

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 21-07 (regular)

May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 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

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1. Opening of meeting

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:10 pm

2. Approval of the Order of Business

The following item was added:

7.7 Petition – Parks & Recreation Supervisor position  
- Resolution 21-112

3. Pecuniary interest

Nil

4. Delegation and Presentation

Nil

5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meeting

- Resolutions 21-113

6. Treasurer's report

Nil

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

- a) Town of South Bruce Peninsula – lottery licensing for small organizations
  - Resolution 21-114
- d) City of Brantford – restrictions on outdoor recreational activities
  - Resolution 21-115
- e) NEOPWO – National Public Works Week designation
  - Resolution 21-116

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

- b) Town of Fort Erie – source water protection expanded to aquifers and private wells
- c) Township of Scugog – modifications to school bus routes
- f) Town of Perth – funding for hospitals' capital equipment
- g) Town of The Blue Mountains – after Covid roadmap

7.2 Complaint about Val Côté roads condition – a response was provided to the complainant and to the media on the matter

- Filed

7.3 NEOMA – mission, vision and values

- Resolution 21-117

7.4 OPP detachment reorganization

- Resolution 21-118

7.5 B & B Law – tax recovery services

- Filed

7.6 Report on various items

- a) Meetings/training sessions attended
- b) Municipal internet site – WCAG 2.0 – CAO to obtain further cost estimates in this regard
  - Deferred
- c) Complaints received since last meeting
  - Filed
- d) For Council's consideration
  - i) Missinaibi Medical Clinic - annual rent & other increases historically set at 3%. Proceed with the same.
    - Agreed
  - ii) St-François Xavier Parish – request to hold further garage sales
    - Deferred
  - iii) 2021 Senior of the Year Award – Council will not submit a nomination this year
    - Agreed

7.7 Petition – position of Parks & Recreation Supervisor – to be further discussed under the labour relations section of the closed meeting

- Deferred

8. Mayor's report

8.1 Verbal report of the virtual Porcupine Health Unit Board meeting held on April 29<sup>th</sup> 2021

8.2 Verbal report of upcoming discussions with a distributor interested in operating from Mattice – Val Côté

8.3 Mayor mentions that the dumping of unsightly material on a Val Côté property continues

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Brousseau

- Verbal report of the virtual meetings of the library taskforce and of the MVC Public Library Board held on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

B. Councilor Grenier

- Nil

C. Councilor Lemay

- Nil

D. Councilor Malenfant

- Verbal report of the virtual Foyer des Pionniers meeting held on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

- Verbal report of the virtual meetings of the library taskforce and of the MVC Public Library Board held on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

- Councilor Malenfant inquires about the circumstances in which a transient trader permit is required – CAO to look up the by-law and advise

10. By-laws

10.1 By-law no. 892 – water rates

- Resolution 21-119

10.2 By-law no. 893 – tax ratios

- Resolution 21-120

10.3 By-law no. 894 – tax rates, penalties & interest

- Resolution 21-121

11. Caucus

a) Caucus – Resolution 21-122

b) Regular meeting – Resolution 21-123

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

12.1 Hours of work – April 2021

12.2 MNRF – Insect Pest Management Program

12.3 Town of Hearst – update on the community safety & wellbeing plan

13. Resolutions

Agenda

Resolution 21-112: Joyce Malenfant – Daniel Grenier  
THAT the agenda, as amended, be hereby accepted.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 21-113: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council’s regular meeting 21-06 held on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Lottery licensing -  
small organizations

Resolution 21-114: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution R-226-2021 made by the Town of South Bruce Peninsula, seeking assistance from the Ministry responsible for Alcohol and Gaming in Ontario, to implement an additional level of licensing which would permit small organizations to hold lottery fundraisers as a method of sustaining our community and organizations, and;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Town of South Bruce Peninsula and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Restrictions on outdoor  
recreational activities

Resolution 21-115: Steve Brousseau – Marc Dupuis  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the Resolution made by the City of Brantford on April 27<sup>th</sup> 2021, recommending that the Province of Ontario withdraw its prohibition on golfing and any other outdoor recreational activities which can be enjoyed while maintaining proper social distancing, and;

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

Carried

National Public Works Week

Resolution 21-116: Joyce Malenfant – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the designation of the week of May 16-22 as National Public Works Week and urge all citizens to pay tribute to public works employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our health, safety and quality of life.

Carried

NEOMA

Resolution 21-117: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby directs the CAO to provide NOEMA with suggestions, as discussed, with respect to its vision, mission and values.

Carried

OPP Detachment Reorganization

Resolution 21-118: Steve Brousseau – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby agrees with and supports the OPP Detachment Board proposal prepared by the Town of Kapuskasing for the communities that currently form the James Bay Detachment, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Kapuskasing is hereby authorized to submit said proposal on Council's behalf.

Carried

By-law no. 892

Resolution 21-119: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 892, being a by-law to establish water rates for 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

By-law no. 893

Resolution 21-120: Richard Lemay – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 893, being a by-law to establish tax ratios for 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

By-law no. 894

Resolution 21-121: Steve Brousseau – Joyce Malenfant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 894, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 21-122: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:03 pm to discuss i) the adoption of the minutes of a closed meeting; ii) labour relations; iii) confidential information about identifiable individuals and iv) the acquisition or disposition of land.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 21-124: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 9:20 pm.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 21-125: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's closed meeting 21-06 held on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Employment conditions

Resolution 21-126: Daniel Grenier – Joyce Malenfant

WHEREAS members of the Mattice – Val Côté Public Library Board have asked Council to modify the document that outlines the 2020-2022 employment conditions for non-union employees by deleting the words "... and the Librarian..." from paragraph 6.2, by reinstating the original/previous paragraph 6.3 and by changing, as required, the subsequent numbering of paragraph 6;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby agrees to amend said document as per the Public Library Board's request.

Carried

Parks & Recreation Supervisor

Resolution 21-127: Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter be sent to the spokesperson for the individuals that signed the petition outlining the reasons for Council's decision to hire a temporary Parks & Recreation Supervisor.

Carried

Park attendants

Resolution 21-128: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 3 available park attendant positions be offered to James Morin, to Francis Lacasse and to Léandre Vallières.

Carried

Tax arrears

Resolution 21-129: Richard Lemay – Joyce Malenfant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Treasurer is hereby authorised to proceed with the firm B & B Law for the collection of tax arrears, prioritizing those that pertain to inhabited dwellings and;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the option of another payment agreement be avoided with property owners who failed to honour the terms of their initial payment agreement.

Carried

Residential campfires

Resolution 21-130: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby confirms that it is not prepared to enact a by-law to regulate small residential campfires.

Carried

Sale of real property

Resolution 21-131: Steve Brousseau – Joyce Malenfant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO is hereby authorized to obtain a legal opinion with respect to the procedure outlined in Schedule 1 of By-law no. 374.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 pm

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 21-132: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 895, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 9:26 pm

Resolution 21-133: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on  
May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, be adjourned at 9:26 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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Mayor

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CAO/Clerk