

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 22-10 (regular)

August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on August 30<sup>th</sup>, 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  
Councilor – Joyce Malenfant

Staff

CAO/Clerk – Guylaine Coulombe

Absent:

Councilor – Steve Brousseau  
Treasurer – Annie Plamondon

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1. Opening of meeting  
The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:00 pm
  
2. Approval of the Order of Business  
The following item was added:  
7.9 Financial report  
- Resolution 22-150
  
3. Pecuniary interest  
Councilor Grenier declared a pecuniary interest at item no. 7.6 and did not participate in the discussion.
  
4. Delegation and Presentation  
Nil
  
5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meeting  
- Resolutions 22-151

6. Treasurer's report

Nil

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

a) Nature Canada – marine conservation areas in the Great Lakes

- Resolution 22-152

b) Town of South Bruce Peninsula – shortage of physicians

- Resolution 22-153

d) Township of Black River - Matheson, Town of Kapuskasing, Township of Fauquier - Strickland – locate delays

- Resolution 22-154

g) Township of Black River – Matheson – broadband coverage

- Resolution 22-155

The following requests for support were received and filed:

c) Town of South Bruce Peninsula – firefighter certification

e) City of Brantford – money laundering in the Ontario real estate market

f) Town of Aylmer – funding to respond to extreme heat and cold events

7.2 E4M – Integrity Commissioner Report 2021

- Filed

7.3 EPRA – electronic waste collection and recycling

- Resolution 22-156

7.4 IESO invitations – upcoming webinars on bulk electricity planning

- Filed

7.5 Update on projects and funding applications

- Filed

Funds from TC Energy

- Resolution 22-157

7.6 Tender Report and Review – Lemieux/Queen Street Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

- Resolution 22-158

7.7 Swing purchase – Brisson Park

- Resolution 22-159

7.8 Report on various items

- a) Meetings/training sessions attended
- b) Information provided
- c) Complaints
  - Filed
- d) For Council's consideration
  - i) Request - use of community hall for Mattice Market
    - Resolution 22 – 160

7.9 Financial report – to July 31<sup>st</sup> 2022

- Resolution 22-161

8. Mayor's report

The Mayor inquired about the process involved in reducing the speed limit in the village of Mattice and in setting up a pedestrian crosswalk on the highway (2<sup>nd</sup> Street).

- Deferred

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Grenier

- Nil

B. Councilor Lemay

- Nil

C. Councilor Malenfant

- Verbal report of the Hearst Planning Board meeting held in Hearst on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

10. By-laws

Nil

11. Caucus

- a) Caucus – Resolution 22-162
- b) Regular meeting – Resolution 22-163

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

12.1 Hours of work – July 2022

12.2 MMAH – *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act*

13. Resolutions

Agenda

Resolution 22-150: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay  
THAT the agenda, as amended, be hereby accepted.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 22-151: Daniel Grenier – Joyce Malenfant  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's regular meeting 22-09, held on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

Marine conservation areas –  
Great Lakes

Resolution 22-152: Daniel Grenier – Joyce Malenfant  
WHEREAS Nature Canada recently requested Council's support to urge the provincial and federal governments to make a commitment to work together, in collaboration with First Nations, to advance the establishment of new National Marine Conservation Areas in the Great Lakes, starting with Lake Ontario, and;  
WHEREAS National Marine Conservation Areas are protected from such activities as ocean dumping, undersea mining, and oil and gas exploration and development, while traditional fishing activities are permitted but managed with the conservation of the ecosystem as the main goal;  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports the establishment of new National Marine Conservation Areas in the Great Lakes, starting with Lake Ontario, as this designation is the ideal conservation tool to ensure the waters of the Great Lakes are permanently protected and able to combat increasingly serious threats to biodiversity like climate change, pollution, development and invasive species, and;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Nature Canada and to our local federal and provincial parliament representatives, MP Carol Hugues and MPP Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Shortage of physicians

Resolution 22-153: Richard Lemay – Daniel Grenier

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario and particularly rural areas are experiencing a severe shortage of physicians, leaving many people without access to medical care;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby supports Motion R-266-2020 made by Council for the Town of South Bruce Peninsula requesting that the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada recognize the shortage of physicians, including specialists and general practitioners, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, in order to support Ontario municipalities and their residents, the provincial and federal governments take steps to provide support and subsidy to students entering medical school with the intention of becoming practicing physicians in the province of Ontario, particularly in underserved rural and northern municipalities, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the provincial and federal governments work with Canadian universities to increase the number of students accepted into medical school and residency programs, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Province expedite the accreditation process for foreign medical practitioners, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté supports whatever protective measures the provincial and federal governments place on the subsidy given, to ensure that the students receiving funding become practicing physicians in the province of Ontario, and;

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

Carried

Locate delays

Resolution 22-154: Joyce Malenfant – Daniel Grenier

WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté received a copy of letters pertaining to locate delays from the Township of Black River – Matheson dated July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and addressed to GTel, from the Town of Kapuskasing dated July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and addressed to FONOM and from the Township of Fauquier – Strickland dated August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and addressed to FONOM, and;

WHEREAS these letters denounce the significant delays that are occurring throughout northern Ontario to obtain underground locates during the busy construction season and also describe the impact of those delays on our communities and on their development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby echoes the comments and arguments presented by the surrounding communities on the issue of locate delays, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council calls upon the provincial government to streamline and advance the locate process in Ontario in order for the system to be safe, timely and cost-effective for the residents, businesses and communities that it serves, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Black River – Matheson, to the Town of Kapuskasing, to the Township of Fauquier – Strickland, to FONOM and to our local federal and provincial parliament representatives, MP Carol Hugues and MPP Guy Bourgouin.

Carried

Broadband coverage

Resolution 22-155: Marc Dupuis – Daniel Grenier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice - Val Côté hereby supports the letter pertaining to broadband coverage from the Township of Black River - Matheson dated August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and addressed to the Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council fails to understand why many of the municipalities that will benefit from Ontario Connects already have exceptional broadband coverage while said coverage remains either non-existent or extremely poor in other areas of the province that have nevertheless been excluded from the program, and;

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

Carried

Electronic Waste Collection & Recycling

Resolution 22-156: Richard Lemay – Joyce Malenfant  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby reaffirms the permission previously granted to the CAO/Clerk to sign on its behalf a letter from the Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA) dated July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, in order for EPRA to safely manage our electronic waste.

Carried

Funds from TC Energy

Resolution 22-157: Marc Dupuis – Daniel Grenier  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO/Clerk request funding from TC Energy to help alleviate a portion of the contribution that the Municipality needs to make on the ICIP – Green (water) project.

Carried

Tender Report and Review

Resolution 22-158: Joyce Malenfant – Richard Lemay  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby accepts the recommendation made by EXP that an agreement be entered into with C. Villeneuve Construction Co. Ltd. for the Lemieux / Queen Street Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project for the sum of FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$444, 851.80) and eighty cents.

Carried

Swing purchase

Resolution 22-159: Daniel Grenier – Joyce Malenfant  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the purchase of a swing for Brisson Park from Henderson Playground Equipment is hereby authorised in the amount of FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$4,870.53) and fifty-three cents.

Carried

Use of community hall

Resolution 22-160: Daniel Grenier – Marc Dupuis  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby agrees to rent the community hall to allow area entrepreneurs to showcase and sell their products at the current rate of TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$285.00) per day, plus taxes, being the pre-established rate for local clubs and organizations.

Carried

Financial report

Resolution 22-161: Daniel Grenier – Joyce Malenfant  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial report ending July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 be hereby approved as circulated.

Carried

Caucus

Resolution 22-162: Daniel Grenier – Richard Lemay  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into closed meeting at 8:12 pm to discuss a) information supplied in confidence by a third party and b) labour relations.

Carried

Regular meeting

Resolution 22-163: Marc Dupuis – Richard Lemay  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 8:25 pm.

Carried

14. Next meeting: Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 22-164: Joyce Malenfant – Daniel Grenier  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 934, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 8:28 pm

Resolution 22-165: Richard Lemay – Joyce Malenfant  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, be adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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Mayor

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CAO/Clerk