



THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

January 20, 2021

HELD IN TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN BOARDROOM

Present	Mayor	Anne Commando-Dubé
	Councillor	Guy Dubé
	Councillor	Albert Durand
	Councillor	Nelson Costello
	Clerk	Janet Gore
	Deputy-Clerk	Barbara Knauth

Regrets: Councillor Samantha Ruck

2021-01

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation Township of Matachewan, call this meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

“carried”

2021-02

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, accept the agenda as presented, subject to the following additions:

Correspondence: Timiskaming Health Unit Re Nursing Station
Provincial Offences Advisory Committee
Memberships for 2021
Marriage Licence Issuing

“carried”

No Pecuniary interest declared.

2021-03

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, adopt the minutes of December 15, 2020 as circulated

“carried”

2021-04

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do hereby approve payment of accounts from January, 1 2021 – January 15, 2021 in the Amount of \$148,898.85

“carried”

2021-05

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, acknowledge receipt of the \$20,000 allocation for 2021 under the Safe Restart Support for Operating Budgets from Ontario Municipal Affairs and Housing.

“carried”

2021-06

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, support the correspondence item as attached from the City of Belleville Dated October 26, regarding Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act-Website Support; and
FURTHER a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, M.P.P John Vanthoff, A.M.O and The City of Belleville.

“carried”

Resolution #2021-06 attachment

"WHEREAS Section 14(4) of O. Reg 191/11 under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act requires designated public sector organizations to conform to WCAG 2.0 Level AA by January 1, 2021; and
WHEREAS the City remains committed to the provision of accessible goods and services; and
WHEREAS the City provides accommodations to meet any stated accessibility need, where possible; and
WHEREAS the declared pandemic, COVID-19, has impacted the finances and other resources of the City; and
WHEREAS the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act contemplates the need to consider technical or economic considerations in the implementation of Accessibility Standards;
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Belleville requests that the Province of Ontario consider providing funding support and training resources to municipalities to meet these compliance standards; and
THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of the Province of Ontario, Prince Edward-Hastings M.P.P., Todd Smith, Hastings - Lennox & Addington M.P.P., Daryl Kramp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario."

2021-07

Moved by: A. Durand
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, support the following resolutions which was passed by the Council for the Municipality of Charlton and Dack on December 8th, 2020;
"WHEREAS the cost of municipal insurance in the Province of Ontario has continued to increase – with especially large increases going into 2021.
AND WHEREAS Joint and Several Liability continues to ask property taxpayers to carry the lion’s share of a damage award when a municipality is found at minimum fault;
AND WHEREAS these increases are unsustainable and unfair and eat at critical municipal services;
AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario outlined seven recommendations to address insurance issues including:
1. The provincial government adopt a model of full proportionate liability to replace joint and several liability.
2. Implement enhancements to the existing limitations period including the continued applicability of the existing 10 day rule on slip and fall cases given recent judicial interpretations and whether a 1 year limitation period may be beneficial
3. Implement a cap for economic loss awards.
4. Increase the catastrophic impairment default benefit limit to \$2 million and increase the third party liability coverage to \$2 million in government regulated automobile insurance plans.
5. Assess and implement additional measures which would support lower premiums or alternatives to the provision of insurance services by other entities such as non profit insurance reciprocals.
6. Compel the insurance industry to supply all necessary financial evidence including premiums, claims and deductible limit changes which support its and municipal arguments as to the fiscal impact of joint and several liability.
7. Establish a provincial and municipal working group to consider the above and put forward recommendations to the Attorney General.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Municipality of Charlton and Dack call on the Province of Ontario to immediately review these recommendations and to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amounts over industry standards, despite COVID 19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities.
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, the Honourable John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming- Cochrane, and all Ontario municipalities."

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, the Honourable John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming- Cochrane, and the Municipality of Charlton and Dack.

“carried”

2021-08

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, give By-law #2021-01, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of an interim tax levy and to provide for penalty and interest in default of payments thereof for 2021, a first, second, third and final reading this 20th day of January, 2021

“carried”

2021-09

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS we are in receipt of an updated 5 year capital budget for the Matachewan Drinking Water Plant as prepared by Ontario Clean Water Agency;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of The Township of Matachewan, include \$14,220 in the capital budget for 2021.

“carried”

2021-10

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, approve payment of the following memberships for 2021:

Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs	\$288.15
Federation of Canadian Municipalities	\$140.54
Association of Municipalities of Ontario	\$745.80
AMCTO – Barbara Knauth	\$457.85
AMCTO – Cheryl Swanson	\$242.95
Ontario Association of Cemetery and Funeral Professionals	\$207.91

“carried”

2021-11

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, effective of this date, all terminations and acceptance of volunteers will be done by resolution of Council and all notification of such will be done by the Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk-Treasurer by letter.

“carried”

2021-12

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, enters the in-camera portion of the meeting 8:04 P.M to discuss legal and personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

“carried”

2021-13

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT HEREBY RESOVLED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do hereby come out of closed session and re-open the regular meeting 9:00 P.M.

“carried”

2021-14

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we. The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, go past the 9:00 P.M. curfew.

“carried”

2021-15

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS we are in receipt of a letter form Daniel Gilbert regarding his dismissal from the Matachewan Volunteer Fire Department (via text from the Fire Chief);
NOW THEREFORE we, the Council of the Corportation of the Township of Matachewan, do here reappoint Daniel Gilbert as a member of the Matachewan Fire Department and notify the Fire Chief of our decision; and
FURTHER THAT a letter be sent, from Municipal Office, to Daniel Gilbert regarding the reinstatement; and
FURTHER THAT a copy of the letter be sent to the Fire Chief.

“carried”

2021-16

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS we, have an application from Zachary Harvey to Volunteer on Matachewan Fire Department;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Coroporation of the Township of Matachewan, accept this application and appoint Zachary Harvey as a Matachewan Fire Department Volunteer.

“carried”

Directions to Clerk-Treasurer

1. OCWA – is there anyone else to look after Water System?
2. Send letter to MTO regarding Duncan Creek Crossing & set up meeting
3. Send registered letters re existing sea cans in municipality
4. Look into MNR bills
5. Set up meeting with Luc Guimond re Blasting
6. Look into purchase of plough gate
7. Meet with MTO re Industrial Park entrance and Walkway Crossing
8. Note O.P.P. liason with Council is Sargeant Michael Robichaud – set up future meeting

2021-17

Moved by: N. Costello
Second by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, hereby do now adjourn until next regular meeting on February 17, 2021 or at the call of the Mayor.

“carried”


Anne Commando-Dubé
Mayor


Janet Gore
Clerk