

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 22-03 (regular)

February 15th, 2022

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on February 15th, 2022, 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 7:09 pm

2. Approval of the Order of Business
The following item was added:
7.1 d) Municipality of Shuniah – NOSM expansion
- Resolution 22-25

3. Pecuniary interest
Nil

4. Delegation and Presentation
Nil

5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meeting
- Resolutions 22-26

6. Treasurer's report
Nil

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

- b) i) City of Brantford – bail system reform
 - Resolution 22-27
- ii) City of Brantford – judicial resources
 - Resolution 22-28
- c) MPP Guy Bourgouin – Bill 59
 - Resolution 22-29
- d) Municipality of Shuniah – NOSM expansion
 - Resolution 22-30

The following request was received and filed:

- a) Town of Aurora – dissolution of the OLT

7.2 Policy – disposal of surplus assets – CAO to amend, as discussed

- Deferred

7.3 KPMG report – prioritize opportunities – to be reviewed during the course of a face to face meeting

- Deferred

7.4 Funding applications

- Resolution 22-31

7.5 Proposed Firefighter Certification – the proposed regulation requires Council to set levels of service and to train and certify its firefighters to these levels

- Filed

7.6 Report on various items

- a) Meetings/training sessions attended
- b) Information
- c) Complaints
 - Filed

d) For Council's consideration:

- i) RfP for the sale of the sports complex – CAO expressed concerns over the distribution of the document – send to CLFN and to all Ontario Community Futures Development Corporations
 - Agreed

- ii) Curling equipment – will not loan junior curling rocks for outside play; brooms can be given to the elementary school

- Agreed

8. Mayor's report

8.1 Verbal report of a virtual meeting held on February 10th, 2022, to discuss the TDH strategic plan

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Brousseau

- Explained the difficulties/concerns with the province's new bait management strategy. The Mayor will contact our local MPP on this matter.
- Agreed

B. Councilor Grenier

- Verbal report of the Hearst FMA meeting held virtually on February 1st, 2022

C. Councilor Lemay

- Nil

D. Councilor Malenfant

- Verbal report of the Mattice – Val Côté Public Library meeting held virtually on January 27th, 2022
- Verbal report of the Hearst Planning Board meeting held in Hearst on February 9th, 2022
- Verbal report of the Foyer des Pionniers virtual meeting held on February 10th, 2022

10. By-laws

10.1 By-law no. 914 – cemetery price list

- Resolution 22-32

10.2 By-law no. 915 – agreement with PSD Citywide Inc.

- Resolution 22-33

10.3 By-law no. 916 – funding agreement under the NORDS Fund

- Resolution 22-34

11. Caucus

a) Caucus – Resolution 22-35

b) Regular meeting – Resolution 22-36

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

12.1 Hours of work – December 2021 and January 2022

12.2 FONOM – questions to submit to the upcoming Northern Leaders Debate

12.3 Multi-municipal wind turbine working group - membership

13. Resolutions

Agenda

Resolution 22-25: Richard Lemay - Joyce Malenfant
THAT the agenda, as amended, be hereby accepted.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 22-26: Daniel Grenier – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council’s regular meeting 22-02, held on January 18th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Bail system reform

Resolution 22-27: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the resolution adopted by the City of Brantford on January 25th, 2022, calling upon the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada and his government to take immediate steps to strengthen the bail system, including i) imposing more demanding and stringent surety and supervision requirements and ii) imposing more substantive and effective consequences for continued breaches of a judicial interim release order (known as “bail”) resulting in pre-trial incarceration, in order to safeguard law abiding citizens and to restore their faith in the criminal justice system, 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

Judicial resources

Resolution 22-28: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the resolution adopted by the City of Brantford on January 25th, 2022, calling upon the President of the Treasury Board and upon the Attorney General of Ontario and their government to take immediate steps to: i) provide additional judicial resources to allow for matters to move as expeditiously as possible through the court system; ii) provide such additional space and/or technological resources for the local courts to ensure there is adequate space and technological resources to most efficiently address the significant local caseloads and consequently decrease the time a matter takes to be fully resolved, and iii) dedicate the required resources to

collect the forfeited surety monies and reinvest that money back into the provincial judicial system, 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

Bill 59

Resolution 22-29: Marc Dupuis – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Bill 59, being an Act to amend the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act to make norther Ontario highways safer, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté supports the premise that classifying highways 11 and 17 at par with all 400 series highways and the QEW highway will ensure the strictest requirements for snow removal, thereby significantly improving winter road maintenance and conditions, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier Doug Ford, to the Minister of Transportation, Caroline Mulroney, and to our federal and provincial government representatives, Carol Hughes and Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

NOSM expansion

Resolution 22-30: Joyce Malenfant – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Resolution no. 44-22 adopted by the Municipality of Shuniah, supporting the resolution made by the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) for the expansion of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) in order to address the urgent need for physicians in Northern Ontario, and;

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

Carried

Funding applications

Resolution 22-31: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby directs the CAO/Clerk to submit a funding application under the Inclusive Community Grant program to build a ramp and a sidewalk for the Brisson park gazebo and to install benches along the sidewalks and in parks and cemeteries throughout the community.

Carried

By-law no. 914

Resolution 22-32: Steve Brousseau - Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 914, being a By-law to amend By-law no. 774, be hereby adopted.

Carried

By-law no. 915

Resolution 22-33: Steve Brousseau – Joyce Malenfant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 915, being a By-law to enter into an agreement with PSD Citywide Inc., be hereby adopted.

Carried

By-law no. 916

Resolution 22-19: Richard Lemay – Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 916, being a By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Her Majesty The Queen of Ontario for the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support Fund, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 22-35: Daniel Grenier - Steve Brousseau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:37 pm to adopt the minutes of a closed meeting and to discuss labour relations.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 22-36: Marc Dupuis – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 9:12 pm.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 22-37: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's closed meeting 22-02, held on February 18th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Part-time employment

Resolution 22-38: Steve Brousseau – Marc Dupuis

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the part-time labour position that is currently available with the Municipality be offered to Adrien Lachance.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Monday, March 14th, 2022

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 22-39: Steve Brousseau – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 917, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Tuesday, February 15th, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 9:22 pm

Resolution 22-40: Joyce Malenfant - Richard Lemay

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on February 15th, 2022, be adjourned at 9:22 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on March 14th, 2022

Mayor

CAO/Clerk