

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

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

Staff Present: Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer  
Amy Leclerc, Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk  
Brittany Belanger, Executive Assistant  
Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor  
Paul Lafreniere, Interim 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 by Mayor Bélanger at 7:00 p.m.

**Resolution Number 23-169**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner

***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, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023.***

**CARRIED – unanimous**

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof
4. Correspondence
5. Questions/Comments about the Content of the Agenda
6. Municipal Report Number 894

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Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be adopted as circulated.***

**CARRIED – unanimous**

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Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner

Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorize the Interim CAO/Treasurer Paul Laperriere to attend the 2023 Municipal Finance Officers' Annual Conference being held in Niagara Falls from September 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> at a total estimated cost of \$2,800.00 which includes the conference fees, accommodations, meals and travel expenses.

**CARRIED** – Recorded vote and the vote was as follows:

**For:** Mayor Bélanger, Councillors Gardiner, Sarrazin, Levesque, Thibert

**Against:** Councillors Mick

**Resolution Number 23-170**

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick

Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE RESOLVED THAT** the Municipal Report Number 894 be adopted.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Office Hours – Report # 2023-71R

**Resolution Number 23-171**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-71R titled Office Hours.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council approves the closure of the Town Hall Fridays at 1:00pm for the balance of the summer to and including September 1, 2023.

**CARRIED** – Recorded vote and the vote was as follows:

**For:** Mayor Bélanger, Councillors Gardiner, Sarrazin, Levesque, Mick

**Against:** Councillor Thibert

7.2 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Lawn Maintenance Tender Results – Report # 2023-72R

**Resolution Number 23-172**

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert

Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-72R titled Lawn Maintenance Tender Results.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council approves the evaluation performed and that bid # 2 had the best score.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the issuance of the Lawn Maintenance Tender be awarded to Mr. Richard Doucette for 2023 in the amount of \$19,000.00, with an optional amount of \$25,000.00 for 2024 and \$26,000.00 for 2025. And that Mr. Doucette provide the Interim CAO/Treasurer with proof of insurance coverage of \$2,000,000.00 and the WSIB clearance certificate.

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

- 7.3 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Rosemount Valley Suites Expression of Interest – Report # 2023-73R

**Resolution Number 23-173**

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-73R titled Rosemount Valley Suites Expression of Interest.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council approves the expression of interest and directs staff to issue to the Mattawa Recorder, municipal website, Town of Mattawa social media pages and Mattawa App and any agency the Interim CAO/Treasurer would like to submit for a response.

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

- 7.4 Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner – Re: Voyageur Multi Use Trails Association Update – Report # 2023-74R

**Resolution Number 23-174**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner

Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-74R titled Voyageur Multi Use Trails Association Update.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

- 7.5 Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger – Re: Physician Recruitment Report – Report # 2023-75R

**Resolution Number 23-175**

Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-75R titled Physician Recruitment Report.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

- 7.6 Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger – Re: Rural & Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) – Report # 2023-76R

**Resolution Number 23-176**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner  
Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-76R titled Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP).

**CARRIED** – unanimous

8. Questions from the Floor

9. New/Old Business

10. 2/3 (Special Resolutions – not previously circulated)

**Resolution Number 23-177**

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert  
Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve Perry Walker as the freelance videographer for the 2023 Mattawa Voyageur Days Festival.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the videographer be directed to provide video footage of the town as a whole such as Main Street, Annie's Park, Timmins Park and the Mountain views.

**AND FURTHER THAT** all video footage be the property of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa.

**CARRIED** – Recorded vote and the vote was as follows:

**For:** Mayor Bélanger, Councillors Gardiner, Sarrazin, Mick, Thibert

**Against:** Councillor Levesque

11. In Camera (Closed) Session

**Resolution Number 23-178**

Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner

**BE IT RESOLVED** That this Committee proceed in Camera at 8:24 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

12. Return to Regular Session

**Resolution Number 23-179**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene at 9:11 p.m.***

**CARRIED – unanimous**

Mayor Bélanger stated that the in camera was to discuss a personnel matter.

**Resolution Number 23-180**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa authorize the hiring of a full time Accounting Clerk and further authorize the Interim CAO/Treasurer to post the job advertisement in the Mattawa Recorder, municipal website, Town of Mattawa social media pages and Mattawa App.

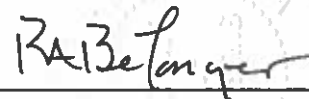
**CARRIED – Recorded vote and the vote was as follows:**

**For:** Mayor Bélanger, Councillors Gardiner, Sarrazin, Levesque

**Against:** Councillors Mick, Thibert

13. Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of Council Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 adjourned at 9:14 p.m.



R. Bélanger

Mayor



Amy Levesque

Clerk