



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

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019 AT 6:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE  
COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME  
COUNCILLOR CHRISTOPHER FISHER  
COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE  
COUNCILLOR LÉO MALETTE  
COUNCILLOR DAN ROVEDA  
COUNCILLOR JEREMY SÉGUIN  
COUNCILLOR DENIS SÉNÉCAL  
COUNCILLOR LISE SÉNÉCAL

**ABSENT:**

**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** A resolution was passed to adopt the Agenda.

**No. 2019/023** Moved by: Councillor Roveda  
Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on February 19, 2019 be adopted as  presented /  amended.

**CARRIED**

**C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONS**

**C-1** North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (NBPSDHU) (*Presenters: Dr. Jim Chirico, Chris Bowes, Stephanie Lachapelle, Paula Benoit*)

Dr. Chirico provided Council with an update pertaining to the new smoking legislation and the requirement to include language pertaining to vaping. Dr. Chirico commended the Municipality of West Nipissing for its initiative in undertaking a by-law to prohibit cannabis consumption in public places. Stephanie Lachapelle and Paula Benoit made a presentation on the new legislation in the Smoke Free Ontario Act and on the physical and psychological effects of cannabis consumption.

**D) CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS**

**D-1** A resolution was passed to proceed into closed meeting.

**No. 2019/024** Moved by: Councillor Séguin  
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

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

- (B)** personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;  
**(i)** Update – Integrity Commissioner

**CARRIED**

**D-2** A resolution was passed to adjourn the closed session.

**No. 2019/025** Moved by: Councillor Roveda  
Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

**BE IT BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Closed meeting of Council held on February 12, 2019 be adjourned at 7:33 PM in order to proceed with the regular meeting

**CARRIED**

**REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING /  
RÉUNION RÉGULIÈRE**

**E) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION**

**E-1** A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law **2019/06** to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Leduc Road in Field)

**No. 2019/026** Moved by: Councillor Séguin  
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law **2019/06** be authorized to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Leduc Road in Field). **CARRIED**

**E-2** A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law **2019/07** to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Plante Road in Lavigne)

**No. 2019/027** Moved by: Councillor Roveda  
Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law **2019/07** be authorized to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Plante Road in Lavigne). **CARRIED**

**E-3** A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law **2019/08** to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Pierre Road in Sturgeon Falls)

**No. 2019/028** Moved by: Councillor Séguin  
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law **2019/08** be authorized to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Pierre Road in Sturgeon Falls). **CARRIED**

**F) CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURIER**

**F-1** A resolution was passed to adopt the minutes of the meeting of Council held on January 15, 2019.

**No. 2019/029** Moved by: Councillor Roveda  
Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the meeting of Council held on January 15, 2019 be adopted, as  presented /  amended. **CARRIED**

**F-2** A resolution was passed to adopt the minutes of the meeting of Council held on February 5, 2019.

**No. 2019/030** Moved by: Councillor Séguin  
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the meeting of Council held on February 5, 2019 be adopted, as  presented /  amended. **CARRIED**

**F-3** A resolution was passed to adopt the minutes of the CLOSED meeting of Council held on February 5, 2019.

**No. 2019/031** Moved by: Councillor Roveda  
Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the CLOSED meeting of Council held on February 5, 2019 be adopted, as  presented /  amended. **CARRIED**

**F-4** A resolution was passed to receive the minutes of the Au Chateau Board of Management meeting.

**No. 2019/032** Moved by: Councillor Larabie  
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the Au Chateau Board of Management meeting held on December 19, 2018 be received. **CARRIED**

F-5 A resolution was passed to receive the minutes of the West Nipissing Police Services Board meeting.

**No. 2019/033** Moved by: Councillor Duhaime  
Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the West Nipissing Police Services Board meeting held on December 19, 2018 be received.

**CARRIED**

F-6 A resolution was passed to receive the minutes of the Committee of Adjustment meeting.

**No. 2019/034** Moved by: Councillor Larabie  
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the West Nipissing Committee of Adjustment meeting held on October 15, 2018 be received.

**CARRIED**

F-7 Letter from MTO re: Commitment for left turn lane at Leblanc Road (J. Savage)

A letter from the Ministry of Transportation was shared with Council wherein the ministry confirms its commitment to the construction of a left turn lane at Leblanc Road in Sturgeon Falls. Unfortunately, they are unable to confirm the exact timing of the project. The Mayor suggested that a delegation be sought at a future conference to press the matter.

**G) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHÉ**

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G-1 A resolution was passed to adopt the consolidated Smoking By-Law **2019/09**.

**No. 2019/035** Moved by: Councillor Duhaime  
Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law **2019/09**, being a By-law to regulate smoking and/or vaping of tobacco or vapour products in public places and workplaces in the Municipality of West Nipissing; shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**CARRIED**

G-2 A resolution was passed to adopt the Cannabis Policy Statement re: Retail Store Locations

**No. 2019/036** Moved by: Councillor Larabie  
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

**WHEREAS** at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019; Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing reviewed the Cannabis Policy Statement;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing adopts the Cannabis Policy Statement, which shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Cannabis Policy Statement shall become part of the Municipality of West Nipissing's Policy Manual.

**CARRIED**

G-3 A resolution was passed to amend the municipal Donation policy.

**No. 2019/037** Moved by: Councillor Duhaime  
Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

**WHEREAS** at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018; Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing recommended revising the municipal Donations Policy No. 1999/131 to include an annual donation to l' Association pour l'amélioration des sole et récoltes du Nipissing Ouest-Sudbury Est / West Nipissing-Sudbury East Soils & Crop Improvement Association;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing adopts the amended the Donations Policy No. 1999/131, which shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the revised Donations Policy shall become part of the Municipality of West Nipissing's Policy Manual.

**CARRIED**

## H) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS

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A 'Notice of Motion' was submitted by Councillor Duhaime pertaining to accounts payable. The motion which reads as follows will be brought forward to the March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting :

« **WHEREAS** Council objectives are to ensure that the Municipality's financial and administrative resources are being used efficiently as possible;

**WHEREAS** accountability and transparency are a priority in maintaining public trust in Council and the management of our Municipality;

**WHEREAS** it is important to ensure that councillors have access to more information about the Municipality's accountability (finances);

**WHEREAS** this information will be essential to ensure that integrity is practiced all the time;

**WHEREAS** the accounts payable have always been part of the Municipality of West Nipissing agenda and approved on a monthly basis;

**SO THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing receive on a monthly basis the accounts payable in the same format as previously provided for review and questions of understanding. »

## I) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

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**I-1** Following a discussion during concerning the wording in the proposed policy as it relates to the manner of communication, it was suggested by The Mayor and agreed to by Council (Note: no formal motion was made nor seconded), that the matter be deferred to the third meeting in March at which time an Integrity Commissioner will have been appointed and training provided to Council. The resolution to adopt By-Law **2019/10** to establish a Council-Staff Relations Policy was deferred to March 19, 2019.

**No. 2019/038** Moved by: Councillor Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** By-Law **2019/10**, being a by-law to adopt a Council-Staff Relations Policy, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**DEFERRED TO MARCH 19, 2019**

Council was in agreement to defer this item to the March 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**I-2** Snow Removal (Y. Duhaime)

Councillor Duhaime commended staff for the excellent job in snow removal considering the extenuating circumstances caused by the unusual winter weather of this year. Councillor Duhaime also indicated that he believes that regardless of complaints received, that West Nipissing is in better shape than many communities. The Manager of Public Works indicated that snow clearing/removal priorities are made on a risk management basis and following each significant snow event, the priorities have to be re-adjusted such that high risk roads once again become highest priority thus creating a lag in lower-priority snowbank removal and other such activities.

**I-3** Infrastructure Ontario – OPP Permanent Site (D. Sénécal)

Councillor D. Sénécal informed Council that despite having followed procedures, he felt that he experienced resistance in having the requested item placed on the agenda. Councillor Senecal requested clarification as to why Council was not informed in December, 2018 that the space may be shared with other municipalities and requested assurance that those municipalities would be paying their share. The CAO explained the relationship between the OPP, the different municipalities and Infrastructure Ontario and assured council that the Municipality of West Nipissing would not be subsidizing any other municipality.

**I-4** 2019 Budget Submissions

The Treasurer distributed the 2019 Budget submission package to Council members for their review in preparation for the Feb-23<sup>rd</sup> deliberation meeting. The Treasurer indicated that the package will be distributed in electronic format tomorrow and will be posted on the website for the public. It was agreed that any discussion on the actual budget would take place on Saturday.

I-5 Prior to voting on the by-law, a discussion was held during which some members indicated some reservations in adopting the by-law without further representation by the OPP and legal advice on the contract. The CAO indicated that OPP did not feel it was appropriate to be present for this administrative phase and that the contract is a standard form which he did not believe required vetting by lawyers. Councillor

A resolution was passed to adopt By-Law **2019/11** authorizing the execution of the OPP Policing Services Contract

**No. 2019/039**     Moved by:     Councillor Larabie  
   Seconded by:     Councillor Fisher

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law **2019/11** being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement for Policing Services under Section 10 of the *Police Services Act* between the Municipality of West Nipissing and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services (herein referred to as the "Policing Services Contract") shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

Discussion ensued during which a variety of questions were raised by both Councillor Lise and Denis Sénécal concerning the contract and lack of certainty and review of the document; a motion was tabled by Mayor Savage to defer this matter to an alternate meeting date pending confirmation of details from OPP pertaining to the 52/48 costing split and of the possible impact of the amalgamation of the Warren and Noëlville OPP stations into the new West Nipissing facility.

MOTION                     Moved by:     Councillor L. Sénécal  
   Seconded by:     Councillor D. Sénécal.

**DEFEATED**

A recorded vote was requested by Councillor Malette for the original tabled resolution. Councillor Lise Sénécal indicated that although she is aware that declining to vote is a negative vote, nonetheless would not be voting due to uncertainties.

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DUHAIME, Yvon	---	---
FISHER, Christopher	✓	
LARABIE, Roland	✓	
MALETTE, Léo	✓	
ROVEDA, Dan	✓	
SÉGUIN, Jeremy	✓	
SÉNÉCAL, Denis		✓
SÉNÉCAL, Lise	---	---
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)		✓

**CARRIED**

J) **ADDENDUM / ADDENDA**

K) **INFORMATION & QUESTIONS / INFORMATION ET QUESTIONS**

K-1 The Mayor gave her report.

L) **CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS.....NIL**

M) **ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT**

M-1 A resolution was passed to adopt By-law **2019/12** confirming the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on February 19, 2019.

**No. 2019/040**    Moved by:    Councillor Fisher  
                          Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. **2019/12** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**CARRIED**

**M-2**    A resolution was passed to adjourn the meeting of Council.

**No. 2019/041**    Moved by:    Councillor Fisher  
                          Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting of Council held on February 19, 2019 be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

  
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JOANNE SAVAGE  
MAYOR

  
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MELANIE DUCHARME  
CLERK