipal Act, 2001* and *City of Toronto Act, 2006* to strengthen the municipal code of conduct and integrity commissioner framework.

I appreciate the valuable feedback we have received from municipalities and share your commitment to safe and respectful workplaces. The proposed changes, if passed, would:

- enable the creation of a standard municipal code of conduct and standard municipal integrity commissioner investigation processes to help ensure consistency across all Ontario municipalities;
- create a role for the Integrity Commissioner of Ontario in municipal code of conduct and integrity commissioner matters, including providing training to municipal integrity commissioners; and
- establish a mechanism to remove and disqualify members of council and certain local boards for a period of four years for the most serious code of conduct violations following a recommendation from the local integrity commissioner, a concurring report from the Integrity Commissioner of Ontario, and a unanimous vote of council.

In the coming months, I will want to hear your feedback on the Bill as well as other matters regarding local accountability regimes. I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference, where we will have the opportunity to discuss these changes and other matters of importance to your communities.

If passed, important work to develop the regulations to support this new framework would lie ahead, and I remain committed to engaging with you throughout that process. Our intention is to have these changes in effect for the new term of councils beginning in Fall 2026 to ensure there is adequate opportunity for local implementation.

For more information on these amendments, please see the [news release](#). To share your comments on the proposed legislation, please see a posting on the [Regulatory Registry](#) that will be open for comments for 60 days.

If you have any questions regarding these new provisions, please contact your local [Municipal Services Office](#) with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul Calandra', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Hon. Paul Calandra
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

- c: Jessica Lippert, Chief of Staff
- Owen Macri, Deputy Chief of Staff
- Martha Greenberg, Deputy Minister
- Caspar Hall, Assistant Deputy Minister, Local Government Division
- Sean Fraser, Assistant Deputy Minister, Municipal Services Division
- Municipal Clerks and CAOs



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON

BY-LAW 2024-1126

BEING A BY-LAW to confirm proceedings of the meeting of Council on December 18th, 2024.

WHEREAS 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 by-law;

THE COUNCIL of THE CORPORATION of JOHNSON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the action of the Council at its meeting December 18th, 2024, 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 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 December, 2024.

Mayor _____
Reg McKinnon

Seal

Clerk/CAO _____
Janet Maguire