



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

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING
ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2nd, 2022 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:

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. 2022/97 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

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

CARRIED

C) 2022 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS / PRÉSENTATION BUDGÉTAIRES POUR L'ANNÉE 2022

INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

- The Mayor turned the Chair over to Councillor Lise Senecal, Chair of General Government.
- The Chair sought direction from the CAO as to how the meeting will proceed;
- The CAO provided an overview of the proposed 2022 budget process indicating that the objective is to move to an achievable budget as quickly as possible;
- Intention is to move through key changes and then proceed to capital following the break;
- The Chair conducted a round-table concerning the CAO's proposed process to which Council generally agreed;

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2021

- CAO commended by commending all staff and managers for continued cooperation in budget process;
- **COVID:**
 - The CAO presented the 2021 highlights beginning with COVID stating that the ongoing pandemic affected budget and operations throughout 2021;
 - Short discussion concerning the effect of COVID on training;
- **Corporate Services:**
 - The CAO summarized the key changes in Corporate Services including revenue from supplementals, interest and penalties
 - Difficulties in POA revenue due to COVID
 - Insurance and legal costs higher than anticipated – explanation by CAO as to how deductibles work;
 - HR – timing of hiring impacted wages and benefits;
 - Short discussion concerning revenues from recent tax sales;

- Following presentation, council agreed with the proposed Public Works capital budget for 2022 in order to allow the Manager to move forward with tenders;

It was agreed that the Budget meeting will reconvene on March 8, 2022.

D) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

D-1 Confirm the proceedings of Council.

No. 2022/99 Moved by: Councillor D. Roveda
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. **2022/31** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its BUDGET meeting held on the 2nd day of March 2022, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

D-2 Adjourn the meeting of Council.


No. 2022/100 Moved by: Councillor D. Roveda
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 2nd, 2022 be adjourned.

CARRIED



JOANNE SAVAGE
MAYOR



MELANIE DUCHARME
CLERK