



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

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING**  
**ON MONDAY, MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 AT 1:00 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:**

**BUDGET MEETING**

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

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

**B) AGENDA / ORDRE DU JOUR**

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

**No. 2021/99** Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher  
Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda for the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 22, 2021 be adopted as  presented /  amended.

**CARRIED**

**C) 2021 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS (continuation) / PRÉSENTATION BUDGÉTAIRES POUR L'ANNÉE 2021 (suite)**

The CAO provided a brief introduction the day's proposed discussion beginning with Community projects and on to Capital and other departments if time permits:

**C-1(a) Community Services - Capital**

- The Director of Community Services provided a summary followed by discussion of the 2021 community projects:
  - \$20,000 Sturgeon Falls beautification – trash cans;
  - \$12,500 to host Canada Day, Halloween, Christmas parade;
  - \$12,500 banners and flags;
  - \$7,500 SF welcome sign;
  - \$17,500 community beautification initiatives in all communities (flowers, plants, pots, mulch, paint, garbage cans, etc.)
- The Director then moved on to Capital Equipment outlining proposed fleet acquisitions for 2021;
- The Director moved on to Capital Facilities beginning with projects being carried over from 2020, being the Field Outdoor Rink, Verner Fitness Centre and various playground repairs and upgrades;
- The Director outlined 2021 projects including replacements at the pool, relocation of the Field Playground, repairs to the Cache Bay Hall and a playground in Lavigne. The Director suggested that given the number of playgrounds being proposed that an RFP be issued in order to take advantage of economies of scale;

- The Director outlined the projects required to be done in order to make the municipality compliant with AODA legislation including the Town Hall main entrance and counter as well as items at various other municipal buildings in Verner and Cache Bay moving forward to be compliant by 2025.
- Total capital investments is \$1,990,000 for 2021;
- Council discussed the various proposed community service projects and concurred that the entire budget be presented prior to making decisions on individual projects;

**No. 2021/100**      Moved by:      Councillor R. Larabie  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor C. Fisher

At approximately **2:30 PM**, a motion was tabled for a 15 minute recess; following which the Council meeting will continue.

**CARRIED**

**C-1(b) Planning & Building**

- The Director presented the 2021 Building and Planning Budget highlighting proposed special projects for the 2021 year;
- Councillor Fisher requested a presentation from Planning & Building, similar to that brought in the past for information purposes (new housing starts, etc.)

**C-1(c) Economic Development**

- The Director presented the Economic Development Budget;
- One new position is being proposed (authorized in 2020);
- The Director outlined proposed community development projects
- Doctor recruitment to stay the same;
- The Mayor suggested that the \$25,000 earmarked for community initiatives be parked for further discussion

➤ It was agreed that discussions would continue on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 PM; which will commence with the budget for the West Nipissing Fire Service.

**D) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT**

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

**No. 2021/101**      Moved by:      Councillor L. Malette  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor R. Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2021/22 being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its BUDGET meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2021, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

**CARRIED**

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

**No. 2021/102**      Moved by:      Councillor L. Malette  
                         Seconded by:      Councillor R. Larabie

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 22, 2021 be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

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*« Joanne Savage »*  
JOANNE SAVAGE  
MAYOR

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*« Melanie Ducharme »*  
MELANIE DUCHARME  
CLERK