THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, August 28th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Ra

Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger

Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner Councillor Dexture Sarrazin Councillor Fern Levesque Councillor Laura Ross Councillor Garry Thibert

Staff Present:

Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer

Amy Leclerc, Municipal Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk

Brittany Belanger, Executive Assistant Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor

*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.
- 2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof
 - Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner declared a conflict on Report # 7.4
- 3. Petitions & Delegations
- 4. Correspondence

Resolution Number 23-192

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

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, August 28th, 2023.

CARRIED – unanimous

- 5. Questions/Comments about the Content of the Agenda
- 6. Municipal Report Number 896

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Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, August 14th, 2023, and the Special Meeting of Wednesday, August 16th, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED – unanimous

Resolution Number 23-193

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Laura Ross

BE RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Report Number 896 be adopted.

CARRIED – unanimous

- 7. Committee Reports
- 7.1 Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor Re: Winter Sand and Salt Purchase Report # 2023-80R

Resolution Number 23-194

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-80R titled "Winter Sand and Salt Purchase".

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the purchase of winter sand from A. Miron topsoil in the amount of \$17,190.00 plus applicable taxes and approves the purchase of winter salt from Compass Minerals in the amount of \$10,599.20 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED – unanimous

7.2 Councillor Laura Ross – Re: Sale of Tumblers at Mattawa Information Centre – Report # 2023-81R

Resolution Number 23-195

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-81R titled "Sale of Tumblers at the Mattawa Information Centre".

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves and gives permission to Kent Lagace (One-of-a-Kind Gifts) to sell his souvetumblers at the information centre with the understanding that \$5.00 from the sale of each tumbler be donated to the Mattawa Beautification Committee.

CARRIED – unanimous

7.3 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Natural Gas Franchise Agreement – Report # 2023-82R

Resolution Number 23-196

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick Seconded by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-82R titled "Natural Gas Franchise Agreement."

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to bring forward the Natural Gas Franchise By-Law and agreement at the next regular meeting.

CARRIED – unanimous

7.4 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Dorion Road Hill Reconstruction Project – Tree Clearing Tender – Report # 2023-83R

Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner declared a conflict of interest on Report # 7.4 and removed himself from Council Chambers.

Resolution Number 23-197

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-83R titled Dorion Road Hill Reconstruction Project – Tree Clearing Tender.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the tender from Novack Sand & Gravel in the amount of \$91,138.42 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner returned to Council Chambers.

Councillor Garry Thibert arrived at 7:41 p.m. online during the discussion on Report # 2023-84R

7.5 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Landfill Grinding Project – Report # 2023-84R

Resolution Number 23-198

Moved by Councillor Loren Mick Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-84R titled Landfill Grinding Project.

AND FURTHER THAT Council awards the 2023 Landfill Grinding Project to National Grinding Inc. in the amount of \$36,875.00 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

7.6 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Operational Review Work Plan – Report # 2023-85R

Resolution Number 23-199

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-85R titled Operational Review Work Plan.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves Integrity Management Consulting Group's proposal to perform the work on Policies and Procedures and to support the development of a strategic plan.

CARRIED – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

7.7 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Ice Plant Repairs– Report # 2023-86R

Resolution Number 23-200

Moved by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-86R titled Ice Plant Repairs.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the repairs to be completed by Shaler Mechanical Systems Ltd. at a cost of \$8,797.50 plus HST.

CARRIED – unanimous

7.8 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Hiring of Accounting Clerk – Report # 2023-87R

Resolution Number 23-201

Moved by Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner Seconded by Councillor Fern Levesque

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-87R titled Hiring of Accounting Clerk.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the hiring of Bonnie Thur as the permanent full-time of Accounting Clerk effective September 18, 2023.

CARRIED - Recorded vote and the vote was as follows:

For: Mayor Bélanger, Councillors Gardiner, Sarrazin, Levesque

Against: Councillors Mick, Ross, Thibert

7.9 Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer – Re: Communications & Digital Strategies Coordinator Position – Report # 2023-88R

Resolution Number 23-202

Moved by Councillor Laura Ross Seconded by Councillor Loren Mick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Mattawa receives Report # 2023-88R titled Communications & Digital Strategies Coordinator.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves extension of Communications & Digital Strategies Coordinator contract for 3 months expiring December 8, 2023 and increase the hours to 35 hours per week from 25 hours per week.

CARRIED – Recorded vote and the vote was unanimous

- 8. Questions from the Floor
- 9. New/Old Business

Deputy Mayor Mathew Gardiner updated Council of the board member shortage for the John Dixon Public Library Board.

Mayor Bélanger updated Council and the members of the public on the landfill agreement with the other municipalities.

- 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, August 28th, 2023 adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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