



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, APRIL 6, 2021 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
WARD 7 (vacant)

ABSENT:

VIRTUAL MEETING / RÉUNION VIRTUELLE

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 Approve the Addendum.

No. 2021/114 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor C. Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Addendum for the meeting of Council held on April 6, 2021 be adopted as ☒ presented / ☐ amended.

DEFEATED

B-2 Adopt the Agenda.

No. 2021/115 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on April 6, 2021 be adopted as ☐ presented / ☒ **amended; by deferring Item Item D2(b) to April 20, 2021 meeting.**

CARRIED

C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONS

C-1 **Nature's Trail Bridge Project** (*Presenter: Dave McLaughlin*)

Mr. Dave McLaughlin made a presentation to Council to inform members concerning the Nature's Trail Bridge beginning with a brief history of the project since 2018 stating the concerns of the residents from the beginning. Mr. McLaughlin provided a list of requests from the community regarding the ongoing project including, among other things, a request that the project be carried out at a specific time of the year, that the project be made shovel ready and that residents be kept apprised of all details concerning the project going forward.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

D-1) SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L'EAU

D-1(a) Discussion re : Summary Management Review of the Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) Report

The Drinking Water Reports for Sturgeon Falls and Verner were distributed to Council via e-mail on March 29, 2021. The Chair of Water and Sewer provided an introduction and requested comments or questions from Council on specific questions or comments which they may have. Council was appreciative of the information received and thanked the Manager.

« Councillor D. Roveda »

Dan Roveda,
Chair

« Jean-Pierre (Jay) Barbeau »

Jean-Pierre (Jay) Barbeau,
Chief Administrative Officer

D-2) GENERAL GOVERNMENT / GOUVERNEMENT GÉNÉRAL

D-2(a) Breakdown of Legal Fees

The Director of Corporate Services provided Council with a breakdown of legal fees as requested at a previous budget meeting. Some discussion was held regarding specific legal and/or professional fee(s) with a request being for detailed information regarding specific legal expenses. Following discussion, it was agreed that a report was not required, however Council was free to request specific information during budget discussions.

D-2(b) Sale of land on Villeneuve Court (west side)

This item was deferred to April 20, 2021 meeting.

D-2(c) Use of crypto-currency as form of payment (C. Fisher)

Councillor Fisher provided Council with information pertaining to crypto-currency with the goal of determining Council's interest in accepting crypto-currency as a form of payment for municipal bills/invoices. Some members were in favour of exploring the opportunity provided that there is no additional work or risk involved in partaking in such an opportunity, however some felt it needed further investigation. It was ultimately determined that Council did not support further investigation.

« Councillor L. Sénécal »

Lise Sénécal,
Chair

« Melanie Ducharme »

Melanie Ducharme,
Clerk

D-3) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION NIL

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

D-4(a) Update re: COVID Pandemic

Council was updated on the temporary measures currently in place with respect to the most recent restrictions imposed by the province. The Director of Community Services elaborated on municipal facilities and advised that the pool and fitness centres will remain closed. Organized activities cannot take place on municipal property during the shut-down. The Fire Chief provided information concerning the recent vaccination clinic at the complex advising that more than 1000 persons were vaccinated with another clinic coming this Friday with all spaces booked for that particular clinic. Councillor Roveda also advised that health professionals will be receiving vaccines this coming Friday at the Community Health Centre. The Mayor elaborated on recent meetings of northern Ontario mayors with the Health Unit. Northern Ontario is currently about 6-8 weeks behind southern Ontario communities.

« Councillor C. Fisher »

Christopher Fisher,
Chair

« Melanie Ducharme »

Melanie Ducharme,
Clerk

D-5) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE NIL

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

D-7) ENVIRONMENTAL / L'ENVIRONNEMENT NIL

MOTION FOR RECESS: at approx. 7:50 PM, a motion was tabled for a 15 minute recess; following which the meeting will continue.

No. 2021/116 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Sénécal

CARRIED

REGULAR COUNCIL / SÉANCE RÉGULIÈRE

E) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

E-1 **By-Law 2021/26 to approve Plan of Subdivision on Promenade du Lac Rd. (SUBD 2019/01)**

No. 2021/117 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor C. Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law **2021/26**, being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Subdivision Agreement with Patrick O'Connor (SUBD 2019/01); shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-2 **By-Law 2021/27 to repeal By-Law 2019/71 for zoning amendment on Champagne Rd.**

No. 2021/118 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law **2021/27**, being a by-law to repeal By-Law no. 2019/71, a by-law to rezone certain lands on Champagne Road from Residential One (R1) to Residential One Zone exception-2 (R1-2); shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E-3 **Letter of Concurrence to Xplornet Communications Inc. for tower in Lavigne**

No. 2021/119 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor C. Fisher

WHEREAS Xplornet Communications Inc. wishes to erect a free standing 45 metre self-supporting lattice telecommunications tower on a site located at 10623 Hwy. 64, Lavigne, in the Township of Macpherson, West Nipissing, District of Nipissing to meet the needs for high quality, high speed internet services in West Nipissing;

AND WHEREAS Xplornet Communications Inc. has complied with the Municipality of West Nipissing's Policy No. 2012-407 for establishing Telecommunications Tower/Antennae Facilities in circulating notice with regard to the construction of the proposed tower and by holding the required public consultations;

AND WHEREAS Xplornet Communications Inc. is required by Industry Canada to consult with land use authorities and to obtain a statement of concurrence therefrom;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing hereby approves that the Municipality issue a statement of concurrence to Xplornet Communications Inc. for the proposed free standing Telecommunications Tower at 10623 Hwy. 64, Lavigne, in the Township of Macpherson, West Nipissing Municipality for the delivery of high-speed internet services in West Nipissing.

CARRIED

F) CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURRIER

- F-1** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2021/120 Moved by: Councillor L. Malette
 Seconded by: Councillor D. Roveda

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 15th, 2021 be adopted, as ☒ presented / ☐ amended. **CARRIED**
- F-2** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2021/121 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting of Council held on March 16th, 2021 be adopted, as ☐ presented / ☒ **amended; with correction of Chair for Item D-5.** **CARRIED**
- F-3** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2021/122 Moved by: Councillor L. Malette
 Seconded by: Councillor C. Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 22nd, 2021 be adopted, as ☒ presented / ☐ amended. **CARRIED**
- F-4** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2021/123 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 24th, 2021 be adopted, as ☒ presented / ☐ amended. **CARRIED**
- F-5** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.

No. 2021/124 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Special / Budget meeting of Council held on March 29th, 2021 be adopted, as ☒ presented / ☐ amended. **CARRIED**
- F-6** Receive the minutes of the following boards/committees:

No. 2021/125 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

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

BOARD / COMMITTEE NAME	MEETING DATES
West Nipissing Public Library Board	• February 11, 2021
District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB)	• February 24, 2021

CARRIED

G) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHE **NIL**

H) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS **NIL**

I) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

I-1 Award RFP for the operation of the Cache Bay Trailer Park

No. 2021/126 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS three (3) proposals for the operation of the Cache Bay Trailer Park were received by the Municipality of West Nipissing;

AND WHEREAS the proposals have been reviewed and evaluated based on the criteria identified in the request for proposal, by the Director of Economic Development and Community Services and the Project Manager for Community Services;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the operation of the Cache Bay Trailer Park be awarded to **ANTOINE GUENETTE**, conditional upon entering into a mutually satisfactory lease agreement for both parties.

CARRIED

I-2 Endorsement of the WN Economic Development Committee - 2021 Priority List

No. 2021/127 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor R. Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing hereby endorses the West Nipissing Economic Development Committee's Priorities for 2021; as presented by the Chair, Bruno Lepage, at the February 16th, 2021 meeting of Council.

CARRIED

I-3 Accept the Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) Report as presented

No. 2021/128 Moved by: Councillor D. Roveda
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

WHEREAS the *Safe Drinking Water Act* 2002, Ontario Regulation 170/03, Schedule 22, requires that the 2020 Summary Reports for Sturgeon Falls and Verner, and the Annual Reports for Sturgeon Falls and Verner for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 were prepared and delivered to Council on March 29th, 2021, by the Manager of Water and Wastewater Operations;

AND WHEREAS a Summary Management Review of the Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) is provided to members of Council by March 31, of each year;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council confirms receipt of the above-mentioned reports and confirms that the Manager of Water and Wastewater Operations provided an overview of the Report at the Meeting of Council held on April 6th, 2021, during which members were provided the opportunity to question the Manager of Water and Wastewater Operations.

CARRIED

I-4 Authorize the CAO to sign the Fire Safety Grant Agreement

No. 2021/129 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) be authorized to sign an Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal with regard to the Fire Safety Grant Transfer Payment Agreement, ending on August 1, 2021.

CARRIED

I-5 Award of the Road Sweeping Tender

No. 2021/130 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS quotations for the 2021 Road Sweeping were opened publicly on March 24, 2021 by the Manager of Public Works and Municipal Clerk;

AND WHEREAS one (1) tender was received;

AND WHEREAS the quotation has been reviewed and the award being recommended herein consists of the best price meeting all of the specifications for 2021;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the quotation for the 2021 Road Sweeping be awarded to **LAFOND SNOW REMOVAL & SWEEPING LTD.**, having submitted the lowest quotation of \$124,765.00 meeting all the specifications.

CARRIED

I-6 Award of for the Supply of Granular Material Tender

No. 2021/131 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor C. Fisher

WHEREAS tenders for the supply of granular material for 2021 were received and opened publicly on March 25, 2021, by the Manager of Public Works and the Municipal Clerk;

AND WHEREAS the tender has been reviewed and the awards being recommended herein consist of the best prices meeting all of the specifications for 2021;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with this recommendation;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the tender for the supply of granular material for 2021 be awarded as follows:

(1)	ROLEO SÉGUIN be awarded :	
	Pit Run Gravel	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls
(2)	ED SÉGUIN & SONS be awarded :	
	Granular 'A' Rock Quarry	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls, Verner and Field
	Modified 'B' - Type I	→ Delivered to Verner
	Modified 'B' - Type II	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls, Verner and Field
	Modified 'B' - Type II (100% pass 37.5 mm)	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls, Verner and Field
	Clear Stone – Type II	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls and Verner
	Rip-Rap (Shot Rock)	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls, Verner and Field
(3)	CANOR be awarded :	
	Modified 'B' - Type I	→ Delivered to Sturgeon Falls and Field
	Pit Run Gravel	→ Delivered to Verner & Field
(4)	LABELLE BROTHERS be awarded :	
	Clear Stone – Type II	→ Delivered to Field

CARRIED

I-7 Award of the Grass Cutting Tender

No. 2021/132 Moved by: Councillor L. Malette
 Seconded by: Councillor D. Roveda

WHEREAS tenders were called for road side grass cutting along municipal roads and streets in the Municipality of West Nipissing;

AND WHEREAS one (1) tender was received;

AND WHEREAS on March 23, 2021, the tender was opened publicly by the Director of Corporate Services and the Manager of Public Works;

AND WHEREAS the Manager of Public Works has reviewed the tender and is satisfied that the award being recommended herein consists of the best price meeting all of the specifications for 2021; with options for 2022, 2023 and 2024 seasons;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the tender for road side grass cutting along municipal roads and streets be awarded to **FIELD VIEW FARMS INC.**, having submitted the lowest quotation of \$26,550.00 meeting all the specifications; with options for 2022, 2023 and 2024 seasons.

CARRIED

I-8 Authorize donation for rental supplement for Les Filles d’Isabelle

No. 2021/133 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS at the April 6th meeting, Council received a request from Les Filles d’Isabelle requesting that the financial assistance received from the Municipality of West Nipissing, to be applied toward their leasing responsibilities, be continued for the year 2021;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the financial contribution of \$3,600.00 (\$300.00 per month) be sustained for Les Filles d’Isabelle, to be applied toward their operational costs for the year 2021.

CARRIED

I-9 Proclamation for “Be a Donor Month / Soyez un donneur” month

No. 2021/135 Moved by: Councillor D. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor C. Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of April 2021 as « **BE A DONOR / SOYEZ UN DONNEUR** » in the Municipality of West Nipissing.

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 Confirm the proceedings of Council.

No. 2021/135 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2021/28 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 APRIL 2021, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

M-2 Adjourn the meeting of Council.

No. 2021/136 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council held on April 6, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

« Mayor Joanne Savage »
JOANNE SAVAGE
MAYOR

« Melanie Ducharme »
MELANIE DUCHARME
CLERK