

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 21-09 (regular)

June 7th, 2021

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on June 7th, 2021, at 7:00 pm, via the zoom conferencing platform.

Present:

Mayor – Marc Dupuis
Councilor – Steve Brousseau
Councilor – Daniel Grenier
Councilor – Richard Lemay
Councilor – Joyce Malenfant

Staff

CAO/Clerk – Guylaine Coulombe
Treasurer – Annie Plamondon

1. Opening of meeting
The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:03 pm
2. Approval of the Order of Business
- Resolution 21-137
3. Pecuniary interest
- Councilor Lemay declared a pecuniary interest at item 7.2
4. Delegation and Presentation
Nil
5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meetings
- Resolutions 21-138 and 21-139
6. Treasurer's report
6.1 Financial report
- Resolution 21-140

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

- a) Township of McKellar – CERB taxable benefits
 - Resolution 21-141
- b) Town of Cochrane – reopening of Greenwater Provincial Park
 - Resolution 21-142
- c) Perth County – domestic production of vaccines
 - Resolution 21-143
- e) Township of the The Archipelago – unencapsulated polysterene foam
 - Resolution 21-144
- g) Town of Fort Erie – capital gain tax on sale of a primary residence
 - Resolution 21-145

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

- d) York Region – Reopen (Step 1) on May 31st 2021
- f) Township of The Archipelago – microplastics filters for washing machines

7.2 Connection to a private water line

- Deferred

Councilor Lemay waited in the virtual waiting room during the course of Council's discussions on this matter.

7.3 Report on various items

- a) Meetings/training sessions attended
- b) Information: recent pop-up vaccination clinic; WCAG 2.0 update ; verbal report - status of various financing programs
- c) Complaints received since last meeting
 - Filed
- d) For Council's consideration:
 - i) St-François Xavier Parish request - garage sales cannot take place at the arena until at least Step 3 of the reopening plan
 - Deferred
 - ii) Hall of Fame – while Council appreciates the suggestion, it has no venue for it at this time
 - Agreed
 - iii) Obnoxious use of a property in Val Côté – find out if and how the Municipality could address this matter by laying an Information under Part 3 of the Provincial Offences Act
 - Agreed

8. Mayor's report

8.1 Verbal report of the virtual Porcupine Health Unit Board meeting held on June 3rd 2021

8.2 Verbal report of the virtual emergency meeting called this afternoon by Dr. Catton of the PHU

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Brousseau

- Verbal report of the virtual Hearst LCC meeting held on May 26th, 2021

B. Councilor Grenier

- Nil

C. Councilor Lemay

- Nil

D. Councilor Malenfant

- Verbal report of the virtual MVC Public Library Board meeting held on June 3rd, 2021

10. By-laws

Nil

11. Caucus

a) Caucus – Resolution 21-146

b) Regular meeting – Resolution 21-147

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

12.1 Integrity Commissioner Report – 2019-2020

12.2 FONOM – Blue Box program; 2021 virtual Conference

13. Resolutions

Agenda

Resolution 21-137: Steve Brousseau – Richard Lemay
THAT the agenda be hereby accepted.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 21-138: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's regular meeting
21-07 held on May 18th, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Resolution 21-139: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's extraordinary meeting 21-08 held on May 31st, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Financial report

Resolution 21-140: Daniel Grenier – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial report ending April 30th, 2021 be hereby approved as circulated.

Carried

CERB taxable benefits

Resolution 21-141: Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau

WHEREAS CERB recipients are surprised to learn that they are expected to pay income tax on CERB funds;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution no. 21-195 made by the Township of McKellar, urging the Federal Government to address this serious issue and consider giving disadvantaged CERB recipients a tax break for 2020 or giving them a tax credit for 2021, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of McKellar and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Reopening of Greenwater
Provincial Park

Resolution 21-142: Marc Dupuis – Steve Brousseau

WHEREAS there is an extreme demand for camping and RVing from Ontarians wanting to go and enjoy the great outdoors, and;
WHEREAS Northerners have very little areas to be able to enjoy the outdoors as the closest Provincial Parks are Kettle Lakes and René Brunelle;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution no. 123-2021 made by the Town of Cochrane, calling on Premier Ford and the Ministry of Natural Resources to reopen the Greenwater Provincial Park, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Town of Cochrane and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Domestic production of vaccines

Resolution 21-143: Richard Lemay – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the Motion made by Perth County Council on May 20th 2021, encouraging all levels of government to engage and support domestic vaccine capacity, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Perth County and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Unencapsulated polystyrene foam

Resolution 21-144: Marc Dupuis – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution no. 21-092 made by the Township of The Archipelago, asking that the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative (Cities Initiatives) recognize the need for polystyrene foam to be encapsulated when used for flotation, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Cities Initiatives and its members call on the Federal Government of Canada (Ministries of Fisheries and the Environment), the Province of Ontario (Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry, Ministry of Environment, Conservation & Parks), the Province of Quebec, the United States (U.S.) Federal Government, and the U.S. states of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota to work in collaboration with each other to enact laws which: 1) ban unencapsulated polystyrene (PS) products in all new and replacement public and private floating facilities across the Great Lakes Region and the coasts of Canada and the United States; 2) find common standards of defining encapsulation with the goal of zero emissions from PS foam; 3) require the timely transition to approved encapsulated PS products, for all public and private floating facilities currently using unencapsulated PS foam and; 4) require the proper disposal of all unencapsulated expanded polystyrene (EPS) products currently being used for dock flotation, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of The Archipelago and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Capital gain tax on sale of a primary residence

Resolution 21-145: Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the Resolution made by the Town of Fort Erie on May 31st, 2021, asking that the Federal Government cease further consideration of eliminating capital gains tax exemptions on primary residences, and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Town of Fort Erie and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgoûin.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 21-146: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:11 pm to discuss i) the adoption of the minutes of closed meetings and ii) labour relations.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 21-147: Marc Dupuis – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 8:14 pm.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 21-148: Daniel Grenier – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council’s closed meeting 21-07 held on May 18th, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Resolution 21-149: Richard Lemay – Joyce Malenfant
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council’s closed meeting 21-08 held on May 31st, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Parks & Recreation Supervisor

Resolution 21-150: Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby confirms the hiring of Robert Rodrigue in the temporary full-time position of Parks & Recreation Supervisor.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Monday, July 5th, 2021 at 7:00 pm

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 21-151: Joyce Malenfant – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 896, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Monday, June 7th, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 8:19 pm

Resolution 21-152: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on June 7th, 2021, be adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on July 5th, 2021

Mayor

CAO/Clerk