

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held Monday January 27, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger  
Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner  
Councillor Fern Levesque  
Councillor Loren Mick  
Councillor Garry Thibert  
Councillor Spencer Bigelow

Staff Present: Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk  
Paul Laperriere, CAO/Treasurer  
Dexture Sarrazin, Director of Community Services  
Shawn Hongell, Fire Chief

\*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 Mayor Bélanger at 6:00 p.m.

## 2. Announce Electronic Participants

Clerk announced that there was no online participation.

## 3. Adoption of Agenda

3.1 To Adopt the agenda as presented or amended

### **Resolution Number 25-14**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner  
Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting agenda dated Monday January 27, 2025 be adopted as amended to add under Section 7. Notice of Motions, a motion to approve the detailed engineering design for Main Street Connecting Link Program.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

## 4. Disclosures of a Conflict of Interest

## 5. Presentations and Delegations

## 6. Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Regular Meeting of January 13, 2025

6.2 To adopt the minutes as presented or amended

### **Resolution Number 25-15**

Moved by Councillor Spencer Bigelow  
Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council adopt the minutes of the Regular meeting of Monday January 13, 2025.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

## **7. Notice of Motions**

### 7.1 Connecting Links Program Detailed Engineering Design for Main Street

#### **Resolution Number 25-16**

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick

Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**WHEREAS** Council for the Town of Mattawa had previously committed to the Connecting Link Program 2024-254 (Intake 9) for Main Street and whereas WSP Canada Limited was the lowest bid for the Geotechnical Investigation in the amount of \$44,197.30 plus HST;

**AND WHEREAS** Jp2g Consultants Inc., as Mattawa's Engineers and Planners of Record had submitted a total quote for engineering and environmental assessment services in the amount of \$285,238.70 plus HST;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Town of Mattawa approved the Detailed Engineering Design and Environmental Assessment for Main Street in the total amount of \$329,436.00 plus HST.

**CARRIED** – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

## **8. Correspondence**

### 8.1 Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Proposed Municipal Accountability Act, 2024

### 8.2 AMO – 2025 Pre-Budget Submission

### 8.3 AMO – Vote Like Your Quality of Life Depends On It

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.3.

### 8.4 Ministry of Environment, Conservation & Parks – Document Request for Mattawa Drinking Water System

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.4.

### 8.5 Ontario Clean Water Agency – Mattawa Water & Wastewater Systems Quarterly Operations Report

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.5.

### 8.6 CUPW – Industrial Inquiry Commission Reviewing Canada Post

### 8.7 Mayor Genevieve Lajoie, Municipality of Casselman – Support Needed for Fixing Municipal Funding

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.7 and directed staff to bring back a support resolution at the next regular meeting.

### 8.8 Descon Management Group – Property Management Report for 231 Tenth Street

## 8.9 Solicitor General – OPP Billing Model

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.9.

## 8.10 Town of Mattawa – Letter to Ministry of Infrastructure – Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.10.

## 8.11 Town of Mattawa – Letter to Ministry of Long-Term Care – Cassellholme East Nipissing Home for the Aged Board of Management

## 8.12 Town of Mattawa – Letter to Ministry of the Solicitor General – OPP Services to Municipalities

Council spoke on correspondence item # 8.12.

## 9. Standing Committee Recommendations/Reports – Motions

### 10. Staff Reports – Motions

10.1 Update from CAO – Report # 25-03R  
Report from Paul Laperriere, CAO/Treasurer

#### **Resolution Number 25-17**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Spencer Bigelow

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 25-03R titled Updates from CAO.

**CARRIED** –unanimous

10.2 Purchase of Rankin Street Unopened Road Allowance – Report # 25-04R  
Report from Wayne Chaput, Chief Building Official/By-law Enforcement Officer

#### **Resolution Number 25-18**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 25-04R titled Purchase of Rankin Street Unopened Road Allowance.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council directs the Chief Building Official to send all information to Jp2g Consultants Inc. and request comments on this and return to Council with final comments and recommendations on this property.

**CARRIED** – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

## 11. By-Laws

11.1 By-Law 25-03 – Committee of Adjustment Members for 2025

**BEING** a by-law to appoint members to the Committee of Adjustment for the year 2025.

#### **Resolution Number 25-19**

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick

Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa approve and adopt By-Law 25-03 being a by-law to appoint Committee of Adjustment members for 2025.  
**CARRIED** – unanimous

**12. Old Business**

12.1 Council – Food Cyclers Municipal Solutions

There was no update from staff.

12.2 Beautification Committee Terms of Reference & Committee Structure

There was no update from staff.

**13. New Business**

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

A member of the public requested further information on correspondence items 8.1 and 8.9.

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

**16. Return to Regular Session**

**17. Motions Resulting from Closed Session**

**18. Adjournment**

18.1 Adjournment of the meeting

**Resolution Number 25-20**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the January 27, 2025 meeting adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

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Mayor

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Clerk