



CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST NIPISSING /
LA CORPORATION DE LA MUNICIPALITÉ DE NIPISSING OUEST

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING
ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020 AT 6:30 PM

PRESENT: MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE
COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME
COUNCILLOR CHRISTOPHER FISHER
COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE
COUNCILLOR LÉO MALETTE
COUNCILLOR DAN ROVEDA
COUNCILLOR DENIS SÉNÉCAL
COUNCILLOR LISE SÉNÉCAL
WARD7 (vacant)

ABSENT:

VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING / RÉUNION VIRTUELLE PAR ZOOM

A) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / DÉCLARATION D'INTÉRÊTS PÉCUNIAIRES

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

B) AGENDA and ADDENDUM / ORDRE DU JOUR et ADDENDA

B-1 Resolution passed to approve the Addendum.

No. 2020/348 Moved by: Councillor Roveda
Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Addendum for the meeting of Council held on December 15, 2020 be adopted as presented / amended.

CARRIED

B-2 Resolution passed to adopt the Agenda.

No. 2020/349 Moved by: Councillor Roveda
Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on December 15, 2020 be adopted as presented / amended.

CARRIED

C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONS NIL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

D-1) EMERGENCY MEASURES AND PUBLIC SAFETY / MESURES D'URGENCE ET SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE

D-1(a) Safety Issues on Toronto Street (J. Savage)

Council considered a letter received from residents on Toronto Street citing safety concerns regarding traffic speed and volume which has increased since the closure of the south entrance to Dovercourt Road. Suggestions included stoplights, stop signs, reduced speed and re-opening the south end of Dovercourt. It was recommended that staff investigate the situation and report back to Council with possible solutions as soon as possible due to the additional challenges of winter.

« Chris Fisher »
Christopher Fisher,
Chair

« Melanie Ducharme »
Melanie Ducharme,
Clerk

D-2) SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH / SERVICES SOCIAUX ET SANTÉ

D-2(a) Doctor Recruitment (D. Roveda)

Councillor Roveda raised the issue of increasing anxiety and worry among residents due to the imminent departure of a local physician who will leave a large number of patients with no primary care. The Mayor stated that the recruitment of health professionals is ongoing and, notwithstanding the departure of the primary care physician, the hospital has been successful in filling a number of vacancies. All members of Council agreed that there is a need in the community to address the ongoing shortage of primary health providers. It was agreed that Councillors Roveda and Malette on behalf of the Health Centre and Hospital, respectively, attend the next Doctor Recruitment Committee.

« Léo Malette »

Léo Malette,
Chair

« Melanie Ducharme »

Melanie Ducharme,
Clerk

D-3) COMMUNITY SERVICES / SERVICES COMMUNAUTAIRES

D-3(a) Update re: Ice Rentals Fees

The Director of Community Services and Economic Development provided feedback to Council on the issue previously raised of lowering ice rental fees. Mr. Poulin did not recommend the lowering of fees to private renters as it would create inequity with regular users. A lengthy discussion ensued during which a variety of options were raised including a reduced rate for families, blanket rates (same rate at any time of the day) providing the ice is available. Following discussion, the majority of members agreed with staff recommendation to leave the rates, as is.

D-3(b) Update re: COVID Resilience Stream

The Director of Community Services and Economic Development summarized a memo prepared by the Director of Corporate services addressing the eligibility of the municipality for the ICIP COVID Resilience funding based on the four categories available. The Director stated that during the examination of municipal priorities based on the funding criteria, the replacement of the HVAC system at the Recreation Centre was the most suitable. The majority of Council supported the recommendation staff was directed to proceed with the funding application.

« Joanne Savage »

Joanne Savage
Acting Chair

« Stephan Poulin »

Stephan Poulin,
Director of Economic Development and
Community Services

D-4) PUBLIC WORKS / TRAVAUX PUBLICS

D-4(a) Traffic Impact Analysis re: Front and Coursol Intersection (e-mail from AeCOM)

The Chair summarized the matter previously discussed concerning the safety concerns at the Highway 17 and Coursol Road intersection. In order to properly address the matter, a Traffic Impact Study at an approximate cost of \$15K would be necessary. Council agreed that it is a pressing issue and agreed that the study needs to be done and authorized the Manager of Public Works to proceed to obtain the study.

« Yvon Duhaime »

Yvon Duhaime,
Chair

« Jean-Pierre Barbeau »

Jean-Pierre (Jay) Barbeau,
Chief Administrative Officer

MOTION FOR RECESS: at 8:00 PM, a motion was tabled for a 10 minute recess and then continue with discussions.

Moved by: Councillor Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor Malette

CARRIED

D-5) SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L'EAU

D-5(a) Revised Sewer Backup / Frozen Water Fees Policy

The Chair of Water and Sewer presented an amended policy on sewer and water backups and frozen waterlines fees policy. Language has been tightened up to address user error as well as fees charged for camera inspections be increased in order to not compete with private sector providers. Council supported the amendments to the policy.

« Dan Roveda »

Dan Roveda,
Chair

« Jean-Pierre Barbeau »

Jean-Pierre (Jay) Barbeau,
Chief Administrative Officer

D-6) ENVIRONMENTAL / L'ENVIRONNEMENT

D-6(a) Lavigne Recycling – Response from WN Environmental Services

The Chair of Environmental Services presented a letter from the Environmental Services Board indicating that further analysis is required prior to implementing recycling services in the Lavigne area. There was some divergence on the understanding of the original discussion and staff was requested to clarify from past minutes on the original intent of the discussion.

Councillor Roveda raised a Point of Order concerning comments made by the Mayor. The Mayor appealed the Point of Order to which a vote on the appeal took place as follows.

	YEAS	NAYS
DUHAIME, Yvon	X	
FISHER, Christopher		X
LARABIE, Roland		X
MALETTE, Léo		X
ROVEDA, Dan		X
Ward 7 (vacant)		
SÉNÉCAL, Denis	X	
SÉNÉCAL, Lise	X	
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)		

DEFEATED

« Roland Larabie »

Roland Larabie,
Chair

« Jean-Pierre Barbeau »

Jean-Pierre (Jay) Barbeau,
Chief Administrative Officer

REGULAR COUNCIL / SÉANCE RÉGULIÈRE

E) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

E-1 By-Law 2020/72 passed for special drainage rates (rating) (D. Schwartzentruber)

No. 2020/350 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law **2020/72**, being a by-law imposing special annual drainage rates upon land in respect of which money is borrowed under the *Tile Drainage Act*, application made by **NORTHLAND FARMS & CONTRACTING INC.** (Dan Schwartzentruber), (Part of Lot 5, Concession 2, Twp. Macpherson, Roll No. 48-52-100-001-05330) in the Municipality of West Nipissing, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-2 By-Law 2020/73 passed to transfer/sell land off Bay Street (S. Larcher)

No. 2020/351 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/73**, being a by-law to authorize the transfer of lands located north of Bay Street, legally described as Part of lots 3, 4 and 5, east side Montreal Street and Part lot 5, west side Ottawa Street, being Part 4, 36R-7374, Plan 14, for the consideration of \$25,000.00 plus HST, in the former Township of Springer, Municipality of West Nipissing, District of Nipissing; which shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-3 By-Law 2020/74 passed to transfer/sell land off Holditch Street (A. Guenette)

No. 2020/352 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/74**, being a by-law to authorize the transfer of lands located on Holditch Street, legally described as Part of Lot 36, West Side Holditch Street, Plan 39, being Part 1, Plan 36R-12414, for the consideration of \$15,840.00 plus HST, in the former Township of Springer, Municipality of West Nipissing, District of Nipissing; which shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-4 By-Law 2020/61 to rezone certain land on Old Hwy. 17 Rd. from RR to RR-3.

[Refer to Addendum section](#)

E-5 By-Law 2020/76 to establish of a Crematorium in Industrial Park.

[Refer to Addendum section](#)

E-6 By-Law 2020/77 to rezone certain land on Moose Point Rd. from C3 to SR-11.

[Refer to Addendum section](#)

E-7 By-Law 2020/78 to rezone certain land on Bay St. from M2&HZ to R2.

[Refer to Addendum section](#)

E-8 By-Law 2020/79 to deem certain lots not to be registered on Plan of Subdivision (36M-598)

[Refer to Addendum section](#)

F) CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURRIER

F-1 Resolution passed to adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2020/358 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting of Council held on DECEMBER 1, 2020 be adopted, as presented / amended.

CARRIED

F-2 Resolution passed to adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2020/359 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the following Boards / Committees be received :

BOARD / COMMITTEE NAME	MEETING DATES
Au Château Board of Management	• October 21, 2020
West Nipissing OPP Police Services Board	• July-16-2020
West Nipissing Environmental Services	• August 10, 2020

CARRIED

F-3 Resolution passed to receive the disbursement sheets.

No. 2020/360 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the account payables disbursement sheets for OCTOBER 2020 be received.

CARRIED

G) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHÉ NIL

H) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS

I) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

I-1 Receive the 3rd Quarter Variance Financial Report

No. 2020/361 Moved by: Councillor Malette
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2020 – 3rd Quarter Variance Financial Report for the Municipality of West Nipissing be received.

CARRIED

I-2 Approve revised Sewer Backup / Frozen Water – Fees Policy No. 2006/453

No. 2020/362 Moved by: Councillor Malette
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

WHEREAS at the meeting held on December 15, 2020; Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing reviewed an amended the Sewer Backup / Frozen Water - Fees (no. 2006/453);

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing approves the amended Sewer Backup / Frozen Water - Fees Policy No. 2006/453 as presented, which shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the amended Sewer Backup / Frozen Water - Fees Policy No. 2006/453 shall form part of the Policy Manual; replacing the previous Call-Out Services - Billing Policy.

CARRIED

J) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA

E-4 Deferred - By-Law 2020/61 to rezone certain land on Old Hwy. 17 Rd. from RR to RR-3

No. 2020/353 Moved by: Councillor Malette
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2020/61, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 2014/45, to rezone certain lands located on Old Highway 17, Verner from Rural Residential (RR) Zone to Rural Residential Exception Zone 3 (RR-3), shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

MOTION FOR DEFERRAL: A motion was tabled to defer the matter to the 2nd meeting of January 2021.

Moved by: Councillor Larabie
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

DEFERRED TO 2nd MEETING OF JANUARY

E-5 By-Law 2020/76 passed to establish of a Crematorium in Industrial Park.

No. 2020/354 Moved by: Councillor Malette
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/76**, being a by-law to authorize the Establishment of a Crematorium at 13 Industrial Park Road in the Municipality of West Nipissing; shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-6 By-Law 2020/77 passed to rezone certain land on Moose Point Rd. from C3 to SR-11.

No. 2020/355 Moved by: Councillor Roveda
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/77**, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 2014/45, to rezone certain lands located at 207 Moose Point Road, Township of Grant from Tourist, Commercial (C3) Zone to Shoreline Residential Exception Zone 11 (SR-11), shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-7 By-Law 2020/78 passed to rezone certain land on Bay St. from M2&HZ to R2.

No. 2020/356 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/78**, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 2014/45, to rezone certain lands located on Bay Street, in Sturgeon Falls, from Heavy Industrial (M2) and Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone to Residential Two (R2) and Hazard Lands (HZ), shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-8 By-Law 2020/79 passed to deem certain lots not to be registered on Plan of Subdivision (36M-598)

No. 2020/357 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/79**, being a deeming by-law to designate lots 10 to 12, Registered Plan 36M-598 not to be lots on a registered plan of subdivision, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

K) INFORMATION & QUESTIONS / INFORMATION ET QUESTIONS

K-1 The Mayor gave her report.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION: A motion was tabled to extend the meeting beyond the regular curfew time in order to proceed with time sensitive items.

Moved by: Councillor Malette
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

CARRIED

L) CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS

L-1 Proceed into closed meeting.

No. 2020/363 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we proceed into closed meeting as authorized in Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act (2001)*, to discuss the following:

- a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality or local board;

- (i) Cholette Street – Sale of Land
- (ii) Promenade du Lac

CARRIED

L-2 Approval of various previous CLOSED minutes.

Pursuant to Section 4.4.12 of the Procedural By-Law No. 2019/94, as amended, the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

~~L-3~~ Adjourn the closed session:

~~No. 2020/___ Moved by: Councillor ___
Seconded by: Councillor ___~~

~~BE IT BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ the Closed meeting of Council held on DECEMBER 15, 2020 be adjourned at ___ PM in order to proceed with the regular meeting

M) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

~~M-1~~ Confirm the proceedings of Council.

~~No. 2020/___ Moved by: Councillor ___
Seconded by: Councillor ___~~

~~BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ By law No. ~~2020/75~~ being a By law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 15th day of DECEMBER 2020, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

~~M-2~~ Adjourn the meeting of Council.

~~No. 2020/___ Moved by: Councillor ___
Seconded by: Councillor ___~~

~~BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ the meeting of Council held on DECEMBER 15, 2020 be adjourned.

« Mayor Joanne Savage »
JOANNE SAVAGE
MAYOR

« Melanie Ducharme »
MELANIE DUCHARME
CLERK