

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 22-08 (regular)

June 14th, 2022

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on June 14th, 2022, at 7:00 pm, in the Municipal Council Chambers at the Town Hall, 500 Highway 11, Mattice, Ontario.

Present:

Mayor – Marc Dupuis
Councilor – Daniel Grenier
Councilor – Richard Lemay

Staff

CAO/Clerk – Guylaine Coulombe
Treasurer – Annie Plamondon

Absent:

Councilor – Steve Brousseau
Councilor – Joyce Malenfant

1. Opening of meeting

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

2. Approval of the Order of Business

- Resolution 22-116

3. Pecuniary interest

Councilor Grenier declared a conflict at item 11.2 and left the room during the discussion

4. Delegation and Presentation

Nil

5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meetings

- Resolutions 22-117 and 22-118

6. Treasurer's report

6.1 2021 Financial Statements

- Resolution 22-119

6.2 Financial report – to May 31st, 2022

- Resolution 22-120

6.3 Verbal report – recycling services – restart the program, as budgeted

- Agreed

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

a) Municipality of Shuniah – pupil accommodation reviews

- Resolution 22-121

e) Town of Aurora – Bill C-233, Keira's Law

- Resolution 22-122

The following requests for support were received and filed:

b) Niagara Region – in solidarity with Ukraine

c) Town of Fort Erie – federal tax on vacant foreign property

d) Town of Fort Erie – bidding wars in the housing sector

7.2 Parks & Recreation – equipment purchases

a) Brisson Park swings

- Resolution 22-123

b) Picnic tables – rebuild the tables for which we have the frames, repair the tables stored behind the arena garage and engrave all municipal picnic tables. Going forward, include at least one new model per budget year.

- Agreed

The Treasurer leaves at 7:40 pm.

c) Old native burial site – signs need to be replaced. Look for funding sources.

- Deferred

d) Tree planting – in Brisson Park and behind the Voyageur monument, provided we obtain ONR approval

- Filed

7.3 Report on various items

a) Meetings/training sessions attended

b) Information

c) Complaints

- Filed

d) For Council's consideration:

i) Picnic tables: older model (only) to be loaned to the Caisse for their annual hotdog lunch on Friday, June 17th, and to École catholique St-François Xavier on Monday, June 20th, for their end of year festivities.

- Agreed

ii) Employee rate for all types of work

- Resolution 22-124

8. Mayor's report

- Mayor requested that the Treasurer make a comparative analysis between the use of solid vs liquid calcium on our gravel road system.
- Mayor requested that the possibility of organizing activities in the arena in the spring of 2023, such as badminton or pickle ball, be considered by Council early next year.
- Mayor explained that the MNRF no longer intends to repair the spring overflow on Barker Road.

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Grenier

- Nil

B. Councilor Lemay

- Nil

10. By-laws

10.1 By-law no. 930 – Agreement with Secure Energy Services Inc.

- Resolution 22-125

11. Caucus

a) Caucus – Resolution 22-126

b) Regular meeting – Resolution 22-127

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

12.1 Hearst – Moosonee Diocese – responding to May 6th letter

12.2 PC federal deputies – rural communities at a disadvantage

12.3 Hours of work – May 2022

13. Resolutions

Agenda

Resolution 22-116: Richard Lemay - Daniel Grenier
THAT the agenda, as amended, be hereby accepted.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 22-117: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's regular meeting
22-07, held on May 24th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Resolution 22-118: Marc Dupuis – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Finance Committee meetings held on May 3rd and on May 17th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

2021 Financial Statements

Resolution 22-119: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Independent Auditor's report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ending December 31st, 2021 for the Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté, be hereby approved as circulated.

Carried

Financial report

Resolution 22-120: Marc Dupuis - Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial report ending May 31st, 2022 be hereby approved as circulated.

Carried

Pupil accommodation reviews

Resolution 22-121: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution No. 174-22 made by the Municipality of Shuniah requesting that 1) the Province increase the Rural and Northern Education Fund (RNEF) to \$50 million; 2) should the moratorium on accommodation reviews and school closures be lifted, the moratorium remain in place for schools that qualify for the RNEF until a thorough review of the education funding formula is completed, and; 3) before templates required by the 2018 Pupil Accommodation Review Guide are developed, there be consultation with school boards and community groups, including the Community Schools Alliance, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Shuniah and to our local federal and provincial parliament representatives, MP Carol Hugues and MPP Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Bill C-233, Keira's Law

Resolution 22-122: Marc Dupuis – Daniel Grenier

WHEREAS Judges need education on what constitutes domestic violence and coercive control and;

WHEREAS a formal education program for Judges would provide victims with another line of defense and prevent violence and abuse before it happens;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the resolution made by the Town of Aurora on May 24th, 2022, calling upon the House of Commons to support MP Anju Dhillon’s Private Member’s Bill C-233, known as “Keira’s Law”, in order to raise the level of education on domestic violence and coercive control for federally appointed Judges, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Town of Aurora and to our local federal and provincial parliament representatives, MP Carol Hugues and MPP Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Brisson Park swings

Resolution 22-123: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the current swing at Brisson Park be replaced with an heavy-duty swing comprised of four seats, including a toddler seat, at the approximate price of TWENTY-SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN (\$2,615.00) DOLLARS, plus taxes and shipping.

Carried

Employee rate for all types of work

Resolution 22-124: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

WHEREAS the municipal equipment fee schedule provides that the set fee includes the operator’s salary, and;

WHEREAS the presence of municipal employees is oftentimes required in other capacities, such as: landfill attendant outside of regular hours, additional operator, cemetery attendant, etc.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, going forward, the rate charged for the presence of said employee shall be calculated as follows: the highest rate in the collective agreement, plus 40% for benefits and administration fees, rounded up to the highest dollar, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the highest rate will be multiplied by 1.5, plus 40% for benefits and administration fees, rounded up to the highest dollar, if the municipal employee is performing overtime work, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a minimum of one hour be charged for the presence of a municipal employee. Fifteen minute increments can thereafter be charged.

Carried

By-law no. 930

Resolution 22-125: Richard Lemay – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 930, being a By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Secure Energy Services Inc., be hereby adopted.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 22-126: Marc Dupuis - Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:28 pm to adopt the minutes of closed meetings, to discuss labour relations and to discuss the disposition of land.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 22-127: Richard Lemay – Marc Dupuis
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 8:50 pm.

Carried

Minutes of closed meetings

Resolution 22-128: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of closed meetings 22-06 and 22-07, held respectively on May 3rd, 2022 and on May 24th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Summer employment

Resolution 22-129: Richard Lemay – Marc Dupuis
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the three Park attendant positions available this summer be filled by Karl Michaud, Jasmine Grenier and Léandre Vallières.

Carried

Disposition of land

Resolution 22-130: Marc Dupuis - Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council is not interested in renting the lot, or a portion therein, situated on the west side of the property located at 191, Mgr Proulx Avenue, in Mattice, and;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council is prepared to sell the southern portion of said lot to the owners of the adjacent property, located at 191, Mgr Proulx avenue, in Mattice, for the sum of THREE THOUSAND AND FIVE HUNDRED (\$3,500) DOLLARS, and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in order for this transfer to occur, the purchasers need to assume the costs of obtaining and registering the required survey, along with all legal fees involved in completing this transaction.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Tuesday, July 19th, 2022

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 22-131: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 929, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Tuesday, June 14th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 8:58 pm

Resolution 22-132: Richard Lemay – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on June 14th, 2022, be adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on July 19th, 2022

Mayor

CAO/Clerk