AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL MONDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2015 7:00 P.M.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
160 WATER STREET
MATTAWA, ONTARIO

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA A G E N D A

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 160 WATER STREET MATTAWA, ONTARIO

MONDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof
- 3. Petitions & Delegations
- 3.1 Allan Donnan Re: Junior 'A' Blackhawks
- 4. Correspondence
- 4.1 Ministry of Energy Re: Government to Proceed with Offering Shares in Hydro One Electricity, Gas & Telephone Services Committee Clerk
- 4.2 Cassellholme Re: 2015 Municipal Levy Finance Committee Clerk
- 4.3 Grant Thornton Re: 2015 Federal Budget Summary Finance Committee Clerk
- 4.4 Township of Papineau Cameron Re: Highway 17 Planning Study Update Transportation Services Committee Clerk
- 4.5 OPP Re: OPP Policing Services Expires June 30, 2015 Protection to Persons & Property Committee Clerk
- 4.6 AMO Re: Federal Budget Provides New Public Transit Fund, Limited Housing Support General Government Services Committee Fire Chief
- 4.7 Blue Sky Region Re: Municipal Digitization Project Update General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 4.8 OGRA Re: Government Announces New Connecting Links Program Transportation Services Committee Clerk
- 4.9 FONOM Re: Connecting Links to Receive Funding Support from Province Transportation Services Committee Clerk
- 4.10 AMO Re: Release of Premier's Advisory Council on Government Assets Reports General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 4.11 OPP Re: Expansion of Citizen Self-Reporting Program, Text With 911 Initiative Protection to Persons & Property Committee Clerk

Monday, April 27, 2015 Correspondence – Cont'd

- 4.12 Ernie Hardeman, MPP Re: Housing Services Corporation Accountability Act General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 4.13 Township of Perry Re: AMCTO Zone 7 Meeting May 13 15, 2015 General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 4.14 Mattawa District Walleye Stocking Re: Request Donation for Walleye Hatchery Finance Committee Clerk
- 4.15 Stewardship Ontario Re: March Payment for Municipal Blue Box Recycling 2014 Year Environmental Services Committee Clerk
- 4.16 E. S. C Elisabeth-Bruyere Re: Graduation Bursary
 Recreation, Tourism & Special Projects Committee Director of Recreation, Tourism & Special Projects Committee
- 4.17 AMO Re: Effective Open & Closed Meetings Workshop General Government Services Committee – Clerk
- 4.18 AMO Re: Weekly Watch File for April 9, 2015 General Government Services Committee – Clerk
- 4.19 OMERS Re: No Changes to Benefits or Contribution Rates in 2015 General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 4.20 FONOM Re: LAS AMO 2015 Information "Town Hall" Sessions General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 4.21 Township of Madawaska Valley Re: Hydro Rate Resolution General Government Services Committee Clerk
- 5. Questions/Comments (public & Council) about the Content of the Agenda
- 6. Municipal Report Number 710
 - Minutes of Previous Meeting (s)
 - Presentation of By-laws/Resolutions
 - Adoption of Report
- 7. Committee Reports
- 8. Questions from the Floor
- 9. New/Old Business

Monday, April 27, 2015 Correspondence – Cont'd

- 10. 2/3 (Special Resolutions not previously circulated)
- 11. In Camera (Closed)
- 11.1 Personnel Matter
- 12. Return to Regular Session
- 13. Adjournment

Members of Council,

Attached please find Municipal Report Number 710 for consideration by Council.

Respectfully submitted

Francine Desormeau Clerk (Interim)

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THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

Draft By-Law	_ <u>X</u> Item	Policy Recommendation
TITLE:	ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES	
DEPT. HEAD:	FRANCINE DESORMEAU, INTER	IM CLERK
CHAIRPERSON:	COUNCILLOR L. MICK	
COMMITTEE:	GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVI	ICES

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

It is respectfully recommended to Council that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday April 13, 2015 and Special Meeting of Monday April 20, 2015 be adopted as circulated.

Councillor L. Mick

The minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Monday, April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Backer

Councillor C. Lacelle Councillor G. Thibert Councillor G. Larose Councillor L. Mick Councillor C. Bastien Jr. Councillor D. Sarrazin

Francine Desormeau, Interim Clerk

*When a recorded vote is requested and the minutes indicate the recorded vote was "Unanimous" it means all Councillors present and noted above voted in favour unless otherwise indicated.

- 1. Meeting Called to Order
- 2. No Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof None Declared
- 3. Petitions & Delegations
- 3.1 Mr. Reg Belanger, local contractor, made a presentation to Council with his concerns to the Water Treatment Plant Roof Repair Contract.
- 4. Correspondence
- 5. No Questions/Comments about the Content of the Agenda
- 6. Municipal Report Number 709

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It is respectfully recommended to Council that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday March 23, 2015, Special Meeting of Tuesday March 24, 2015, Special Meeting of Thursday March 26, 2015, Special Meeting of Monday March 30, 2015 and Special Meeting of Thursday April 9, 2015 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

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That the disbursements for the month of March 2015 in the amount of \$464,531.68 be adopted as submitted.

Carried

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That the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law 15-14 which will establish a Property Standards Committee for the Town of Mattawa and that Councillors Garry Larose, Clifford Bastien Jr. and Lorne Mick are named to the Committee and shall be appointed for the remainder of the term of Council.

Withdrawn with the approval of Council

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It is therefore recommended that the Corporation Town of Mattawa provide \$250.00 towards the new Baseball program.

Carried

Page No. 90

That the Town of Mattawa approve By-law 15-15 which is a By-law authorizing the signing of an agreement with Kenalex Construction Company Limited at a contract price of \$1,599,429.49 for the Brydges Street Water and Sewer Renewal Project.

Carried

Resolution Number 15-51
Moved by Councillor G. Thibert
Seconded by Councillor G. Larose

That the Municipal Report Number 709 be adopted Carried

- 7. Committee Reports
- 8. Questions from the Floor
- 9. New/Old Business
- 10. 2/3 (Special Resolutions not previously circulated)
- 11. In Camera (Closed) Session

Mayor Backer declared a conflict of interest for the in-camera session and removed himself from Council Chambers.

Resolution Number 15-52

Moved by Councillor C. Bastien, Jr.

Seconded by Councillor G. Thibert

2/3 That this Council proceed in Camera to address a matter pertaining to Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

Carried

Resolution Numbers 15-53

Moved by Councillor C. Bastien, Jr.

Seconded by Councillor G. Thibert

2/3 That the special meeting reconvene from the In Camera session at 10:15 p.m. Carried

Councillor Lacelle stated that the in-camera session was to finalize procedures for the CEO interviews process.

12. Return to Regular Session

Resolution Number 15-54

Moved by Councillor C. Bastien, Jr.

Seconded by Councillor L. Mick

2/3 Be it resolved that Council hereby establishes the position of a Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for the Town of Mattawa. Council directs staff to prepare a By-law which will formally establish the Chief Administrative Officer position and outline the duties and powers of the position.

Carried

Resolution Number 15-55

Moved by Councillor G. Thibert

Seconded by Councillor G. Larose

2/3 Be it resolved that Council direct Francine Desormeau, Clerk, to offer the Chief Administrative Officer position to the selected candidate which is conditional upon its acceptance. Further, that staff formalize an employment contract which will outline the terms and conditions of the employment offer and return to Council to formalize the hiring of the new CAO along with an appropriate By-law.

Carried

Mayor Backer re-convened into the regular meeting

Resolution Number 15-56 Moved by Councillor C. Lacelle Seconded by Councillor L. Mick

- 2/3 Be it resolved that Council direct staff to seek a legal opinion in the David Beauchamp matter and contact Mr. Sandro Orlando in the matter.

 Carried
- 13. Adjournment

The regular meeting of Council Monday, April 13th, 2015 adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Mayor
1.14.
 Clerk

The minutes of the special meeting of Council held Monday, April 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor D. Backer

Councillor C. Lacelle Councillor G. Thibert Councillor G. Larose** Councillor C. Bastien Jr. Councillor D. Sarrazin

Francine Desormeau, Clerk (Interim)

*When a recorded vote is requested and the minutes indicate the recorded vote was "Unanimous" it means all Councillors present and noted above voted in favour unless otherwise indicated.

- 2. Meeting Called to Order
- 2. No Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof (None)
- 3. Committee Reports

** Councillor Larose arrived for the meeting at 7:05 pm during the discussion of item 3.1 Arena Zamboni Repairs.

- 3.1 Arena Zamboni Repairs
 Jacques Begin, Director of Recreation, Tourism & Special Projects, explained to
 Council the need to have the Arena Zamboni repaired.
- 3.2 Water Treatment Plant Roof Repair Contract
 Marc Mathon, Public Works Superintendent, explained to Council his version of
 events that occurred for the Water Treatment Plant Roof Repairs Contract.

Mayor Backer declared a conflict of interest on 3.3 Establish Chief Administrative Officer Position

3.3 Establish Chief Administrative Officer Position

Mayor Backer declared a conflict of interest for the in camera session 4.1 CEO Selection process and removed himself for the in camera session

4. In Camera (Closed Session)

Resolution Number 15-57

Moved by Councillor C. Bastien, Jr.

Seconded by Councillor D. Sarrazin

2/3 That this Council proceed in Camera to address a matter pertaining to Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;

Carried

Mayor Backer jointed the in camera session at 10:16 p.m. for the discussion of 4.2 Litigation Matter and 4.3 Personnel Matter

Resolution Numbers 15-58

Moved by Councillor C. Bastien, Jr.

Seconded by Councillor D. Sarrazin

2/3 That the special meeting reconvene from the In Camera session at 10:54 p.m. Carried

Councillor Lacelle stated the in-camera session was to finalize the CEO Selection Process, a Litigation Matter and a Personnel Matter.

- 5. Return to Regular Session
- 6. Presentation of By-law/Resolutions/2/3 Special Resolutions:

Resolution Number 15-59

Moved by Councillor D. Sarrazin

Seconded by Councillor C. Lacelle

2/3 It is therefore recommended that the Corporation Town of Mattawa carry out the repairs to the zamboni at an upset limit cost of \$10,000.00

Carried

7. Adjournment

The special meeting of Council Monday, April 20, 2015 adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

 Mayor	
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Clerk	

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THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: FINANCE

CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR C. LACELLE

DEPT. HEAD: FRANCINE DESORMEAU, INTERIM CLERK

TITLE: GROUP OF FOUR POLICING SERVICES CONTRACT

_____Draft By-Law _____ X _ Item _____ Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

The Group of Four area municipalities (Mattawa, Mattawan, Calvin and Papineau-Cameron) attended a meeting hosted by the municipality of Calvin on April 7, 2015 in order to discuss possible future policing services contract arrangements and billing options available under the new Ontario Provincial Police billing model which was implemented January 1, 2015.

All four member municipalities have agreed to a four year contract under the Section 10 Police Services Act contract option with no enhancements. Under the new billing model, municipalities may choose between two types of contracts, one with enhancements or one without.

The group agreed, in principle, to a four year contract commencing July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019 which would give the new term of Council time to renew the contract after the 2018 municipal elections.

Therefore, it is recommended:

Recommendation:

That the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa, in collaboration with the Mattawa Group of Four municipalities (Corporation of the Town of Mattawa, Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan, Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin and the Corporation of the Township of Papineau-Cameron) enter into a contract agreement (Section 10 PSA) with the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services for the provision of Police Services by the Ontario Provincial Police for a four year term with no enhancements. Be it further resolved that upon the passing of similar resolutions by each of the member municipalities a By-law be prepared authorizing the signing of a four-year contract agreement beginning July 1, 2015.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor C. Lacelle

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THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL

CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR C. LACELLE

DEPT. HEAD: FRANCINE DESORMEAU, INTERIM CLERK

TITLE: ESTABLISH CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER POSITION

15-16 Draft By-Law ____ Item ____ Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

At the April 13th, 2015 regular meeting of Council, Resolution Number 15-54 was adopted which stated:

"Be it resolved that Council hereby establishes the position of a Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for the Town of Mattawa. Council directs staff to prepare a By-law which will formally establish the Chief Administrative Officer position and outline the duties and powers of the position.

Attached as per Schedule "A" to this By-law is the Chief Administrative Officer job description for the Town of Mattawa which outlines the duties and powers of this newly created position.

This CAO position replaces the former Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer position.

Therefore the following is recommended:

Recommendation:

That Council of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-law 15-16 which formally establishes the Chief Administrative Officer position, attached as Schedule "A" and forming part of this by-law.

Respectfully recommended

Councillor C. Lacelle

BY-LAW NUMBER 15-16

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA TO ESTABLISH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER POSITION AND OUTLINE THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE POSITION.

WHEREAS Section 229 of the Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, provides that Council may appoint a Chief Administrative Officer who shall be responsible for:

- a) Exercising general control and management of the affairs of the municipality for the purpose of ensuring the efficient operation of the municipality; and
- b) Performing such other duties as are assigned by the municipality.

AND WHEREAS Council deems it proper and expedient to establish the job description for the Chief Administrative Officer position and define the duties, powers, authority and responsibilities thereof; and

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Mattawa hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. That By-law Number 86-35 is hereby repealed.
- 2. That the attached job description, Schedule "A", be adopted as the Chief Administrative Officer position for the Town of Mattawa.

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READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED this	day of	, 2015.
		Mayor
		Cl. 4
		Clerk

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THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL

CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR C. LACELLE

DEPT. HEAD: FRANCINE DESORMEAU, INTERIM CLERK

TITLE: HIRING OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL TREASURER

15-17 Draft By-Law ____ Item ____ Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

Due to the retirements of senior staff in the municipal administration office, Council advertised for a new Chief Executive Officer position earlier this year (January 9th, Resolution No. 15-09).

A little over fifty applications were received for the position. The Hiring Committee consisted of six council members, Garry Thibert, Garry Larose, Lorne Mick, Clifford Bastien, Jr., Dexture Sarrazin, and myself Corey Lacelle, Personnel Chairperson. Mayor Dean Backer declared a Conflict of Interest for the interview process. The Hiring Committee reviewed the applications and selected ten suitable candidates to be interviewed.

Interviews were conducted for the applicants on Tuesday, March 24 and Thursday March 26, 2015 and a second interview stage was also conducted for a total of four applicants on Thursday, April 9, 2015.

At the regular meeting of April 13, 2015 Council adopted Resolution Number 15-54 to direct staff to prepare a By-law to establish the position of Chief Administrative Officer (title changed from CEO to CAO to be in accordance with the Municipal Act) for the municipality (By-law 15-16 of this Agenda).

Also, at their regular meeting of April 13, 2015 Council adopted Resolution Number 15-55 which stated:

"Be it resolved that Council direct Francine Desormeau, Clerk, to offer the Chief Administrative Officer position to the selected candidate which is conditional upon its acceptance. Further, that staff formalize an employment contract which will outline the terms and conditions of the employment offer and return to Council to formalize the hiring of the new CAO along with an appropriate By-law."

The selected candidate was offered the position as per the attached letter of offer, known as Schedule "A" and forming part of this By-law.

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Mr. Raymond Belanger, be appointed by By-law as Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer effective April 28, 2015 as per his letter of offer of employment, Schedule "A" which is attached and forms part of this By-law.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor C. Lacelle

BY-LAW 15-17

BEING a By-law to appoint Mr. Raymond Belanger as Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer for the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa.

WHEREAS subsection 229 of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that a Council of the Town of Mattawa may pass a by-law to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer who shall be responsible for:

- a) Exercising general control and management of the affairs of the municipality for the purpose of ensuring the efficient operation of the municipality; and
- b) Performing such other duties as are assigned by the municipality.

AND WHEREAS subsection 286(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 requires that Council of the Town of Mattawa shall appoint a Treasurer who is responsible for handling all of the financial affairs of the municipality on behalf of and in the manner directed by the council of the municipality, including:

- a) Collecting money payable to the municipality and issuing receipts for those payments;
- b) Depositing all money received on behalf of the municipality in a financial institution designated by the municipality;
- c) Paying all debts of the municipality and other expenditures authorized by the municipality;
- d) Maintaining accurate records and accounts of the financial affairs of the municipality;
- e) Providing the council with such information with respect to the financial affairs of the municipality as it requires or requests;
- f) Ensuring investments of the municipality are made in compliance with the regulations made under section 418.

AND WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer for the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa enacts as follows:

- 1. That Raymond Belanger be and hereby is appointed as Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer effective April 28, 2015 as per offer of employment which is attached as Schedule "A".
- 2. That Raymond Belanger shall exercise all the authority, powers and rights and shall perform all the duties and obligations as the Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer which by statute or by by-law are or may be conferred or imposed upon and any other duties that may be imposed by Council.
- 3. That Raymond Belanger shall hold these appointments until such time as Council deems necessary and is subject to the by-laws of the Corporation.
- 4. That the Chief Administrative Officer job description, Schedule "B", be attached and form part of this appointment By-law.

5. This By-law shall come into force on the date of passing thereof.			
READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED this	day of		, 2015.
		Mayor	
		Clerk	

THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: BY-LAW DEPARTMENT

CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR G. LAROSE

DEPT. HEAD: WAYNE CHAPUT

TITLE: DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT (BY-LAW TRUCK)

____ Draft By-Law _X_ Item ____ Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

With the 2014 acquisition of a newer By-Law pickup truck, the 2010 Ford Ranger, the 2003 GMC Sonoma pickup truck has become surplus. It is recommended that this truck be deemed surplus and an ad be placed in the Mattawa Recorder and on the municipal website calling for bids. It is proposed that a minimum bid of \$500 for the pickup truck be included in the advertisement.

Recommendation:

That Council authorize staff to place an advertisement in the Mattawa Recorder and on the municipal website calling for bids for the disposal of the 2003 GMC Pickup truck with a minimum bid of \$500.00 and return to Council with the results for consideration.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor G. Larose

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THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY
CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR G. LAROSE

DEPT. HEAD: FRANCINE DESORMEAU, INTERIM CLERK

TITLE: AMENDMENT OF PROPERTY STANDARDS BY-LAW 2008-24

15-18 Draft By-law _____Item _____ Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

The Town of Mattawa Property Standards By-Law No. 08-24 more specifically Section 51 and Section 15.6. of the Building Code Act, S.O. 1992, c 23. requires that a Property Standards Committee consisting of no fewer than three residents from the municipality be established. In past experience Council members were appointed to sit on the Property Standards Committee. In a recent meeting Council discussed and expressed interest in having residents make up the committee instead of Council members, By-law No. 08-24 Section 51(2) states "Three (3) persons, being members of Council shall constitute and thereby be appointed as members of the Property Standards Committee". In order to allow residents to sit on this committee, By-Law No. 08-24, Section 51(2) will have to be amended.

Recommendation:

That the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 15-18 which will amend Section 51(2) of By-Law No. 08-24 that will allow residents of the Town of Mattawa to be appointed as members of the Property Standards Committee.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor G. Larose

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA BY-LAW NO. 15-18

BEING a By-Law to amend By-Law No 08-24 which prescribes standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property within the Town of Mattawa.

WHEREAS Section 15.1 (3) of the Building Code Act, S.O. 1992, c 23, as amended provides for Municipal Council of the Town of Mattawa to pass By-Laws prescribing the standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property within the municipality provided the Official Plan for the municipality includes provisions relating to property conditions.

NOW	THEREFORE the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa	enacts as follows:	
1.	That Section 51(2) is hereby deleted and the following i	nserted in lieu thereof:	
	"51(2) Three (3) persons being residents of the municip appointed as members of the Property Standards Comm	•	be
2.	That Section 51Property Standards Committee be amend	ded to add the following:	
	"51(8) Council shall forthwith fill any vacancy that occurrent committee."	urs in the membership of the	
3.	This By-Law shall come into force and take effect upon	the date of passing.	
READ	, PASSED AND ADOPTED this day of	, 2015.	
	<u>-</u>	Mayor	
		Mayor	

Clerk

Date: MONDAY APRIL 27TH, 2015 Page No: 103

THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: SOCIAL & FAMILY SERVICES

CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR C. BASTIEN, JR.

DEPT. HEAD: FRANCINE DESORMEAU, INTERIM CLERK

TITLE: DECLARATION OF JUNE AS SENIORS MONTH

____ Draft By-Law _X_ Item ____ Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

In the correspondence section of the April 13, 2015 agenda, a letter (4.32) from the Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs, the Honourable Mario Sergio, requested that communities proclaim the entire month of June as Seniors' Month.

Whereas Seniors' Month is an annual province-wide celebration;

Whereas seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community and whereas their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told;

Whereas the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community and whereas the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all therefore the following is recommended:

Recommendation:

That Council hereby proclaims the entire month of June to be Seniors' Month in the Town of Mattawa and encourages all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Respectfully recommended

Councillor C. Bastien, Jr.