



THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

April 7, 2021

HELD IN TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN BOARDROOM

**Present**

Mayor	Anne Commando-Dubé
Deputy Mayor	Nelson Costello
Councillor	Albert Durand
Councillor	Guy Dube
Deputy-Clerk	Barbara Knauth

**Regrets:**

Clerk	Janet Gore
Councillor	Samantha Ruck

**2021-059**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation Township of Matachewan, call this meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

“carried”

**2021-060**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, adopt the minutes of March 10, 2021 as circulated,

“carried”

No Pecuniary interest declared.

**2021-061**

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

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

FONOM Virtual Conference Tuesday May 18, 2021  
Northern Ontario Training Week Virtual April 20-22, 2021

“carried”

**2021-062**

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

**BE IT HEREBY RESOVLED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, approve payment of accounts from March 16, 2021 to April 15, 2021 in the amount of \$152,644.96.

“carried”

**2021-063**

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

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, authorize the following payment of membership for 2021:

Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA)	\$629.52
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities	\$168.00

“carried”

**2021-064**

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

**WHEREAS** the Meegum Youth Residence in Cochrane is one of the facilites that will be closing effective April 30; and

**WHEREAS** children aged 12 to 17 from the northeastern communities will be impacted by this closure. These are are children who have increased needs yet limited access to much needed set of services and support that assist them with their transition to productive and flourishing adulthood; and

**WHEREAS** with the closure of the MeeQuam Youth Resudence, these vunlnerable children will find themselves in a facility hundred and thousands of kilometers away from their community and their families; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan request that the Province Of Ontario reverse their decision to close the youth justice facility in Cochrane, known as MeeQuam Youth Residence, as these vulnerable children need to be close as possible to their families and communities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a Resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Honoable Todd Smith, Minister of Indigenous Affairs: and all Municipalities within the Provinc e of Ontario

“carried”

**2021-065**

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

**WHEREAS** the Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA) has entered into an agreement with the District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board (DTSSAB) to develop and administer a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWBP) for the Municipalities in the District of Temiskaming; and including the Municipality of Temagami;

**AND WHEREAS** due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the original deadline of January 1, 2021 for the completion of a CSWBP was delayed to July 1, 2021 as announced by the Solicitor General of Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** the DTSSAB has advised the TMA that it will be impossible to meet the deadline of July 1, 2021; and has requested the TMA appeal to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) to extend the deadline until the Spring of 2022 for the completion of the CSWBP; to provide for the required time to complete and implement the plan;

**NOWHEREFORE** the DTSSAB has advised the TMA that it will be impossible to meet the deadline of July 1, 2021; and has requested the TMA appeal to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) to extend the deadline until the Spring of 2022 for the completion of the CSWBP; to provide for the required time to complete and implement the plan;

**AND FURTHER** that this resolution be directed to the MCSCS and the Ontario Solicitor General; and forwarded to the TMA; Member Municipalities of the TMA; DTSSAB; AMO; John Vanthof - MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane.

“carried”

**2021-066**

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

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we**, the Council of the Corporation of Township of Matachewan, regretfully accept the resignation of Fire Chief Gerald Begley by telephone on Thursday, April 1, 2021 approximately at 1:30 pm.

“carried”

**2021-067**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT we**, the Council of the Corporation of Township of Matachewan, acknowledge receipt of the 2020 Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Annual Report.

“carried”

**2021-068**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT we**, the Council of the Corporation of Township of Matachewan, enters the in-camera portion of the Meeting 7:35 p.m. to discuss legal and personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal of local board employees

“carried”

**2021-069**

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

**BE IT HEREBY RESLOVED 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 at 8:55 p.m

“carried”

**2021-070**

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

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we**, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, Re: Application for Aggregate Permit Cairo Township, Territorial Timiskaming District #626487, do not support this application

“carried”

**2021-058**

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

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we**, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do now adjourn until next Regular meeting on Thursday, May 13, 2021 or at call of the Mayor.

“carried”

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Anne Commando-Dubé  
Mayor

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Barbara Knauth  
Deputy Clerk Treasurer