

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Monday, July 27th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor D. Backer
Councillor C. Lacelle
Councillor G. Larose
Councillor G. Thibert
Councillor L. Ross

Council Absent: Councillor D. Sarrazin
Councillor L. Mick

Staff Present: Francine Desormeau, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer
Amy Leclerc, Executive Assistant/Deputy-Clerk
Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor
Paul Lafreniere, Fire Chief (Interim)

Staff Absent: Lucie Desrochers, Recreation & Facilities Services Manager
Wayne Chaput, Chief Building Official/By-Law Officer

*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 at 7:00 p.m.
2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof - None
3. Petitions & Delegations
4. Correspondence
5. Questions/Comments about the Content of the Agenda – None
6. Municipal Report Number 830

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, July 13th, 2020 and the Closed Meeting of Monday, July 13th, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt the attached Timmins Park and Splash Pad COVID-19 Policy.

AND FURTHER THAT this Policy will remain in place until further notice.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa approve the estimate (attached) provided by Galcon Marine Ltd. to restore the marina docks anchorage system that was damaged in the May 2019 Flood Emergency event at an estimated cost of \$28,000.00 which includes labour and materials.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the disbursements for the month of May 2020 in the amount of \$239,491.15 and the month of June 2020 in the amount of \$489,804.67 be adopted as submitted.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa accept the lowest tender for repair of the Pont Mauril Belanger (Mattawa River) Bridge from MTM-2 Contracting Inc. at a total contract price of \$1,095,160.00 plus HST and further authorizes Mayor Backer and the Interim CAO to sign the contract documents on behalf of the Corporation.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa approves the proposal from Xylem in the amount of \$40,837.00 plus HST to replace the Electrical Control Panel at the Bissett Street Lift Station.

AND FURTHER THAT these repairs will be funded through OCIF Funds as identified and approved in the 2020 Capital Projects List.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the Special meetings of Tuesday August 4th, Tuesday August 11th, and Wednesday August 12th, 2020 to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa authorize salary adjustments to the Deputy-Clerk/Executive Assistant position in the amount of \$125.00 per week and an additional \$100.00 per week to both Finance & Payroll Coordinator and Administrative Assistant positions on a temporary basis, retroactively to March 27th, 2020 and until the CAO position is filled.

Carried

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa urges the Ontario Provincial government and the Federal government work together to investigate the feasibility of implementing a universal basic income program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa forward this resolution to the Honorable Doug Ford, Premier, Mr. Anthony Rota, MP of Nipissing-Timiskaming, Mr. Vic Fedeli, MPP of Nipissing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Northeastern Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa representing the residents and business owners alike, call to action Premier Ford, Honorable Laurie Scott Minister of Infrastructure, Honorable Vic Fedeli Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation & Trade, Mr. Anthony Rota, MP of Nipissing-Timiskaming, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Northeastern Ontario Municipalities to champion the implementation of broadband in the under-serviced areas within the Town of Mattawa.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law 20-17 to appoint Mr. Rob Hartwick to the Property Standards Committee for the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa for the remainder of the term of Council.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt the attached ***Mandatory Use of Face Coverings for Employees*** policy.

AND FURTHER THAT this Policy will remain in place until further notice.

Carried

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WHEREAS the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit requires as of July 24th, 2020 the use of face coverings in certain enclosed public spaces (businesses, organizations, and services) and transportation in the District of Nipissing;

AND WHEREAS this mandate falls under the province's Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act and supports a successful and safe implementation of Stage Three of Reopening Ontario.

AND WHEREAS a face covering, or other face covering with preferably two layers of material that securely covers the nose, mouth, and chin and is in contact with the surrounding face without gapping in order to contain coughs, sneezes and respiratory spit and spray of the person wearing the face covering;

AND WHEREAS face coverings such as bandanas, scarf, cloth, niqab or burka are not designed to filter air and do not have a number of layers however they are a better alternative if a face covering is not available;

AND WHEREAS the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit has developed instructions for owners/operators of businesses, organizations and other services to help them apply a policy to their workplace that requires face coverings to be worn in enclosed public spaces, including transportation.

AND WHEREAS exemptions are in effect for multiple reasons, including medical and age-related, and no proof is required;

AND WHEREAS evidence shows that wearing a face covering or mask can help contain the spread of COVID-19 when used in combination with staying home when ill, frequent handwashing and practicing physical distancing;

AND WHEREAS the Medical Officer of Health will continue to assess the need for public health measures and will reassess actions as legislations and local and provincial COVID-19 circumstances evolve;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa supports the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit's mandate on the use of face coverings in certain enclosed public spaces (businesses, organizations, and services) and transportation in the District of Nipissing;

AND FURTHER THAT Council and Staff at the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa will work with our Health Unit to promote and educate our local businesses, organizations and residents on this important approach;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa hereby truly appreciates and thanks all businesses, organization and its residents for doing their part to prevent the spread of this deadly virus.

Carried

Resolution Number 20-42

Moved by Councillor L. Ross

Seconded by Councillor G. Larose

That the Municipal Report Number 830 be adopted.
Carried

7. Committee Reports

- 7.1 Francine Desormeau, Clerk/Deputy-Treasurer – Re: Council Update to Ongoing Activities – Report # 2020-45R
- 7.2 Francine Desormeau, Clerk/Deputy-Treasurer – Re: Letter of Engagement for Seniors Affordable Housing Project – Report # 2020-46R
- 7.3 Francine Desormeau, Clerk/Deputy-Treasurer – Re: Waterfront Marina Update – Jp2g Consultants Inc. Status Report – Report # 2020-47R
- 7.4 Francine Desormeau, Clerk/Deputy-Treasurer – Re: Pont Mauril Belanger (Mattawa River) Bridge Repair Tender – Report # 2020-48R
- 7.5 Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor – Re: Sweeping Summary Report for 2020 – Report # 2020-49R
- 7.6 Francine Desormeau, Clerk/Deputy-Treasurer – Re: Affordable Senior Housing Project – Property Contents – Report # 2020-50R

Department Activity Reports – None

8. Questions from the Floor

A former ratepayer questioned his former property with regards to road access to the Town of Mattawa Reservoir.

9. New/Old Business

- 9.1 Tablets for Council
- 9.2 Hiring of Summer Students

10. 2/3 (Special Resolutions – not previously circulated) - None

11. In Camera (Closed) Session – None

12. Return to Regular Session

13. Adjournment

The regular meeting of Council Monday, July 27th, 2020 adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Mayor

Clerk