

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

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019 AT 6:30 PM

PRESENT: MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE

COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME
COUNCILLOR CHRISTOPHER FISHER
COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE
COUNCILLOR DAN ROVEDA
COUNCILLOR JEREMY SÉGUIN
COUNCILLOR DENIS SÉNÉCAL

ABSENT: COUNCILLOR LÉO MALETTE

COUNCILLOR LISE SÉNÉCAL

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

Councillor Seguin declared a conflict of interest in Item D6(a) – Betty Road stating that this father-in-law lives on that road and may be impacted by drainage assessments. Councillor Seguin was advised to contact the Clerk to complete the required declaration.

B) AGENDA and ADDENDUM / ORDRE DU JOUR et ADDENDA

B-1 A resolution was passed to adopt the Agenda.

No. 2019/337 Moved by: Councillor D. Sénécal

Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on October 8, 2019 be adopted as **IM** presented / □ amended.

CARRIED

C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONS

C-1 <u>Dovercourt Road - Problems with speed</u> (Presenter: Solange Cardinal and Denis Lafond)

Mrs. Solange Cardinal made a presentation to Council informing members that many residents on Dovercourt Road have concerns as it relates to the amount of traffic, including large vehicles, and the speed of vehicles travelling on this residential street. Despite the posted speed limit of 40 km/hr and installation of a 3 way stop at Niko St., speeding and traffic volume has not changed. Residents have met with OPP and they have since been monitoring and issuing tickets, but during unattended times, speeding, rolling stops, etc., continue to be an ongoing concern. Mrs. Cardinal read letters from residents on the road all stating concerns over the speeding issues on the road and making suggestions for rectification. Following discussion, Council indicated that the matter would be referred to Committee of the Whole on November 5 for discussion.

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D-2) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

D-2(a) Proposed Licensing Agreement for Camping Trailers/RV's in West Nipissing

The Clerk sought direction from Council concerning the matter of camping trailers. Council directed staff to commence public consultation. It was suggested that staff make arrangements for public meetings in the communities of Field, Verner, Sturgeon Falls, River Valley and Lavigne.

Denis Sénécal Melanie Ducharme. Chair Municipal Planner

EMERGENCY MEASURES AND PUBLIC SAFETY / MESURES D'URGENCE ET SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE D-3)

D-3(a) Fire Services - Dispatching

The Fire Chief provided information concerning recent changes to 911 dispatching for Fire Services. Council expressed concern regarding the lack of communication regarding the changes and felt that the matter should have been brought to Council for communication prior to implementation.

D-3(b) Community Safety and Well-Being Plan - List of community partners

As requested at the October 1st Council meeting, Council was presented with a list of municipal partners that could contribute to the development of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. The Mayor suggested that College Boreal, WN Child Care Corporation, Centre d'Horizon, Fire Services, Chamber of Commerce and Nipissing First Nation be added to the list. Councillor Roveda suggested the Alzheimer's Society and also stated that the Municipality consult with Guy Robichaud (WNCHC) to find out which other organisations provide services in our community. Councillor Séguin suggested that the Library be added to the list and that perhaps some youth element be added to the compliment. It was suggested that the group be assembled to find out what support and/or funding the various organizations can bring to the table prior to proceeding. The Mayor, Councillors Fisher and Roveda agreed to be part of the initial round-table discussions.

Christopher Fisher

Chair

Melanie Ducharme,

Clerk

D-4) **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE**

D-4(a) Discussion re: Structure of Economic Development Committee

The Mayor opened dialogue with Council to discuss the re-ignition of the Economic Development Committee. The Director of Economic Development and Community Services provided Council with the Terms of Reference for the previous committee and sought Council's direction as to the composition of the committee and if Council wishes staff to do the legwork and bring recommendations back to Council. Following discussion, Council agreed to put out a public call of interest to begin the process of putting a committee together moving into budget deliberations. Council also suggested that the composition of the committee should contain a diverse membership.

Joanne Savage

Chair

Stephan Poulin,

Director of Economic Development and

Community Services

D-5)

D-6) **PUBLIC WORKS / TRAVAUX PUBLICS**

D-6(a) **Betty Road**

The Planner provided Council with information concerning ongoing discussions with residents of Betty Road regarding erosion concerns on their property. Following discussions, Council concurred with staff recommendation that the road authority execute a Petition for Drainage which will address the problem in an equitable manner. The Mayor also suggested that the ditching on Betty Road be looked at in its entirety to ensure no further drainage issues are experienced.

D-6(b) Nature's Trail Bridge

The CAO provided Council with information concerning the ongoing matter of Nature's Trail Bridge. New information has been received from the Engineers; which indicates that the project may be able to move forward with the project timing and location preferred by residents; however the cost of so doing will increase substantially. Following discussion, Council agreed that the residents be informed of the new information and that the matter be further discussed at budget deliberations to determine what level of funding be allocated to this project.

Yvon Duhaime, Chair lean-Pierre (Jay) Barbeau, Chief Administrative Officer

D-7) COMMUNITY SERVICES / SERVICES COMMUNAUTAIRES

D-7(a) Sturgeon Falls – Arena Canteen

The Mayor wished to open the matter of the canteen at the Sturgeon Falls Arena. The Director of Community Services shared that the Sturgeon Falls Lynx organization is seeing good attendance at its games and has reached out to find out if the Municipality would be willing to allow them to operate the canteen during Lynx games. The Director indicated that he will reach out to the organizations including the Lynx and minor hockey to see if there is a will to work together to operate the canteen to a level which is acceptable to all involved.

Jéremy Ségvin,

Chair

Stephan Poulin,

Director of Economic Development and

Community Services

REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING / RÉUNION RÉGULIÈRE

- E) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHE
- F) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS
- G) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES
 - G-1 A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law 2019/86 to impose special annual drainage rates (Norman and Jacinthe Dalcourt)

No. 2019/338

Moved by:

Councillor Duhaime

Seconded by:

Councillor Roveda

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law **2019/86**, 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 Normand and Jacinthe Dalcourt, (Lots 9 and 10, Concession 1, Twp. Kirkpatrick) 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 approve By-Law 2019/87 to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes (Pt of Nipissing Rd in Sturgeon Falls)

No. 2019/339 Moved by: Councillor Roveda Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2019/87**, being a by-law to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

Part of Lots 1 and 2, Plan 43
Part 7, Plan 36R-13242
Parts 1 and 2, Plan 36R-14374
Geographic Town of Sturgeon Falls
Municipality of West Nipissing
District of Nipissing

Being parts of the travelled roads known as chemin Nipissing and Salter Streets, Sturgeon Falls, Ontario.

CARRIED

G-3 A resolution was passed to accept the recommendations from the Ombudsman's Report.

No. 2019/340 Moved by: Councillor Larabie
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

WHEREAS the office of the Ombudsman for the Province of Ontario undertook an investigation regarding complaints made that the Municipality held an improper closed meeting on March 19, 2019;

AND WHEREAS on October 3, 2019, the Ontario Ombudsman completed its investigation and issued a report and recommendations;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Ombudsman Act*, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing is required to pass a resolution stating how it intends to address the report;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT:

- All members of council for the Municipality of West Nipissing will be vigilant in adhering to their individual and collective obligation to ensure that council complies with its responsibilities under the *Municipal Act*, 2001 and its own Procedure By-Law.
- The Municipality of West Nipissing will ensure that resolutions to proceed in camera will provide
 a general description of the issue to be discussed in a way that maximizes the information
 available to the public while not undermining the reason for excluding the public.
- 3. Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing will cite the closed meeting exceptions in the Act that apply to the matters considered during the in camera discussion.
- 4. All members of council for the Municipality of West Nipissing will ensure that their conduct is consistent with the expectations set out in Procedure By-Law No. 2018/26, as amended from time to time.

CARRIED

H) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA

I) INFORMATION & QUESTIONS / INFORMATION ET QUESTIONS

I-1 The Mayor gave her report.

K) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

A resolution was passed to adopt By-law 2019/88 confirming the proceedings of Council at its meeting K-1 held on October 8, 2019.

No. 2019/341 **Councillor Duhaime** Moved by:

Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2019/88 being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 8th day of October 2019, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

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

No. 2019/342

Moved by:

Councillor Fisher

Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council held on October 8, 2019 be adjourned.

CARRIED

JOANNE SAVAGE

MAYOR

MELANIE DUCHARME

CLERK