

# 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, JANUARY 9, 2018 AT 6:30 PM

**PRESENT:** MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE

**COUNCILLOR DENISE BRISSON COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME COUNCILLOR GUY FORTIER COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE** COUNCILLOR LEO MALETTE **COUNCILLOR JAMIE RESTOULE COUNCILLOR NORMAND ROBERGE**  **ABSENT:** COUNCILLOR GUILLES TESSIER

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

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

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

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

No. 2018/01

Moved by:

Councillor Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Addendum for the meeting of Council held on January 9, 2018 be adopted as □ presented / □ amended.

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

No. 2018/02

Moved by:

Councillor Malette

Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on January 9, 2018 be adopted as **▼** presented / □ amended.

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

#### C-1 Petition from 'Groupe de bénévoles du Nipissing Ouest' (Presenter: Lise Sénécal)

Mme Sénécal submitted a petition to Council, containing approx. 1,519 signatures requesting the rescindment of By-Law 2017/85 and to put the question on municipal policing on the next municipal election ballot. Mme Sénécal proposed three options:

- (1) Rescind the by-law and put the question to the people;
- (2) Wait three years before making a decision; or
- (3) Do nothing and proceed with the decision to transition to the OPP for municipal policing.

Council received the petition.

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

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL / L'ENVIRONNEMENT** D-1)

NIL

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT / GOUVERNEMENT GÉNÉRAL D-2)

### 2018 Budget Deliberations: Date recommendations D-2 (a)

The CAO provided a memo to Council suggesting that the full-day budget deliberation session be held on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30 AM. Following discussion, Council agreed to inform the

Clerk of their availability. In addition, it was recommended that arrangements be made to televise the deliberations.

# D-2 (b) OPP Update

The CAO informed Council that a meeting was held with the OPP in late November to discuss certain transitional issues. At a worst case scenario, the transition would take place upon the construction of the new building; however it was not ruled out that they may assume responsibility earlier if suitable temporary facilities could be found. In addition, the CAO advised that there is some indication from the Province which may result in an amendment to the proposed facility costs in a favourable direction. Once a firm decision with respect to the timing of the transition is made, then the hearings can be held with the Ontario Civilian Police Commission (OCPC) to disband the existing force while at the same time undertaking rank determination processes for the assumption of the existing sworn officers. Councillor Duhaime requested that, in the future, written material be provided for consideration prior to the meeting. The CAO agreed to provide further written information concerning the OCPC hearing process.

# D-2 (c) Discussion re: Procedure regarding Agenda(s)

The CAO provided Council with the new guidelines pertaining to the preparation of the Council agenda. These new guidelines seek to expedite the preparation time of the agenda whereby all subjects are to be submitted to the Clerk's office by end of business day on Wednesday with any supporting documentation to follow by end of business day on Thursday. Council was in agreement with the CAO's recommendation and it was also suggested that the recommendations be entrenched in policy.

- **D-2 (d)** (i) A resolution to authorize the reconsideration of the Code of Conduct for Council was defeated. (refer to Addendum section)
  - (ii) Discussion re: Code of Conduct

The matter was not discussed based on the preceding resolution.

### D-2 (e) Discussion re: Request for rental support – Filles d'Isabelle

Council was provided with a request letter from les Filles d'Isabelle seeking assistance with their rent in the amount of \$300.00 per month. Following discussion, Council was agreeable to renewing the existing commitment.

## D-2 (f) Follow-Up re: Lavigne Music Festival

As a result of information posted on a social media sight, the Mayor sought clarification pertaining to the financing of the 2017 Lavigne Music Festival where the Municipality granted a short-term loan. Councillor Fortier indicated that the update had been provided to staff and that there had been a shortfall. In addition, Councillor Fortier indicated that it has not yet been decided if the festival will proceed in 2018.

## D-2 (g) Minnehaha Bay – Financing

The Mayor sought to clarify statements in the local media pertaining to the approval and financing surrounding the construction of Minnehaha Bay. The Treasurer indicated that the books have been closed on that project since 2013 and prior thereto had been fully audited.

Guy Fortier,

Chair

Melanie Ducharme,

Clerk

D-3) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

NIL

EMERGENCY MEASURES AND PUBLIC SAFETY / MESURES D'URGENCE ET SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE NIL D-4) D-5) **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE** NIL SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH / SERVICES SOCIAUX ET SANTÉ NIL D-6) **PUBLIC WORKS / TRAVAUX PUBLICS** D-7) Update - Public Works The CAO shared with Council that there is a delay in receiving the new snow blower which was to assist with snowbank removal. He indicates that in the interim snowbank removal will be performed as in the past. Jussis Jean Pierre (Jay) Barbeau, Guilles Tessier Chief Administrative Officer Chair D-8) **COMMUNITY SERVICES / SERVICES COMMUNAUTAIRES** NIL NIL SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L'EAU D-9) **REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING / RÉUNION RÉGULIÈRE** E) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION NIL CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURIER NIL F) **UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHE** NIL G) NIL **NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES** H) I) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA D-2 (d) (i)

A resolution to authorize the reconsideration of the Code of Conduct for Council was defeated.

**Councillor Duhaime** No. 2018/03 Moved by: Seconded by: Councillor Restoule

WHEREAS at the meeting held on January 20th, 2015, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed By-Law 2015/08 to adopt a Code of Conduct Policy for Council;

AND WHEREAS at the meeting held on March 14th, 2017, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed Resolution 2017/82 to abolish the previously adopted Code of Conduct Policy for Council;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 17.11 of the Procedural By-Law 2015/13 which states that any question decided either for or against, shall NOT be reconsidered within a year, until a motion to reconsider has been adopted by no less than 2/3 of the members present;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing authorizes the reconsideration of the Code of Conduct Policy for Council.

**DEFEATED** 

A recorded vote was requested as follows:

	YEAS	NAYS
BRISSON, Denise		✓
DUHAIME, Yvon	✓	
FORTIER, Guy	✓	
LARABIE, Roland		✓
MALETTE, Léo	✓	
RESTOULE, Jamie	<b>✓</b>	
ROBERGE, Normand		✓
TESSIER, Guilles		
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)	<b>✓</b>	

#### **NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS** J)

NIL

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

K-1 The Mayor gave her report.

#### **CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS** L)

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

No. 2018/04

Moved by:

Councillor Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor Malette

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

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
  - **Property Enforcement Issue**

**CARRIED** 

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

No. 2018/05

Moved by:

**Councillor Fortier** 

Seconded by: Councillor Brisson

BE IT BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Closed meeting of Council held on January 9th, 2018 be adjourned at 8:33 PM in order to proceed with the regular meeting

**CARRIED** 

#### ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT M)

M-1 A resolution was passed to adopt By-law 2018/01 confirming the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on January 9, 2018.

No. 2018/06

Moved by:

**Councillor Brisson** 

Seconded by: Councillor Fortier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2018/01 being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 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. 2018/07

Moved by:

**Councillor Fortier** 

Seconded by: Councillor Brisson

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting of Council held on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adjourned.

**CARRIED** 

JOANNE SAVAGE

MAYOR

**MELANIE DUCHARME** 

**CLERK**