THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held Monday September 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present:
Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger
Councillors Mathew Gardiner, Fern Levesque, Laura Ross, Garry Thibert, Spencer Bigelow

Staff Present:
Amy Leclerc, Municipal Clerk; Sabrina Poullas, Deputy 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

2.1 Mayoral Address

3. Adoption of Agenda

3.1 To Adopt the agenda as presented or amended

Councillor Thibert arrived at 6:02 p.m.

Resolution Number 26-201
Moved by Councillor Mathew Gardiner
Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting agenda dated Monday September 28, 2026 be adopted as amended to include motion 12.1 FEDNOR Funding Application Partnership and to correct the report numbering on items 8.1 to 8.4.

CARRIED – unanimous

4. Disclosures of a Conflict of Interest

5. Presentations and Delegations

6. Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Regular Meeting of September 14, 2026

6.2 To adopt the minutes as presented or amended

Resolution Number 26-202
Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert
Seconded by Councillor Mathew Gardiner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of September 14, 2026 as circulated.

CARRIED – unanimous

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7. Correspondence

7.1 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Municipal Accountability Act, 2026

7.2 Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency – CA Board governance

7.3 FONOM – Welcomes Ontario's Renewed Cabinet

7.4 FONOM – Welcomes Prime Minister's Commitment to Work with Ontario on Northern Highways

7.5 Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism – Deadline for designating non-designated heritage registers

7.6 Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives – Hospitals are underfunded relative to the growing demand for health care services

7.7 Town of Latchford – Funding for Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning by-law reviews

7.8 Township of Southgate Administration Office – Request for Province to Establish Regulatory Framework for E-Scooters

8. Information Reports

8.1 Physician Recruitment Committee – Report # 26-39R
Report by Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger

8.2 Update from Town Hall – Report # 26-40R
Report by Paul Laperriere, CAO/Treasurer

8.3 Voyageur Days 2026 – Report # 26-41R
Report by Paul Laperriere, CAO/Treasurer

8.4 Voyageur Days 2027 – Report # 26-42R
Report by Paul Laperriere, CAO/Treasurer

9. Action Reports

10. Questions from Public Pertaining to Agenda

11. Motions Resulting from Action Reports

12. Notice of Motions

12.1 FEDNOR Funding Application Partnership

Resolution Number 26-203
Moved by Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger
Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

WHEREAS the Town of Mattawa together with the municipalities of Calvin and Mattawan and the Township of Papineau-Cameron (the partnering Municipalities) have agreed to jointly submit an application for funding to FEDNOR under the Community Investment Initiative for Northern Ontario (CIINO);

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AND WHEREAS the Partnering Municipalities have each agreed to contribute $2,500 per year for each of the program funded under CIINO.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mattawa will also contribute $2,500 per year for the program funded under CIINO.

AND FURTHER THAT the Town of Mattawa will contribute additional funding as necessary in the event that expenditures exceed funding in any given year of the program the 3 year budget for which is provided below.

CARRIED – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

13. By-Laws

14. New Business

14.1 Councillor Ross – Property Tax Collection Policy

15. Old Business

16. In Camera (Closed) Session

17. Return to Regular Session

18. Motions Resulting from Closed Session

19. Confirmatory By-law

19.1 By-law 26-18 – Confirming Meeting Motions
BEING a by-law to confirm proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa at its meeting held on the 28th day of September, 2026.

Resolution Number 26-204
Moved by Councillor Laura Ross
Seconded by Councillor Spencer Bigelow

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt By-law 26-18 being a by-law confirming the proceedings of this meeting of Council dated September 28, 2026.

CARRIED – unanimous

20. Adjournment

20.1 Adjournment of the meeting

Resolution Number 26-205
Moved by Councillor Mathew Gardiner
Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

CARRIED – unanimous

Mayor

Clerk

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