

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held Monday, January 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present: Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner
Councillor Dexture Sarrazin
Councillor Fern Levesque
Councillor Loren Mick
Councillor Laura Ross
Councillor Garry Thibert

Staff Present: Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer
Amy Leclerc, Municipal Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk
Sabrina Poullas, Front Counter Clerk/Lottery Licence Officer
Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor

*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

Meeting Called to Order by Deputy Mayor Gardiner at 6:00 p.m. and then went over some points for conducting a Council meeting from the new procedure by-law policy.

2. Announce Electronic Participants

3. Adoption of Agenda

3.1 To Adopt the agenda as presented or amended

Resolution Number 24-01

Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting agenda dated Monday, January 8, 2024 be adopted.

CARRIED – unanimous

4. Disclosures of a Conflict of Interest

5. Presentations and Delegations

6. Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Regular Meeting of November 27, 2023

6.2 Special Meeting of November 29, 2023

6.3 Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 18, 2023

Deputy Mayor Gardiner advised of a clerical error on Item # 6.3 Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 18, 2023 within the minutes Item # 3.4 is the same as 3.3 and requires correcting. He advised the Clerk earlier and the revision will be made.

Resolution Number 24-02

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick

Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 27, 2023, the Special Meeting of Wednesday, November 29, 2023 and the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Monday, December 18, 2023 as presented and amended.

CARRIED – unanimous

7. Notice of Motions

8. Correspondence

- 8.1 Municipality of Wawa – Resolution Supporting Amending Income Tax Act for Volunteer Firefighters

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.1 and will be supported at the next meeting.

- 8.2 Municipality of Shuniah – Resolution to Enhance Enforcement of Excessive & Unnecessary Noise from Engine Brakes

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.2 and will be supported at the next meeting.

- 8.3 Lucille Zeus – Homelessness

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.3

- 8.4 Hydro One – Otto Holden Station Modernization & New Antoine Transformer Station

- 8.5 Town of Aurora – Homelessness Crisis

- 8.6 Mattawa Aviation – Proposed Aerodrome Modification at CMA2

- 8.7 Mattawa Wellness Life Enrichment – Senior Community Exercise Program Update

9. Standing Committee Recommendations/Reports – Motions

10. Staff Reports – Motions

- 10.1 2024 Conference – Report # 24-01R

The Interim CAO/Treasurer spoke to his report provided to Council at which time Council discussed the 2024 conference and were advised to reach out to the Interim CAO/Treasurer if they wish to attend any conference.

Resolution Number 24-03

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 24-01R titled 2024 Conferences.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the attendance of Mayor, Councillors and staff to attend the conferences of ROMA, OSUM, FONOM and AMO and direct the attendees to notify the Interim CAO/Treasurer for all conference arrangements.

CARRIED – unanimous

11. By-Laws

11.1 By-Law 24-01 – Committee of Adjustment Members

BEING a by-law to appoint members to the Committee of Adjustment for the year 2024

Resolution Number 24-04

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 24-01 which is a by-law to appoint members to the Committee of Adjustment for the year 2024.

CARRIED – unanimous

11.2 By-Law 24-02 – Borrowing with Bank of Nova Scotia

BEING a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Bank of Nova Scotia for borrowing of funds if required

Resolution Number 24-05

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 24-02 which is a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Bank of Nova Scotia for borrowing of funds if required.

CARRIED – unanimous

11.3 By-Law 24-03 – Interim Tax Levy

BEING a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy for 2024

Resolution Number 24-06

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick

Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 24-03 which is a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy for 2024.

CARRIED – unanimous

12. Old Business

13. New Business

13.1 2024 Mattawa Voyageur Days

Council spoke to 2024 Mattawa Voyageur Days being the 25th festival and the majority of Council supported the festival returning this year and requested staff to return with a plan and begin applying for grants.

14. Questions from Public Pertaining to Agenda

15. In Camera (Closed) Session

15.1 CAO/Treasurer Update

In accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2)(b)

b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

Resolution Number 24-07

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council proceed in Camera at 6:35 pm in order to address a matter pertaining to: b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED – unanimous

16. Return to Regular Session

Resolution Number 24-08

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert

Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene at 6:47 p.m.

CARRIED – unanimous

Deputy Mayor Gardiner advised that the closed session was to discuss the CAO/Treasurer with regards to personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees.

17. Motions Resulting from Closed Session

18. Adjournment

18.1 Adjournment of the meeting

Resolution Number 24-09

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the January 8, 2024 Council meeting adjourn at 6:48 p.m.

CARRIED – unanimous

**Approved Minutes as Certified by
the Municipal Clerk**

