

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held Monday January 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger  
Councillor Mathew Gardiner  
Councillor Fern Levesque  
Councillor Loren Mick (Virtual)  
Councillor Laura Ross  
Councillor Garry Thibert  
Councillor Spener Bigelow (Virtual)

Staff Present: Amy Leclerc, Municipal Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk  
Paul Laperriere, CAO/Treasurer  
Dexture Sarrazin, Director of Community Services

\*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. Announce Electronic Participants

## 3. Adoption of Agenda

### 3.1 To Adopt the agenda as presented or amended

#### **Resolution Number 26-11**

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross

Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting agenda dated Monday January 26, 2026 be adopted.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

## 4. Disclosures of a Conflict of Interest

## 5. Presentations and Delegations

## 6. Adoption of Minutes

### 6.1 Regular Meeting of January 12, 2026

### 6.2 To adopt the minutes as presented or amended

#### **Resolution Number 26-12**

Moved by Councillor Mathew Gardiner

Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of January 12, 2026 as circulated.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

## 7. Notice of Motions

## **8. Correspondence**

- 8.1 Solicitor General - Powers and roles of Municipalities, Mayors and Police Service Boards in establishing a police service board budget.
- 8.2 Municipality of Magnetawan – Site Ready Funding
- 8.3 City of Peterborough - Sustainable Funding for Police Services Request Resolution
- 8.4 The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville – Municipal Accountability Act
- 8.5 Town of Cobourg – Elbows Up for Climate Action
- 8.6 Township of Nairn & Hyman - Support for Steel and Lumber Sector
- 8.7 Township of Hornepayne - Request for support of a Small Northern Residential Property Tax Class
- 8.8 Town of Wasaga Beach & City of Brantford – Letter of Support regarding Support for Reform to Sentencing, Parole, and Public Access to the Ontario Sex Offender Registry
- 8.9 Town of Aylmer – Support to the City of Welland for Justice and Protection of Canada's Children
- 8.10 AMO Policy Update – Conservation Authority Transformation Advocacy Bill 75 Submission
- 8.11 Near North Crime Stoppers - Crime Stoppers Month – safe Streets, Strong Communities
- 8.12 North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit – Board Meeting Agenda
- 8.13 North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit – Direct Contact Information

## **9. Staff Reports – Motions**

- 9.1 2026 Joint Election Compliance Audit Committee – Report # 26-02R  
Report from Amy Leclerc, Municipal Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk

### **Resolution Number 26-13**

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick

Seconded by Councillor Spencer Bigelow

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives report # 26-02R titled 2026 Joint Election Compliance Audit Committee

**CARRIED** – unanimous

### **Resolution Number 26-14**

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross

Seconded by Councillor Mathew Gardiner

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the 2026 Joint Election Compliance Audit Committee and terms of reference and directs the Clerk to return at the next regular meeting with a formal by-law for adoption.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

**10. By-Laws**

**11. Old Business**

11.1 Business/Organization Signage Policy

11.2 FONOM Correspondance Consultation on Natural Gas Expansion in Ontario

11.3 Community Safety & Well- Being in Mattawa

11.4 Library Proposal from Report #26-01R

**12. New Business**

**13. Questions from Public Pertaining to Agenda**

**14. In Camera (Closed) Session**

**15. Return to Regular Session**

**16. Motions Resulting from Closed Session**

**17. Adjournment**

17.1 Adjournment of the meeting

**Resolution Number 26-15**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this regular meeting adjourn at 6:29 p.m.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

Electronically signed by  
Raymond A. Bélanger

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Mayor

Electronically signed by  
Amy Leclerc

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Clerk