

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 23-03 (regular)

February 21st, 2023

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on February 21st, 2023, at 7:30 pm, in the Municipal Council Chambers at the Town Hall, 500 Highway 11, Mattice, Ontario.

Present:

Mayor – Marc Dupuis

Councilor – Steve Brousseau

Councilor – Sophie Gagnon

Councilor – Joyce Malenfant

Councilor – Réginald Manning

Staff

CAO/Clerk – Guylaine Coulombe

Treasurer – Annie Plamondon (left at 8:20 pm)

1. Opening of meeting

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:30 pm

2. Approval of the Order of Business

- Resolution 23-50

3. Pecuniary interest

Nil

4. Delegation and Presentation

Nil

5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meeting

- Resolution 23-51

6. Treasurer's report

6.1 Reserve and Reserve Funds Policy

- Resolution 23-52

6.2 Debt Policy – the example provided was reviewed by Council

- Differed

6.3 Verbal report – use of additional OCIF funds towards the 2022 sanitary project

- Agreed

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

a) Town of Halton Hills – repeal Bill 23

- Resolution 23-53

The following resolutions/requests for support were received and filed:

b) Porcupine Health Unit – permanent supervised consumption services site in Timmins

c) City of Brantford – Via Rail line no. 82

d) Town of Kapuskasing – scheduling of MRI appointments

7.2 Mattice Drinking Water System – inspection rating report

- Filed

7.3 Northern Corridor Chamber of Commerce AGM – per discussion, mail-out invitation to be sent to MVC residents to form a community events committee

- Agreed

7.4 Landfill underground water monitoring report – additional monitoring wells

- Resolution 23-54

7.5 Intact Public Entities – cost replacement value of municipal buildings

- Filed

7.6 Report on various items

a) Training/meetings

b) Information provided

c) Complaints received

- Filed

b) vi) water park: look into the possibility of submitting a request to the MTO for the installation of traffic lights, where 2nd street crosses the highway

- Agreed

7.7 Tiny Town Association – surplus lands: respond that surplus lands are available west and north of the municipal complex

- Agreed

8. Mayor's report

8.1 Verbal report of the Porcupine Health Unit meeting attended virtually earlier today

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Brousseau

Nil

B. Councilor Gagnon

- Verbal report of the Hearst FMA Board meeting held on February 6th, 2023
- Snowman contest – in the mailout, put in a reminder about the contest, to boost participation
- Agreed
- Consider setting up an event to "meet and greet Council" during a brunch or other similar forum
- Agreed

C. Councilor Malenfant

- Verbal report of the Hearst and Area Planning Board on February 8th, 2023
- Splashpad: install a portable restroom in the park. Install signs to advise that changerooms and running water are available in the Missinaibi Park.
- Agreed

D. Councilor Manning

- Verbal report of the Kapuskaging (GCF) LCC meeting held in Kapuskasing on February 8th, 2023

10. By-laws

Nil

11. Caucus

- a) Caucus – Resolution 23-55
- b) Regular meeting – Resolution 23-56

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

- 12.1 Hours of work – January 2023
- 12.2 TEDC – information session on the Rural Northern Immigration Program
- 12.3 NOSM – physician training requirements and limited spaces
- 12.4 FONOM – Catch & Release Task Force

13. Resolutions

- Agenda Resolution 23-50: Réginald Manning – Joyce Malenfant
THAT the agenda be hereby accepted.
Carried
- Minutes Resolution 23-51: Steve Brousseau – Sophie Gagnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council’s regular meeting
23-02, held on January 31st, 2023, be hereby adopted.
Carried
- Reserve and Reserve Funds Policy Resolution 23-52: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Reserve and Reserve Funds
Policy, as amended, be hereby adopted.
Carried
- Repeal Bill 23 Resolution 23-53: Marc Dupuis – Sophie Gagnon
WHEREAS Bill 23 was introduced the day after municipal
elections, and;
WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
was not given an opportunity to present its concerns to the
Standing Committee, and;
WHEREAS some municipalities will experience significant loss of
revenues as a result of Bill 23, and;
WHEREAS Bill 23 eliminates the regional role in approval of
official plans, creating uncertainty around the planning for
regional services to support the growth aspirations of the local
municipalities, and;
WHEREAS Bill 23 limits the role of Conservation Authorities, and;
WHEREAS AMO is not confident that Bill 23 will do anything to
improve the affordability of housing;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the
Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports resolution no.
2023-0007 made by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills
urging the Provincial Government to repeal Bill 23 and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be
forwarded to the Town of Halton Hills and to our local parliament
representatives, MP Carol Hughes and MPP Guy Bourgouin.
Carried

Additional monitoring wells

Resolution 23-54: Sophie Gagnon – Marc Dupuis

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO/Clerk prepare a request for tender for the construction of 2 additional monitoring wells at the landfill site, as per recommendations no. 3 and no. 4 made by Pinchin Ltd. in the 2020-2022 Landfill underground water monitoring report and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amount of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$25,000) DOLLARS be set aside in the 2023 annual budget for that purpose.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 23-55: Steve Brousseau – Réginald Manning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:58 pm to discuss labour relations.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 23-56: Marc Dupuis – Joyce Malenfant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 9:04 pm.

Carried

New hire

Resolution 23-57: Steve Brousseau – Réginald Manning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, on a trial basis, Michel Otis be hired to work as an occasional part-time employee.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Tuesday, March 14th, 2023, at 7:00 pm

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 23-58: Steve Brousseau – Joyce Malenfant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 950, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Tuesday, February 21st, 2023, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 9:10 pm

Resolution 23-59: Joyce Malenfant – Marc Dupuis
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on
February 21st, 2023, be adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on March 14th, 2023

Mayor

CAO/Clerk