

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 21-05 (regular)

March 22nd, 2021

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 22nd, 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 7:01 pm

2. Approval of the Order of Business
- Resolution 21-62

3. Pecuniary interest
Nil

4. Delegation and Presentation
Nil

5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meeting
- Resolutions 21-63

6. Treasurer's report
 - 6.1 Minutes of the Finance committee meeting
- Resolution 21-64

6.2 Tax adjustment application

- Resolution 21-65

6.3 Verbal report

a) Square terminal – user fees

- Resolution 21-66

b) Telephone system

- Resolution 21-67

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

a) Regional Municipality of Halton – long-term care homes during the pandemic

- Resolution 21-68

c) City of Sarnia – capacity limits in the covid framework

- Resolution 21-69

e) NeCN – tile drainage project

- Resolution 21-70

f) Township of South Glengarry – vaccine distribution

- Resolution 21-71

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

b) Township of Lake of Bays – capacity limits for restaurants

d) Niagara Region – funding to address homelessness

7.2 AgriSpirit Fund – request funding for firefighting gear

- Agreed

7.3 Reception area - redesign

- Resolution 21-72

7.4 Report on various items

a) Meetings/training sessions attended

b) Information

c) Complaints received since last meeting

- Filed

d) For Council's consideration

i) Upcoming sewer project – a donation request will be submitted to TC Energy in this regard

ii) July 1st statutory holiday – to be displaced to Friday, July 2nd 2021

iii) Northeastern Ontario Tourism – there was an undisclosed minimal fee. We will not be participating.

- Agreed

8. Mayor's report

8.1 Verbal report of a discussion with Stéphane Dufour pertaining to available commercial locations

8.2 Verbal report of a conversation with MPP Guy Bourgouin on a proposed provincial government overreaching authority

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Brousseau

- Nil

B. Councilor Grenier

- Verbal report of the CCEJ/Forma Jeunes meeting held in Hearst on March 16th, 2021

C. Councilor Lemay

- Nil

D. Councilor Malenfant

Nil

10. By-laws

10.1 By-law no. 886 – Fire Department

- Resolution 21-73

11. Caucus

a) Caucus – Resolution 21-74

b) Regular meeting – Resolution 21-75

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

12.1 Hours of work – February 2021

12.2 Municipality of Val Rita – Harty – NeCN request for agriculture project

12.3 OFM – training modernization

12.4 MPP Guy Bourgouin – Exolink project

12.5 MNRF – Annual Work Schedule on the Gordon Cosens Forest

12.6 OSG – OPP detachment board proposal – request our MPP's involvement in the process

- Agreed

13. Resolutions

Agenda Resolution 21-62: Richard Lemay - Joyce Malenfant
THAT the agenda be hereby accepted.
Carried

Minutes Resolution 21-63: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council’s regular meeting
21-04 held on March 1st, 2021, be hereby adopted.
Carried

Resolution 21-64: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Finance committee
meeting held on March 1st, 2021, be hereby adopted.
Carried

Tax adjustment application Resolution 21-65: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the application made by the Treasurer for
an adjustment of taxes under section 359 of *The Municipal Act*
with respect to roll no. 5677007005451000000 be hereby
approved as circulated.
Carried

Square terminal - user fees Resolution 21-66: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the processing fees incurred by the
Municipality to use the square terminal, currently set at 10 cents
per debit transaction, at 2.65% of the total per present credit
card transaction and at 3.4% of the total, plus 15 cents per
transaction, for a manually entered credit card transaction, be
charged to the user, and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a notice be posted in the
reception area advising the public of these user fees.
Carried

Telephone system Resolution 21-67 : Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby authorizes that a portion of
the municipal COVID funding be used to upgrade the current
municipal complex telephone system and equipment at a cost of
\$7,787.43, plus taxes.
Carried

Long term care homes
during the pandemic

Resolution 21-68: Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the resolution made by The Regional Municipality of Halton on February 17th 2021, i) endorsing the recommendations contained in AMO’s submission to the Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission, and urging the Provincial Government to move forward and implement these recommendations, including instituting higher standards , with increased funding to homes to implement those standards; ii) advocating to the Federal Government to enhance federal health care funding to the Provinces and Territories, specifically dedicating funding to long-term care, and to undertake further efforts to protect, promote and restore the physical and mental well-being of long-term care residents in Canada, and iii) requesting FCM to develop a policy and advocacy position on enhanced federal support for long-term care, and;

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

Carried

Capacity limits in the
COVID framework

Resolution 21-69: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the motion made by the Sarnia City Council on March 1st, 2021, advocating to the Province of Ontario for an adjustment of the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers and all retail/small businesses, as part of the colour coded system, and;

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

Carried

Tile drainage project

Resolution 21-70: Richard Lemay – Marc Dupuis

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter of support be forwarded to NeCN with respect to its funding application to NOHFC for an 8th tile drainage project.

Carried

Vaccine distribution

Resolution 21-71: Marc Dupuis – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution no. 75-2021 made by the Township of South Glengarry, urging Premier Doug Ford and the Province of Ontario to procure approved COVID-19 vaccines to be distributed to the residents of the Province of Ontario, to increase the Province’s vaccination rate to keep pace with the doses that have been received and to accelerate the launch of its COVID-19 vaccine booking system, and;

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

Carried

Redesign of the reception area

Resolution 21-72: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby authorizes that a portion of the municipal COVID funding be used to redesign the reception area, including the installation of a new desk, flooring, and additional door, as per the circulated estimates, and all the other anticipated costs pertaining to this work.

Carried

By-law no. 886

Resolution 21-73: Daniel Grenier – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 886, being a by-law to repeal by-law no. 340 and amendments thereto and to establish and regulate a Fire Department in the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 21-74: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:12 pm to discuss i) the adoption of the minutes of a closed meeting and ii) confidential information about identifiable individuals.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 21-75: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 8:40 pm.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 21-76: Daniel Grenier - Joyce Malenfant
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's closed meeting 21-04 held on March 1st, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Medical recruitment

Resolution 21-77: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby agrees to set aside the sum of \$2,000.00 in 2021 as a contribution to the incentive payment that could be made by the Town of Hearst to secure the services of a surgeon to our area.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Monday, April 26th, 2021 at 7:00 pm

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 21-78: Daniel Grenier – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 887, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Monday, March 22nd, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 8:49 pm

Resolution 21-79: Joyce Malenfant – Marc Dupuis
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on March 22nd, 2021, be adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on April 26th, 2021

Mayor

CAO/Clerk