



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, JUNE 15th, 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.

Councillor Larabie called a point of order regarding Items on the Agenda to which he indicated that members may have conflict(s) of interest. The individuals stated that it is their own prerogative as to whether they declare a conflict and no conflicts were declared.

B) AGENDA and ADDENDUM / ORDRE DU JOUR et ADDENDA

B-1 Approve the Addendum. **NIL**

B-2 Adopt the Agenda

The Mayor noted Item E-12 is removed as a result of information received by the Clerk. The matter will be considered at the next meeting of Council.

No. 2021/213 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor D. Roveda

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on June 15, 2021 be adopted as
☐ presented / ☒ amended.

CARRIED

C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONS

C-1 Annual Integrity Commissioner Report (*Presenters: Patrice Cormier, BA, LLB*)

Prior to making his presentation, Mr. Patrice Cormier provided reminders of the statutory authority of his office and the roles and responsibilities of an Integrity Commissioner. Mr. Cormier noted that while it would be normal that the number of complaints would reduce following the initial year, in the case of West Nipissing, the numbers of complaints has increased. The IC then enumerated the 2020 complaints in general terms and the overall cost to the municipality as a result of these complaints. The Mayor opened the floor to comments. The report will be shared to the Clerk of the Municipality who will then pass it on to members of Council. The Mayor queried as to how questions can be sent on to the IC who indicated that a single email be sent to the IC. A discussion ensued regarding future delivery of reports.

D) ENVIRONMENTAL / L'ENVIRONNEMENT

D-1 Environmental Services Budget

The CAO followed up on information in the Agenda and the options presented in the budget document.

Members discussed the matter of recycling bins to be provided in the communities of Cache Bay and Lavigne. Several members indicated that they could not support bins in Cache Bay. ~~There was no clear consensus on the numbers of bins to be placed in Lavigne and the matter of how many bins be left to the Manager.~~ **Council agreed to the recommendation of the Manager for 6 bins.** [amendment]

(i) Approve expenditures for the 2021 Solid Waste Management

No. 2021/214 Moved by: Councillor D. Roveda

Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS at the SPECIAL BUDGET meeting held on April 26th and June 15th, 2021 deliberations were held to discuss expenditure estimates for the Management of Solid Waste for the year 2021;

AND WHEREAS Council approved the expenditure estimates for the Management of Solid Waste for the year 2021;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing approves the expenditure estimates for the Management of Solid Waste, in the amount of **\$1,865,082.00**, for the year 2021; which represents a levy increase of 1.28%.

CARRIED

(ii) By-Law 2021/44 to Set Solid Waste Management Rates for 2021

No. 2021/215 Moved by: Councillor D. Sénécal

Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2021/44** being a by-law to set the Solid Waste Management Rates in the Municipality of West Nipissing for the year 2021, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

E) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

E-1 Award of Tender – Purchase of Sidewalk machine

No. 2021/216 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor L. Sénécal

WHEREAS tenders for the purchase of a new Sidewalk Machine were requested by the Public Works Department;

AND WHEREAS two (2) tenders were received and opened publicly on May 27, 2021 by the Manager of Public Works and the Director of Corporate Services;

AND WHEREAS the quotations have been reviewed and the award being recommended herein consists of the best price meeting all of the required specifications;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the quotation for the of a new Sidewalk Machine for the Public Works Department be awarded to **WORK EQUIPMENT LTD.**, having submitted a quotation of \$148,995.00 meeting all the required specifications.

CARRIED

MOTION FOR RECESS: No. 2021/217 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal

Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

At approx. 8:00 PM, a motion was tabled for a brief 15-minute recess; following which the meeting will continue.

CARRIED

E-2 Award of Tender – Belanger Street

No. 2021/218 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS requests for tenders for the Reconstruction of Belanger Street in the Municipality of West Nipissing were opened publicly on May 20, 2021 by the Manager of Public Works and the Director of Corporate Services;

AND WHEREAS 2 quotations were received;

AND WHEREAS the tenders have been reviewed by Tulloch Consulting Group and the award being recommended herein consists of the best price meeting all of the specifications;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the quotation for the Reconstruction of Belanger Street Project in the Municipality of West Nipissing be awarded to **LABELLE BROS. CONSTRUCTION**, having submitted the lowest quotation of \$630,068.00, meeting all the specifications.

CARRIED

E-3 Declare various PW equipment as surplus for disposition purposes

No. 2021/219 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT certain Public Works equipment described herein be declared as surplus for the Municipality of West Nipissing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council hereby authorizes the disposal of the following surplus equipment:

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:			
	YEAR	MAKE & MODEL	VIN
(1)	1997	Ford Plow Truck (PW 201)	1FDZS96K1VVA33688
(2)	2000	Sterling Water Truck (PW 44)	2FZNEECB8YAG82973

CARRIED

E-4 Request for Exemption from Noise By-Law (B. Aubin)

No. 2021/220 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

WHEREAS a request was received from Bradley Aubin seeking Council’s authorization for an exemption of the municipal Noise By-Law in order to host a “Wedding Celebration”;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes an exemption of the Municipality of West Nipissing Noise By-Law **1999/75**, for a “Wedding Celebration”, as requested by Bradley Aubin, which will take place at 306 Marleau Road in Sturgeon Falls, on Saturday, July 17, 2021 from 12:00 PM until 1:00 AM.

CARRIED

E-5 Authorize to sign MTO Agreement re: Connecting Links Prg. (Intake 6) for Champlain Bridge

No. 2021/221 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign a Connecting Links Program Contribution Agreement (Connecting Links Program Intake 6 - 2021/22) with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Transportation, for the Champlain Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement Design project;

CARRIED

E-6 By-Law 2021/47 to assume part of Dubuc Rd., Crystal Falls

No. 2021/222 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor D. Sénécal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2021/47**, 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 S ½ LOT 8, CON 2,
PART 1, PLAN 36R-14528
GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF GRANT
MUNICIPALITY OF WESTNIPISSING,
DISTRICT OF NIPISSING.

Being parts of the travelled road known as chemin Dubuc Road, Crystal Falls, Ontario.

CARRIED

E-7 Bylaw 2021/48 to assume and close part of chemin Rivière Veuve

No. 2021/223 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
 Seconded by: Councillor R. Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2021/48**, being a by-law to accept, assume and dedicate lands for public highway purposes and a by-law to close portions of certain highways, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

Assume: Part Lot 4, Con A
 Parts 4, 5, 6 and 7, Plan 36R-14568

Close: Part Lot 4, Con. A,
 Part 2, 36R-14568

GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF CALDWELL
MUNICIPALITY OF WESTNIPISSING,
DISTRICT OF NIPISSING.

Being parts of the travelled road known as chemin Rivière Veuve, Verner, Ontario.

CARRIED

E-8 National Indigenous Day

Council discussed a request to have Council recognize National Indigenous Day and the installation of flags. Council requested staff provide a report in consultation with the First Nation neighbours to determine the best means of carrying out the request.

E-9 Proclamation to designate June 20th as Water Power Day

No. 2021/224 Moved by: Councillor L. Malette
 Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

WHEREAS at the meeting held on May 4th, 2021, Council received a presentation from the Ontario Waterpower Association;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be authorized to sign the Ontario Waterpower Champions Charter on behalf of the Municipality of West Nipissing;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be authorized to proclaim June 20th, 2021 as « **WATERPOWER DAY** » in the Municipality of West Nipissing.

CARRIED

E-10 Request for Letter of Concurrence – Xplorner Tower 12193 Hwy 17E

 *Item removed from the agenda – carried to next meeting.*

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

F-1) Community Services / Services communautaires

F-1(a) Discussion re: Sturgeon Falls Beaches

- (i) Vandalism and safety concerns at storage shed at SF beach
- (ii) Minimize disturbances (noise) at beach
- (iii) 2020 funds spent on the Sturgeon Falls Beach

The Director of Community Services expanded on the information provided in a memorandum included in the Agenda. Vandalism is ongoing and is of concern to neighbours. The Director recommended demolition of the shed and it be replaced with a stand-alone electrical panel as well as installation of lights and security cameras, if feasible and cost effective. It was also suggested that a by-law be brought forward regulating beaches.

F-1(b) Beautification Report

The Director of Community Services provided information on the history of the volunteer beautification committees in the various communities. The groups have changed and evolved over time and the allocation of funds has historically been based on the individual approaches of each community. There is no current policy or procedure in place for this allocation and the director recommended that a policy be implemented which would require the groups to submit proposal on an

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

- F-4(a)** Discussion re: Fireworks By-Law *(J. Savage)*
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.

F-5) SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L'EAU

- F-5(a)** Discussion re: Usage of water filling stations at public sites
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.

REGULAR COUNCIL / SÉANCE RÉGULIÈRE

G) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHE

- G-1** Authorize payment of Council members' legal fees
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- G-2** Appointment to WN Library Board
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- G-3** Approve Council Summer Meeting Dates for July and August
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.

H) CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURRIER

- H-1** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- H-2** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- H-3** Adopt the minutes of a Council meeting.
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- H-4** Receive the minutes of the following boards/committees:
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- H-5** Receive the MARCH Disbursement Report
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- H-6** Correspondence – Integrity Commissioner findings re: Investigation #25.
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.
- H-7** Correspondence – Integrity Commissioner findings re: Investigation #29.
 ↳ Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.

I) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS

J) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA

K) INFORMATION, QUESTIONS & MAYOR'S REPORT / INFORMATION, QUESTIONS ET RAPPORT DU MAIRE

K-1 The Mayor gave her report.

L) CLOSED MEETING / RÉUNION À HUIS CLOS

L-1 Proceed into closed meeting.

Due to time constraints this item will be carried to next meeting of Council.

M) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

M-1 Confirm the proceedings of Council.

No. 2021/226 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor D. Roveda

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. **2021/49** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 15th day of JUNE 2021, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

M-2 Adjourn the meeting of Council.

No. 2021/227 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor D. Sénécal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council held on JUNE 15th, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

« Mayor Joanne Savage »
JOANNE SAVAGE
MAYOR

« *Melanie Ducharme* »
MELANIE DUCHARME
CLERK