# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger

Councillor Dexture Sarrazin
Councillor Fern Levesque
Councillor Loren Mick
Councillor Laura Ross
Councillor Garry Thibert

Council Absent: Deputy-Mayor Mathew Gardiner

Staff Present: Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk

Sabrina Poullas, Front Counter Clerk

Wayne Chaput, Chief Building Official/By-Law Officer

Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor Paul Lafreniere, Fire Chief (Interim)

Staff Absent: Francine Desormeau, CAO/Treasurer

Brittany Belanger, Executive Assistant

\*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 by Mayor Bélanger at 7:00 p.m.

# Resolution Number 23-63

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa temporarily suspend the rules of the procedural by-law for the Regular Meeting of Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

- 2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof
- 3. Petitions & Delegations
- 4. Correspondence
- 5. Questions/Comments about the Content of the Agenda
- 6. Municipal Report Number 886

### Page No 61

Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Regular Meeting of Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the Special Meeting of Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be adopted as circulated as amended.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

### Page No 62

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law Number 23-08 which is a by-law to amend the Clean Yards By-Law, Schedule of Fees.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

#### Page No 63

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council adopts By-Law 23-09 which is a by-law to authorize the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement with the Algonquins of Ontario for the Waterfront Divestiture.

CARRIED - Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

#### Page No 64

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Annual Corporate Membership to Community Living Mattawa in the amount of \$50.00.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council directs staff to issue the membership payment on Council's behalf.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

#### Page No 65

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorizes Community Living Mattawa to conduct barbecues on the sidewalk in front of Foodland on Friday, May 26, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and on Friday, August 25, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in order to raise money for a variety of Community Living Mattawa activities.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

## Page No 66

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa approve a five year annual financial commitment of \$13,769.54 per year for the Mattawa Physician Recruitment Initiative.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the annual contribution will begin in 2024 until the final payment in 2028 payable in January of each year.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

### Page No 67

Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**WHEREAS** in the Province of Ontario, municipalities are responsible to conduct the election process on behalf of the school boards;

**AND WHEREAS** an extensive amount of resources, time and management to advertise, co-ordinate and complete these trustee elections is placed on the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities do not receive any compensation or re-imbursement for the implementation of the school board trustee elections;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities receive education taxes on residential property tax on behalf of School Boards and are obligated to submit all of the education portion of the property taxes to each School Board with no compensation.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa request that School Boards become responsible for conducting their own Trustee elections, or at a minimum, municipalities be compensated by the School Boards for overseeing such Trustee elections;

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council forward this motion to the Hon. Stephen Leece, Minister of Education and to all Ontario Municipal Council.

CARRIED - Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

#### **Resolution Number 23-64**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE RESOLVED THAT** the Municipal Report Number 886 be adopted as amended. **CARRIED** – unanimous

- 7. Committee Reports
- 7.1 Wayne Chaput, By-Law Enforcement Officer Re: Accessibility Advisory Committee Report # 2023-27R

# **Resolution Number 23-65**

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-27R titled Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council approves the Terms of Reference for the Accessibility Advisory Committee in principle and will be brought back for formal adoption by By-Law.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council appoints Councillors Dexture Sarrazin and Fern Levesque to the Accessibility Advisory Committee which will be brought back for formal adoption by By-Law at the next regular meeting.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council approves the ad recruiting committee members and directs the Clerk to submit the ad to the Mattawa Recorder and place on the Mattawa App, Town of Mattawa social media sites and municipal website.

CARRIED - Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

7.2 Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk – Re: Municipal Office Cleaning Contract – Report # 2023-28R

# **Resolution Number 23-66**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-28R titled Municipal Office Cleaning Contract.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Council approve staff's recommendation on the candidate to award the cleaning contract and return to Council for formal adoption at the next Regular Meeting by way of By-law.

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

7.3 Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk – Re: Mattawa Voyageur Days Festival Grants – Report # 2023-29R

#### **Resolution Number 23-67**

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-29R titled Mattawa Voyageur Days Festival Grants.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council directs staff to apply for both the FACTOR Canada Sponsorship grant and the NOHFC Cultural Supports Community Events Stream on behalf of the Mattawa Voyageur Days Festival Committee.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

7.4 Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk – Re: Information Technology Services Clerk – Report # 2023-30R

### **Resolution Number 23-68**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-30R titled Information Technology Services Contract.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council directs staff to issue the extension to Mr. Lee Robidas of Mavin IT Consulting on a two year contract.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council directs staff to bring forward the By-law for formal adoption at the next regular meeting.

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

7.5 Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk – Re: Draft Procedure By-Law – Report # 2023-31R

### **Resolution Number 23-69**

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-31R titled Proposed Procedure By-Law.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Clerk return with an updated Procedure By-Law with the changes requested by Council.

CARRIED - Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

- 8. Questions from the Floor
- New/Old Business
- 10. 2/3 (Special Resolutions not previously circulated)
- 11. In Camera (Closed) Session
- 12. Return to Regular Session
- 13. Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of Council Monday, March 13th, 2023 adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Mayor