



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, MARCH 2, 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. 2021/56** Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime  
Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Addendum for the meeting of Council held on March 2, 2021 be adopted as ☒ presented / ☐ amended.

**CARRIED**

**B-2** Adopt the Agenda.

**No. 2021/57** Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher  
Seconded by: Councillor L. Sénécal

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on March 2, 2021 be adopted as ☒ presented / ☐ amended.

**CARRIED**

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

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

**D-1) GENERAL GOVERNMENT / GOUVERNEMENT GÉNÉRAL**

**D-1(a)** Proposed by-law re: Disposition of Municipal Land

Council reviewed the proposed By-Law for the disposition of municipal lands. Following discussion, it was agreed that the proposed by-law be brought to council for adoption, unamended.

**D-1(b)** Legislation re: Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Council discussed processes under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and, in particular, relating to the release of information requested by a resident with respect to the Integrity Commissioner’s report. A discussion was held regarding notice provisions, publication of the report and fees associated with the report and motions to be brought to the next meeting of Council.

**D-1(c)** Modernization Funding (Intake 2)

The Director of Corporate Services provided council with information regarding the Modernization Funding and advised that the first intake funds have not yet been allocated and, as a result, we may not apply for the second intake at this time.

**D-1(d)** Deferral of Tax Installment Dates

The Mayor brought forward a request for council to consider waiving interest and penalties on unpaid taxes for a three (3) month period in order to aid residents for the most recent lockdown. Following discussion, council agreed that interest be waived for a period of three months and, further, that payment arrangements may be made on a case-by-case basis with residents who contact the municipality to request assistance. A resolution will be brought to the next meeting for adoption.

**D-1(e)** Naming of Municipal Assets

↳ Request for renaming of municipal facility in memorial of Marcel Labbé

Council considered a proposed policy for the naming of municipal assets, including buildings and parks. Following discussion, it was agreed that staff incorporate council’s comments and suggestions concerns and bring back a by-law for consideration at the next meeting.

**D-1(f)** Request from Le Taxi re : Driver Record Checks

Staff presented a request from the owner of the local taxi company requesting that provisions of the by-law be waived as it relates to providing criminal records checks. Council agreed with staff recommendation to extend the deadline by 120 days.

« Councillor Lise Sénécal »  
Lise Sénécal,  
Chair

« Melanie Ducharme »  
Melanie Ducharme,  
Clerk

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**D-2) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION ..... NIL**

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

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**D-3(a)** COVID Update

The Director of Community Services provided information concerning the outdoor rinks which are currently open. The ice conditions will be monitored and when weather conditions deteriorate the rinks will be closed. currently waiting for provincial direction to find out whether Nipissing Parry Sound will return to the colour coded system or remain in lockdown.

**D-3(b)** Parking of Commercial Vehicles

The matter of parking of commercial vehicles was re-visited as it relates to parking of commercial vehicles on shoulders. The Clerk advised that current provisions of the Traffic and Parking By-law adequately address the concerns raised by the resident. The Mayor further requested that the other issue raised by the resident with respect to safety of ingress and egress to the neighbour’s house as it relates to parking on the property be investigated and that the information be brought back to a subsequent meeting.

« Councillor Chris Fisher »  
Christopher Fisher,

« Melanie Ducharme »  
Melanie Ducharme,

Chair

Clerk

**MOTION FOR RECESS:** at approx. 8:03 PM, a motion was tabled for a brief 15 minute recess; following which the Council meeting will continue.

**No. 2021/58**      Moved by:            Councillor Y. Duhaime  
                         Seconded by:        Councillor C. Fisher

**CARRIED**

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

**D-5)    SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH / SERVICES SOCIAUX ET SANTÉ ..... NIL**

**D-6)    SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L’EAU ..... NIL**

**D-7)    ENVIRONMENTAL / L’ENVIRONNEMENT ..... NIL**

**REGULAR COUNCIL / SÉANCE RÉGULIÈRE**

**E)    PLANNING / PLANIFICATION**

**E-1**      By-law **2021/11** to amend the Actual Cost By-Law for the Cedar Grove Drain

**No. 2021/59**      Moved by:            Councillor C. Fisher  
                         Seconded by:        Councillor Y. Duhaime

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law **2021/11**, being an Actual Cost By-Law to amend By-Law 2016/65 for the **CEDAR GROVE DRAIN** in the Municipality of West Nipissing; shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**CARRIED**

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

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

**No. 2021/60**      Moved by:            Councillor L. Malette  
                         Seconded by:        Councillor C. Fisher

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the meeting of Council held on February 16, 2021 be adopted, as ☒ presented / ☐ amended.

**CARRIED**

**F-2**      Receive the minutes of the following boards/committees:

**No. 2021/61**      Moved by:            Councillor Y. Duhaime  
                         Seconded by:        Councillor C. Fisher

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

BOARD / COMMITTEE NAME	MEETING DATES
Au Château Board of Management	• January 20, 2021

**CARRIED**

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

H) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS

I) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

I-1 By-Law 2021/12 to amend the Purchasing Policies & Procedures By-Law re: group purchasing

No. 2021/62      Moved by:      Councillor C. Fisher  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor D. Sénécal

A motion was tabled by Mayor Savage, seconded by Councillor D. Sénécal to amend By-Law 2021/12 to include LAS Group as an example at the end of Item 1.

Councillor Roveda requested a recorded vote:

	YEAS	NAYS
DUHAIME, Yvon	✓	
FISHER, Christopher		✓
LARABIE, Roland		✓
MALETTE, Léo		✓
ROVEDA, Dan		✓
WARD 7 (vacant)		
SÉNÉCAL, Denis	✓	
SÉNÉCAL, Lise	✓	
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)	✓	

DEFEATED

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2021/12, being a by-law to amend the Purchasing Policies & Procedures By-Law 2016/89, to allow for cooperative purchasing; shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

I-2 Support for the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst

At the request of the Fire Chief, Richard Maranda, this item was removed from the agenda pending receipt of additional information.

I-3 Support the Town of Parry Sound re: Pro-active communication approach from the NBPSDH

No. 2021/63      Moved by:      Councillor C. Fisher  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor D. Roveda

WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received a request for support from the Town of Parry Sound calling on the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit to take a more pro-active approach and include greater dialogue with municipal and health care leaders across the health district;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing hereby supports the Town of Parry Sound resolution and hereby calls on the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (NBPSDHU) to take a more pro-active approach to community outreach and communication through a range of communication techniques; and

THAT increased communication include greater dialogue with municipal and health care leaders across the health district in advance of announcements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Mayors and healthcare leaders within the health district, MPP for Nipissing and local MPP.

DEFEATED

I-4 Support the Twp. of Perry re: Extension Request for Community Safety & Well-Being Plan

No. 2021/64      Moved by:      Councillor C. Fisher  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received a request for support from the Township of Perry seeking an extension of the July 1, 2021 deadline for the submission of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing hereby supports the Township of Perry resolution no. 2021-67 seeking an extension of the July 1, 2021 deadline to the Solicitor General for the submission of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, MP and MPP, and all Ontario municipalities.

**CARRIED**

- I-5** Request for letter of support for Centre Communautaire de Lavigne (CCL) submission for multi-use park and playground funding application.

[🔗 Refer to Addendum Section](#)

**J) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA**

- I-5** Request for letter of support for Centre Communautaire de Lavigne (CCL) submission for multi-use park and playground funding application.

**No. 2021/65**      Moved by:      Councillor D. Roveda  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor Y. Duhaime

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of West Nipissing received a request from the Centre Communautaire de Lavigne (CCL) Board of Directors seeking support for their proposed creation of a multi-use park and playground on municipal property;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing hereby supports the Centre Communautaire de Lavigne (CCL) Board of Directors for their proposed creation of a multi-use park and playground on municipal property located at 17 Caron Road, in Lavigne;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a letter of support be issued to the Centre Communautaire de Lavigne (CCL) for inclusion in their infrastructure funding application under the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION:**      At approx. 9:35PM, a motion was tabled to extend the meeting beyond the regular curfew.

Moved by:      Councillor L. Malette  
Seconded by:      Councillor Y. Duhaime

**DEFEATED**

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

- K-1**      The Mayor gave her report.

**L) CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS ..... [DEFERRED TO NEXT MEETING](#)**

**M) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT**

- M-1**      Confirm the proceedings of Council.

**No. 2020/66**      Moved by:      Councillor R. Larabie  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor C. Fisher

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law No. **2021/13** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2021, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**CARRIED**

**M-2** Adjourn the meeting of Council.

**No. 2021/67**      Moved by:      Councillor C. Fisher  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor R. Larabie

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting of Council held on March 2, 2021 be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

« *Mayor Joanne Savage* »  
JOANNE SAVAGE  
MAYOR

« *Melanie Ducharme* »  
MELANIE DUCHARME  
CLERK