

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN MONDAY June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 HELD AT THE MATACHEWAN TOWNSHIP HALL

Councilors present: Reeve Cheryl Drummond, Councilor Guy Dubé, Councilor Dianne Gilbert,

**Councilor Kimberly Gauthier** 

Councilor absent: Councilor Joe Bisson

Staff present: Anne Kmyta, CAO-Clerk-Treasurer, Therese Duchesne – Administrative Assistant

Public: Andrew George

2017-360

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the regular council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan is hereby called to order at 5:00pm.

**CARRIED** 

## **Adoption of Minutes:**

2017-361

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the Minutes of May 29<sup>th</sup> 2017 Public Meeting as presented.

**CARRIED** 

2017-362

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the Minutes of May 29<sup>th</sup> 2017 regular meeting as presented.

## **Adoption of Agenda:**

2017-363

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the agenda with the following additions.

Item 6: Delegations – Andrew George response to complaint regarding disposal of minnows. Item 11: In-camera discussions – By-law Enforcement & Employee Matters.

**CARRIED** 

2017-364

Moved by: Guy Dubé

Seconded by: Kimberly Gauthier

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby directs the CAO-Clerk-Treasurer to: write a letter to Mr. George advising him that the warning issued May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 will be rescinded and no further action will be taken.

**CARRIED** 

## **Government & Finance:**

2017-365

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby the payment of \$300.00 to the Councilor Representative responsible for the Public Works Department in order to compensate him for time and vehicle expenses associated with the supervision of the Public Works Department.

**CARRIED** 

2017-366

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby authorizes the Co-op Placement for the KLDCS Grade 12 Student within the Public Works Department as presented by the CAO-Clerk-Treasurer for the 2017-18 School Year.

2017-367 Moved by: Dianne Gilbert

Seconded by: Kimberly Gauthier

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby authorizes the Reeve and CAO-Clerk-Treasurer to sign the Audit Findings Report, Acknowledgement and Consolidated Statement of Financial Position for 2016 as presented.

**CARRIED** 

2017-368 Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier

Seconded by: Guy Dubé

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby authorizes the CAO-Clerk-Treasurer to ruminate the contract with Propane Energy Solutions and to proceed with the contract with co-operative Regionale to supply propane for all municipal properties as per the information provided. The CAO-Clerk-Treasurer is also authorized to purchase one (1) shave of Co-operative Regionale for the sum of Twenty- Dollars (\$20.00) per share.

**CARRIED** 

2017-369 Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier

Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby authorizes the termination of the Annual Contract Renewal with Security Today and engage the services of Berube Communications for the provision of the security system for all municipal properties commencing in May 2018.

**CARRIED** 

2017-370 Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier

Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby declares the following equipment surplus and available for Sale using an On-line Sales such as "Kijiji".

- 1. Aero Oil Fired Water Heater Model CF32T/A 32 Gallon
- 2. 12' x 12' Roll-up doors Manually operated
- 3. Benjamin Oil Fired Boiler Model 0B1000
- 4. Roth 1000L Oil Tank Galvanized Steel with Plastic Liner
- 5. Roth 620L Oil Tank Galvanized Steel with Plastic Liner

2017-371 Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Guy Dubé

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby denies permission to Heather Gillette to use a sea-can container for a period not to exceed four (4) months. The purpose of the container is for the temporary storage of furniture and other personal belongings in order for the estate to rent the house.

**CARRIED** 

2017-372 Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier

Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby supports the resolution put forward by TeMAG regarding the reinstatement of the one-third-tax-free exemption for municipal politicians.

**CARRIED** 

2017-373 Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier

Seconded by: Guy Dubé

WHEREAS the 2017 Federal Budget has raised personal tax on all municipal politicians by removing the long standing, since 1947, tax exempt portion of their remuneration for all elected politicians including those of us from very small communities;

AND WHEREAS the purpose of this one-third-tax-free allowance was to provide "an allowance for expenses incidental to the discharge of the person's duties as an elected officer"

**AND WHEREAS** the removal of the allowance will result in a negative impact on elected officials in smaller communities;

AND WHEREAS elected officials in larger centres receive budgets to support the incidental expenses that are denied to those from smaller communities due to budgets reflective of size;

AND WHEREAS removing this one-third exemption can further decrease the ability of small and rural communities to attract candidates for municipal elections;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the federal budget be restructured to reinstate this one-third-tax-free-exemption for municipal politicians from communities that provide "0" budget for elected officials to cover their incidental expenses;

**AND THEREFORE** that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Bill Morneau, Minister of Finance, Anthony Rota, MP Nipissing-Temiskaming; Charlie Angus, MP Timmins-James Bay; FONOM and NEOMA.

2017-374

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby supports the resolution put forward by TeMAG regarding the annual taxation of Hydro One poles and lines on municipal property.

**CARRIED** 

2017-375

Moved by: Guy Dubé

Seconded by: Kimberly Gauthier

WHEREAS Ontario municipalities received "Telephone and Telegraph" taxes for hydro/telephone poles and lines located on municipal property in the past;

AND WHEREAS provincial payment of the "Telephone and Telegraph" taxes was terminated in the 1990's;

**AND WHEREAS** Hydro One charges users for "deliver" of power that can cost up to 99% of total hydro usage, net of taxes;

AND WHEREAS Hydro One and lines are located on/over municipal property and Hydro payes no money to the municipality;

AND WHEREAS Hydro One notifies no one when installing new poles/lines while Ontario municipalities are required to call "ON 1 Call" prior to doing any work within the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** streetlights are normally owned and maintained by each municipality by these municipalities must pay outrageous delivery costs;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Matachewan deems it necessary to generate municipal revenues to offset the offensive and unfair hydro delivery charges;

AND FURTHER THAT Hydro One e taxed annually at a rate \$25.00 per pole within each municipality.

**CARRIED** 

2017-376

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby approves the pay vouchers as circulated for May 2017 to pay expenditures in the amount of \$94,954.17

2017-377

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Guy Dubé

That By-law 2017-13, being a By-law to change the name of head of council from "Reeve" to "Mayor" and the title of "Deputy Reeve" to "Deputy Mayor" is hereby read for a first and second time this 26th day of June 2017.

**CARRIED** 

2017-378

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

That By-law 2017-13, being a By-law to change the name of head of council from "Reeve" to "Mayor" and the title of "Deputy Reeve" to "Deputy Mayor" is hereby read for a third and final time this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

Signed, sealed and numbered 2017-13

**CARRIED** 

2017-379

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Guy Dubé

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby moves into in-camera discussions regarding: By-Law Enforcement & Employee Matters.

**CARRIED** 

2017-380

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Guy Dubé

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby moves out of the incamera portion of the meeting

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby accepts with regret the written resignation of Mr. John Potts as By-Law Enforcement Officer for the Township of Matachewan.

**CARRIED** 

2017-382

Moved by: Kimberly Gauthier Seconded by: Dianne Gilbert

Be it resolved that the regular council meeting is adjourned at 7:15 pm and that the next regular meeting is to be held on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 or at the call of the Mayor.

**CARRIED** 

Cheryl Drummond

Mayor

Anne Kmyta

CAO-Clerk-Treasurer