



REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

September 21, 2022

HELD AT TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present	Mayor	Anne Commando-Dubé
	Deputy Mayor	Michael Young
	Councillor	Guy Dubé
	Councillor	Sharon Dubé
	Councillor	Mark Stickel
	Clerk	Janet Gore
	Deputy Clerk	Barbara Knauth

Guests: Lindsay Cousineau – ZZEats
Rosaire Gauthier
Jeannine Gauthier

2022-256

Moved by: S. Dubé **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation Township of
Seconded by: M. Stickel Matachewan, call this meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

“carried”

Public Meeting re Zoning Application from Lindsay Cousineau.
No Comments Received.

2022-257

Moved by: S. Dubé **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation Township of
Seconded by: M. Stickel Matachewan, give By-Law #2022-32, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 2018-16,
a first and second reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-258

Moved by: S. Dubé **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation Township of
Seconded by: M. Stickel Matachewan, give By-Law #2022-32, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 2018-16,
a third and final reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-259

Moved by: S. Dubé **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township
Seconded by: M. Stickel of Matachewan, accept the agenda as circulated, subject to the following additions:
Update YDMC
Update Paving Corners
Update Removal of Docks
LCBO Application for Recreation

“carried”

No Pecuniary interest declared.

2022-260

Moved by: S. Dubé **BE HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township
Seconded by: M. Stickel of Matachewan, adopt the Minutes of August 17, 2022 and September 12, 2022 as
Circulated and September 5, 2022 as amended.

“carried”

2022-261

Moved by: S. Dubé **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the
Seconded by: M. Stickel Township of Matachewan, approve the payment of accounts from August 25th to
September 21st, 2022 in the amount of \$227,954.51.

“carried”

2022-262

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Young

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario, through the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, has introduced Bill 3 which is described as "An Act to amend various statutes with respect to special powers and duties of heads of council; **AND WHEREAS** this Bill, if enacted, will initially apply to the City of Toronto and City of Ottawa, but will later be expanded to include other municipalities according to a statement made by the Premier at the 2022 AMO annual conference; **AND WHEREAS** this Bill, if enacted, will give Mayors additional authority and powers, and correspondingly take away authority and powers from Councils and professional staff, and will include giving the Mayor the authority to propose and adopt the Municipal budget and to veto some decisions of Council; **AND WHEREAS** this Bill, if enacted, will give authority over professional staff to the Mayor, including that of the Chief Administrative Officer; **AND WHEREAS** these changes will result in a reduction of independence for professional staff including the CAO, who currently provide objective information to the Council and public and will now take direction from the Mayor alone when the Mayor so directs; **AND WHEREAS** these are surprising and unnecessary changes to the historical balance of power between a Mayor and Council, and which historically gave the final say in all matters to the will of the majority of the elected Council. **THEREFORE**, this Council of the Township of Matachewan, passes this resolution to petition the Government of Ontario that:

1. These changes to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, are unnecessary and will negatively affect the Township of Matachewan;
2. That if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities;
3. That the Ontario Government should enact legislation clarifying the role of Mayor, Council and Chief Administrative Officer, similar to those recommended by the Ontario Municipal Administrator's Association and those recommended by Justice Marrocco in the Collingwood judicial inquiry of 2020; and
4. That if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the *Planning Act* and funding of more affordable housing.

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk ensures that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the "Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy", Honourable John Vanthof MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

"carried"

2022-263

Moved by: M. Young
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS, the Electoral Boundary Commission has proposed to remove one of the electoral ridings from Northern Ontario; and **WHEREAS**, the proposal to diminish Northern Ontario's voice in Parliament will have a detrimental effect on participatory democracy and regional development as the issues in Northern Ontario are significantly different than the issues facing the urban south; and **WHEREAS**, the Federal Boundary Commission proposal to cut representation in the north is contrary to the 2017 electoral boundary changes for Ontario that recognized the need to add two seats to ensure fair participation for northern residents; and **WHEREAS**, many of the existing ridings in Northern Ontario are already larger than many European countries, a situation that will only be worsened by the addition of massively new regions to service; and **WHEREAS**, the proposed new super ridings will force municipalities to compete for a limited amount of riding funding which will further exacerbate inequities in the north; and **WHEREAS**, Northern Ontario's population per riding is already much higher than many other rural and isolated regions in Canada's north; and **WHEREAS**, the courts have ruled that representation in Canada's democracy is not based merely on population but on regions of interest and the right of citizens to engage with their elected representatives; and **WHEREAS**, any changes to electoral boundaries should be based on the principles of maintaining communities of interest within boundaries that are equitable in terms of population and geography **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the council of The Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, calls on the Electoral Boundary Commission to maintain the electoral representation of Northern Ontario and ensure that any boundary changes are done in a manner that responds to regional and local needs; and **Further** that the Township of Matachewan petitions the Federal Government to introduce legislation that would provide for a minimum number of guaranteed Ridings for Northern Ontario to ensure the voices of Northern and Rural Communities is not stifled; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Temiskaming Municipal Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Honourable Anthony Rota MP for Nipissing-Timiskaming, the Honourable Charlie Angus Member of Parliament for Timmins-James and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

“carried”

2022-264

Moved by: S. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Stickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all correspondence be received and filed.

“carried”

2022-265

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Young

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the council of the Corporation of the Corporation the Township of Matachewan, give By-Law #2022-25, being a by-law to regulate the Removal and relocation of snow within the Township of Matachewan a first, second, Third and final reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-266

Moved by: M. Young
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the council of the Corporation of the Corporation the Township of Matachewan, give By-Law #2022-29, being a by-law to adopt an Asset Management Policy, a first, second, third and final reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-267

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Young

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, give By-Law #2022-30, being a by-law to implement an Occupational Health and Safety Policy, a first and second reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-268

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Young

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, give By-Law #2022-30, being a by-law to implement an Occupational Health and Safety Policy a third and final reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-269

Moved by: S. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Stickel

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do hereby give By-Law #2022-31, being a by-law to establish and appoint the Timiskaming District Joint Compliance Audit Committee, a first, second, third and final reading this 21st day of September, 2022.

“carried”

2022-270

Moved by: S. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Stickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do hereby acknowledge receipt of the 2022 Quarter 2 Assessment Forecast Report prepared by MPAC.

“carried”

2022-271

Moved by: S. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Stickel

WHEREAS the Recreation Committee is hosting a dance on October 29th, 2022; and **WHEREAS** the event is considered to “municipally significant” Matachewan, **NOW THEREFORE** we, the Council of the Township of Matachewan approve the Recreation Committee to apply for a Special Occasion Permit from the LCBO.

“carried”

2022-272

Moved by: S. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Stickel

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, enter the in-camera portion of the meeting 8:31 p.m. to discuss legal and/or personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees or volunteers.

“carried”

2022-273

Moved by: M. Young
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED 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 9:10 p.m. with report.

“carried”

2022-274

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Young

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, go past the 9 p.m. curfew.

“carried”

2022-275

Moved by: M. Stickel
Seconded by: S. Dubé

WHEREAS we are in receipt of an application for membership on the Matachewan Community Garden Committee from Patrick Hopkins;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, appoint Patrick Hopkins as a member of the Community Garden Committee.

“carried”

2022-276

Moved by: M. Stickel
Seconded by: S. Dubé

WHEREAS we are in receipt of an application for membership on the Matachewan Get Fit Committee from Parker McLeod;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, appoint Parker McLeod as a member of the Get Fit Committee, subject to approval of Committee Chair.

“carried”

2022-277

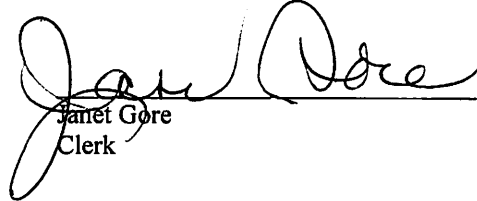
Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: M. Young

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do now adjourn until October 5, 2022 or at the call of the Mayor.

“carried”



Anne Commando-Dubé
Mayor



Janet Gore
Clerk