

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Monday, January 25th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via videoconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was also available via teleconference and streamed live via Town of Mattawa Facebook Page.

Council Present: Mayor D. Backer
Councillor D. Sarrazin
Councillor G. Larose
Councillor G. Thibert**
Councillor L. Mick
Councillor L. Ross

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: Francine Desormeau, CAO/Clerk/Treasurer
Amy Leclerc, Executive Assistant/Deputy-Clerk
Wayne Chaput, Chief Building Official/By-Law Officer
Paul Lafreniere, Fire Chief (Interim)
Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor
Renee Paquette, Recreation & Facilities Services Manager

Staff Absent: None

*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
 - Mayor Backer declared a pecuniary interest on In Camera Session
3. Petitions & Delegations – None
4. Correspondence
5. Questions/Comments about the Content of the Agenda – None
6. Municipal Report Number 841

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, January 11th, 2021, the Closed Meeting of Monday, January 11th, 2021 and the Special Meeting of Tuesday, January 19th, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 21-05 authorizing the 2021 interim tax levy based on 50% of the prior year's annualized taxes.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa fully supports and strongly advocates the province of Ontario to implement the Amber Eight Light System on all school buses for the safety of all students utilizing school buses as a safe access to and from schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mattawa forward this resolution to MPP Mike Harris, Jr., the Minister of Transportation, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northeastern Ontario Municipalities and all municipalities in the District of Nipissing.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 21-06 which is a By-law to designate Gorman Street as a one-way Street, directing the flow of traffic Southbound.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa, due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions postpone the 2021 Voyageur Days Festival.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law 21-07 to authorize the signing of a one year lease agreement with the Voyageur Curling Club for the commercial space located 1216 John Street (lower level) for the purpose of operating the Mattawa Fitness Centre.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa authorize additional maintenance work to be performed at the Landfill Site by the Contractor Dumont Backhoe Services at a cost of \$27,630.00.

Carried

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa authorize Interim Fire Chief Paul Lafreniere to purchase the online subscription platform from Lexipol at a cost of \$1,028.00US to facilitate online training for the Mattawa Fire Department.

Carried

Resolution Number 21-06

Moved by Councillor L. Mick

Seconded by Councillor G. Larose

That the Municipal Report Number 841 be adopted.

Carried

7. Committee Reports

- 7.1 Francine Desormeau, CAO/Clerk/Treasurer – Re: Council Update to Ongoing Activities – Report # 2021-07R
- 7.2 Amy Leclerc, Executive Assistant/Deputy-Clerk – Re: Council Seat Vacancy Update – Report # 2021-08R
- 7.3 Francine Desormeau, CAO/Clerk/Treasurer – Re: Municipal Office Reorganization – Report # 2021-09R
- 7.4 Renee-Anne Paquette, Recreation & Facilities Services Manager – Re: Fitness Centre Lease Agreement – Re: Report # 2021-10R
- 7.5 Paul Lafreniere, Interim Fire Chief – Re: MOU with Township of Papineau-Cameron – COVID-19 Planning – Report # 2021-11R
- 7.6 Francine Desormeau, CAO/Clerk/Treasurer – Re: 333 Main Street Update – Report # 2021-12R
- 7.7 Renee-Anne Paquette, Recreation & Facilities Services Manager – Re: Activity Update in Recreation Department – Re: Report # 2021-13R

Department Activity Reports

By-Law & Building Department Report – Chief Building Official, Wayne Chaput
Read by Councillor G. Thibert

- 8. Questions from the Floor – None
- 9. New/Old Business
- 10. 2/3 (Special Resolutions – not previously circulated)

Resolution Number 21-07

Moved by Councillor G. Thibert

Seconded by Councillor G. Larose

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa hereby appoint Robbie Jones to the office of Councillor for the remainder of the Council term.

Carried

11. In Camera (Closed) Session

11.1 Personnel Matters

Mayor Backer declared a conflict of interest removed himself from the videoconference for the In Camera Session.

The Motion to proceed In Camera (Closed) Session was not adopted by Council.

12. Return to Regular Session

Resolution Number 21-08

Moved by Councillor G. Larose

Seconded by Councillor L. Mick

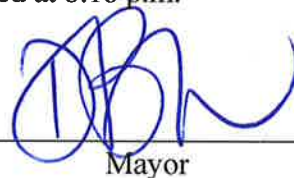
That the regular session reconvene at 8:17 p.m.

Carried

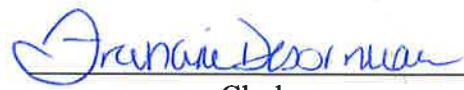
Councillor Sarrazin stated the In Camera session was to discuss personnel matters.

13. Adjournment

The regular meeting of Council Monday, January 25th, 2021 adjourned at 8:18 p.m.



Mayor



Clerk