

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 8th, 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. 2022/101 Moved by: Councillor Y. Duhaime

Seconded by: Councillor D. Sénécal

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 (continuation) / PRÉSENTATION BUDGÉTAIRES POUR L'ANNÉE 2022 (suite)

OPERATIONS – KEY BUDGET CHANGES

- The Mayor provided a brief summary of the matters discussed at the March 2, 2022 meeting before handing the meeting to the Chair of General Government;
- Mr. Barbeau provided a summary of the matters hoped to be discussed this evening and indicated that the reports requested by the specific councillors will be provided at the end of the meeting, if time permits.
- Mr. Barbeau continued with the 2022 Budget changes beginning with Community Services;
- Mr. Barbeau explained the change to how election will be budged instead of taking 100K out of reserves, it will be spread over the 4-year cycle at 25K per year;
- Mr. Poulin spoke to the changes to the Economic Development budget changes for an increase in professional fees to be allocated to graphic design, website content, legal review, etc.;
- Mr. Poulin also provided information concerning the proposed Community Improvement Plan and required funding;
- Mr. Barbeau continued with Training increase proposed for catch-up;
- Mr. Poulin provided a summary of the Community Services Special Projects during which there was a
 discussion regarding the proposed volunteer appreciation for IPM volunteer sand proposed Beautification
 committee projects;
- Mr. Barbeau explained that additional requested information will be forthcoming;
- A discussion ensued regarding accounting principles regarding capital/operations for special projects in particular relating to the allocation of beautification dollars in various municipalities;

MOTION FOR RECESS:

No. 2022/102 <u>Moved by:</u> Councillor C. Fisher

Seconded by: Councillor L. Sénél

At approx. 7:51 PM, a motion was tabled for a 15-minute recess; following which the meeting will continue.

CARRIED

Following the break, Mr. Barbeau suggested that the conversation be turned to Community Services Capital in order that the Community Services Director can proceed with procurement;

COMMUNITY SERVICES CAPITAL

- The Community Services director proceeded to present the 2022 Capital Budget beginning with fleet;
- A discussion was held regarding propane versus propane powered Ice resurfacing equipment with the majority supporting the Director's recommendation;
- Mr. Poulin proceeded with Community Services carry-over items;
- Mr. Poulin continued with proposed 2022 projects including upgrades to Town Hall HVAC, upgrades to garage (Union Gas building) to provide workspace for community services staff;
- Mr. Poulin noted that the docks shown on capital should be in Operations;
- Mr. Poulin noted that the pool, moving back to a chemical system is being explored;
- A discussion was held regarding the proposed upgrades to Town Hall and the funds to be transferred to reserve (check with Alisa to make sure this sentence makes sense);
- Councillor Larabie raised the issue of funds allocated to upgrades for accessibility leading to a discussion resulting in Councillor Larabie being asked to leave the meeting

D) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

D-1 Confirm the proceedings of Council.

No. 2022/103 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher

Seconded by: Councillor D. Sénécal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. **2022/32** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its BUDGET meeting held on the 8th 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. 2022/104 Moved by: Councillor C. Fisher

Seconded by: Councillor D. Sénécal

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BUDGET meeting of Council held on March 8th, 2022 be adjourned.

CARRIED

JOANNE SAVAGE

MAYOR

MELANIE DUCHARME

CLERK