



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

**MINUTES OF THE COMBINED COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6th, 2018 AT 6:30 PM**

PRESENT: MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE
COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME
COUNCILLOR GUY FORTIER
COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE
COUNCILLOR LEO MALETTE
COUNCILLOR JAMIE RESTOULE
COUNCILLOR NORMAND ROBERGE
COUNCILLOR GUILLES TESSIER

ABSENT: COUNCILLOR DENISE BRISSON

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

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

B) ADDENDUM (IF APPLICABLE) AND AGENDA / ADDENDA (SI NÉCESSAIRE) ET ORDRE DU JOUR

B-1 A resolution was passed to approve the Addendum.

No. 2018/30 Moved by: Councillor Fortier
Seconded by: Councillor Roberge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Addendum for the meeting of Council held on February 6, 2018 be adopted as presented / amended. **CARRIED**

B-2 A resolution was passed to adopt the Agenda.

No. 2018/31 Moved by: Councillor Roberge
Seconded by: Councillor Fortier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on February 6, 2018 be adopted as presented / amended. **CARRIED**

C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONS

C-1 Downtown Beautification Committee (*Presenter: Dan Roveda and Gayle Primeau*)

Mr. Roveda made a presentation to Council to inform members of the downtown beautification project. Gayle Primeau summarized the activities of the committee over the past year and thanked all participants including local businesses and municipal staff. The committee requested financial assistance from the municipality in the magnitude of \$2,500 – \$5,000 in order to enhance their activities including purchase of flowers, pesticides and other supplies for the project. Council agreed to consider the request in conjunction with the upcoming budget discussions.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING /
COMITÉ PLÉNIER**

D-1) ENVIRONMENTAL / L'ENVIRONNEMENT

NIL

D-2) GENERAL GOVERNMENT / GOUVERNEMENT GÉNÉRAL

D-2(a) Discussion re Proposed Amendments to the Procedural By-Law

The Municipal Clerk summarized recently legislated changes to the Procedural By-Law as well as changes made as a result of recent motions tabled. In addition, some suggested additions were discussed in relation to the reconsideration sections of the by-law. Council agreed to the legislated changes; Council did not believe that there was any need for a Consent Agenda. A discussion was held concerning the use of electronic devices in Council meetings. The Mayor suggested that a definition of electronic devices be included as well as language which would indicate that such devices be used for the purpose of accessing information for the purpose of doing council business at the table. Council also suggested that the Agenda format move Notice of Motion to after unfinished business. The mayor requested that the inaugural meeting include no council business. The mayor requested that staff research how other municipalities deal with petitions and in particular, how it can be dealt with concerning matters which have already been dealt with by Council. The mayor also suggested language be included to recognize that council are shareholders of municipally controlled corporations.

D-2(b) OPP Update

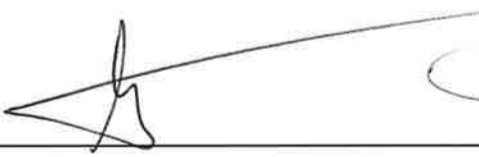
The CAO provided a verbal update to the ongoing matters with respect to the transitioning to OPP for local policing including the selection of a permanent site, a temporary site and the process for commencing the disbandment process. The CAO clarified the process for the human resources selection which is concurrent with the disbandment process. The CAO also indicated that he has been monitoring the situation in Midland and has been in communication with the local police as to his findings.

D-2(c) Discussion Regarding OPP Petition


Council discussed the petition received on January 6th concerning the rescindment of the by-law accepting the OPP costing proposal and requesting that council consider putting a question on the ballot for the upcoming municipal election. Councillor Roberge reminded Councillor Duhaime of his prior declaration of pecuniary interest. The Mayor indicated that she will be bringing 2 Notices of Motion; Councillor Tessier raised a point of order that the Mayor is in violation of the Procedural By-Law in that she did not support her council by signing the petition. The Chair ruled on the point of order and agreed that the Mayor was in violation of the By-Law.

D-2(d) Request for Exemption from Section 5.2 of By-Law 2015/62 (overnight winter parking)

Council considered a request from a local taxi business to be exempted from the overnight parking provisions of the Traffic and Parking By-Law. Recent by-law enforcement has brought to light that there is no exemption to the overnight parking provisions regardless of the type of business. Council was agreeable to amending the by-law to reflect that the taxi company be exempted from the overnight parking provisions.



Guy Fortier,
Chair



Melanie Ducharme,
Clerk

D-3) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

D-3(a) Discussion re: Building Permit Fees

Council was provided with a memo concerning the amendment of building fees to reflect the allocation of fees for similarly sized buildings. Currently, the fees are based on project value and the CBO is recommending that the fees be based on gross floor area which will make the process fair for both the community and the municipality. The mayor requested that the matter be further investigated in order to ensure that the municipality does not disadvantage itself by increasing the building fees. It was agreed that the fees be further reviewed at budget discussions on February 10th.

D-4) EMERGENCY MEASURES AND PUBLIC SAFETY / MESURES D'URGENCE ET SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE NIL

D-5) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE NIL

D-6) SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH / SERVICES SOCIAUX ET SANTÉ NIL

D-7) PUBLIC WORKS / TRAVAUX PUBLICS NIL

D-8) COMMUNITY SERVICES / SERVICES COMMUNAUTAIRES

D-8(a) Summer Programming Changes

The Director of Community Services provided information to Council concerning the discontinuance of the summer day-camp program. The services is experiencing challenges both with regard to staffing and to location. The Director also indicated that the Tourism Centre is not being utilized other than as a place to use the washroom and he recommended that the centre not be staffed on a full-time basis by dedicated staff. Council raised concern at discontinuing the day camp service which is so highly utilized; however there was acknowledgment that the liability in providing such a service is increasing. The Director agreed to explore options and bring a report back to Council for options to replace the day-camp program which do not involve the level of liability that a day camp does.



Léo Malette,
Acting Chair



Stephan Poulin,
Director of Economic Development and
Community Services

D-9) SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L'EAU NIL

REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING /
RÉUNION RÉGULIÈRE

E) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION NIL

F) CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURIER NIL

G) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHÉ NIL

H) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

H-1 A resolution was passed authorizing the Field Winter Carnival as a Community Event.

No. 2018/32 Moved by: Councillor Fortier
 Seconded by: Councillor Roberge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Field Winter Carnival being held from February 8-11, 2018, be declared as a Community Event.

CARRIED

H-2 A resolution was passed requesting the safety examination of the intersection at Highway 575 and Highway 17.

No. 2018/33 Moved by: Councillor Roberge
 Seconded by: Councillor Fortier

WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation is responsible for ensuring the safety of travellers on all Ontario Highways;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing is served by many Provincial Highways including Highways 17, 64, 575, 539 and 805;

AND WHEREAS residents have expressed safety concerns with regard to the intersection of Highway 17 and Highway 575, particularly for travellers who must make a left-hand turn at the intersection where Highway 17 traffic is moving at high rates of speed;

AND WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing, at its meeting of November 7, 2017, discussed the matter and made recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing requests the Ministry of Transportation to carry out an examination of the intersection of Highway 575 and Highway 17 in the geographic Township of Caldwell, Municipality of West Nipissing, to ensure the continued safety and security of all travellers on Highway 575 and Highway 17;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to John Vanthoff, MPP for Timiskaming-Cochrane and to the Honourable Katherine McGarry, Minister of Transportation.

CARRIED

I) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA

NIL

J) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS

J-1 Two (2) Notices of Motion were presented to the Clerk by Mayor Savage.

- (i) Motion to Rescind By-Law 2017/85 accepting the OPP Proposal
- (ii) Motion to Place the question of policing on the 2018 Election Ballot

These motions will be brought forward to the Feb-13th Council meeting for consideration.

K) INFORMATION & QUESTIONS / INFORMATION ET QUESTIONS

K-1 The Mayor gave her report.

L) CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS

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

No. 2018/34 Moved by: Councillor Fortier
 Seconded by: Councillor Roberge

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 employee;
 - (i) Personnel Matter
- (E) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
 - (ii) Litigation Update
- (C) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality of local board;
 - (iii) Agreement to purchase land for OPP permanent site

CARRIED

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

No. 2018/35 Moved by: Councillor Malette
 Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Closed meeting of Council held on February 6th, 2018 be adjourned at 10:18 PM in order to proceed with the regular meeting

CARRIED

M) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

M-1 A resolution was passed to adopt By-law **2018/07** confirming the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on February 6, 2018.

No. 2018/36 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. **2018/07** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 6th day of February 2018, 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.

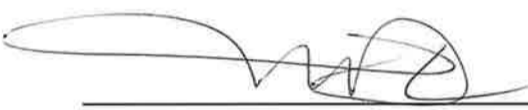
No. 2018/37 Moved by: Councillor Malette
 Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council held on February 6, 2018 be adjourned.

CARRIED



JOANNE SAVAGE
MAYOR



MELANIE DUCHARME
CLERK