

The Corporation of the Township of Mattice – Val Côté

Meeting 24-14 (regular)

September 24th, 2024

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on September 24th, 2024, at 7:00 pm, in the Municipal Council Chambers at the Town Hall, 500 Highway 11, Mattice, Ontario.

Present:

Mayor – Marc Dupuis

Councilor – Steve Brousseau

Councilor – Sophie Gagnon

Councilor – Joyce Malenfant

Councilor – Réginald Manning

Staff

CAO/Clerk – Guylaine Coulombe

Treasurer – Annie Plamondon

Others

Macha Plamondon, Kayla Rodrigue, Crystal Lacroix and Vanessa Godbout (left after the delegation)

Claudine Brunelle and Lyne Malenfant (left prior to caucus)

Renée-Pier Fontaine – Hearst medias (left prior to caucus)

1. Opening of meeting

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:01 pm

2. Approval of the Order of Business

The following item was added:

10.1 By-law no. 1001 – Library Board nominations
- Resolution 24-186

3. Pecuniary interest

Councilor Manning declared an interest at item 6.1

4. Delegation, Presentation, Meeting requested by Council

Macha Plamondon asked Council to establish a daycare center in Mattice – she explained why it is needed, offered suggestions pertaining to its location and operation (staffing, meals, costs, hours, etc.) and answered Council's questions.

5. Adoption of minutes of previous Council meeting

- Resolution 24-187

6. Treasurer's report

- 6.1 Granular bids
 - Resolution 24-188

7. CAO's report

7.1 Resolutions/requests for support

- a) Porcupine Health Unit – public health funding
 - Resolution 24-189

- 7.2 Requests for support – CAO will develop a policy outlining which resolutions of support are to be brought to Council's attention
 - Agreed

- 7.3 Estimates – water treatment plant and community hall
 - Resolutions 24-190 and 24-191

- 7.4 Food Cycler municipal program – survey results were provided to Council
 - Filed

7.5 Report – various items

- a) Training/meetings attended
- b) Information provided
- c) Complaints
 - Filed

d) For Council's consideration

- i) Comfort Station – usage concerns
 - Deferred
- ii) Lakeshore Capacity Assessment – additional questions to be asked pertaining to previous buildings and their footprint – no need for a presentation to Council at this time
 - Agreed
- iii) Future of the ice rink – nothing to report at this time
 - Deferred
- iv) Delegation request for a daycare center – CAO to have discussions with CDSB, the CSCDGR and the Town of Hearst in this regard
 - Agreed

8. Mayor's report

8.1 Verbal report of the NeCN Board meeting held in Kapuskasing on September 12th, 2024

8.2 Verbal report of the PHU Board of Health meeting held in Timmins on September 12th, 2024

8.3 Mayor mentioned he received many positive comments about the cemetery's appearance at a ceremony held there on September 22nd

9. Councilors' reports

A. Councilor Brousseau

- Medical personnel recruitment committee – questions whether MVC will ever be called upon to participate therein – CAO to follow up

B. Councilor Gagnon

- Verbal report of the AGM and regular meeting of the Hearst Forest Management Board, held in Hearst on September 4th, 2024
- Verbal report of the Long Term Care committee meeting held virtually on September 12th, 2024
- Inquired on the status of the Val Côté bridge re: propane delivery
- Mentioned that a petition is circulating with respect to re-opening the arena mini-gym

C. Councilor Malenfant

- Verbal report of the MVC Library Board meeting held on September 10th, 2024
- Verbal report of the Foyer des Pionniers Board meeting held in Hearst on September 12th, 2024

D. Councilor Manning

- Verbal report of the Kap LCC meeting which took place on September 11th, 2024

10. By-laws

- 10.1 By-law no. 1001– Library Board nominations
- Resolution 24-192

11. Caucus

- a) Caucus – Resolution 24-193
- b) Regular meeting – Resolution 24-194

12. Minutes/Periodic reports/Correspondence

The following documents were received and filed:

- 12.1 Hours of work – August 2024
- 12.2 MNR – prescribed burns on Hearst and Gordon Cosens Forests
- 12.3 MAFA – AWEDI funding

13. Resolutions

Agenda

Resolution 24-186: Réginald Manning - Joyce Malenfant
THAT the agenda, as amended, be hereby accepted.

Carried

Minutes

Resolution 24-187: Steve Brousseau - Sophie Gagnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Council's regular meeting 24-13, held on September 3rd, 2024 be hereby adopted.

Carried

Granular bids

Resolution 24-188: Sophie Gagnon – Joyce Malenfant
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby accepts the bids submitted by Morin Construction Ltd to deliver the requested amounts of Granular "A" to the municipal complex, to Shallow Lake Road, to Shannon Road and to Gagnon Road for the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED and FIFTY-EIGHT (\$112,458) DOLLARS, plus taxes, and to deliver the requested amount of blow sand to the landfill site for the sum of FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED and TWENTY-TWO (\$4,122) DOLLARS, plus taxes, and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council hereby accepts the bid submitted by Villeneuve Construction Co. Ltd. to deliver the requested amount of Granular "B" to the municipal complex for the sum of FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED and SEVENTY-FOUR (\$4,374) DOLLARS, plus taxes.

Carried

Public health funding

Resolution 24-189: Marc Dupuis – Steve Brousseau
WHEREAS the seven northern Medical Officers of Health recently wrote a letter to Kieran Moore, the Chief Medical Officer of Health & Assistant Deputy Minister, providing "Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review", which outlines the challenges and inequities impacting the health of northern communities and requests that different metrics and solutions be considered in this regard;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby support motion no. BOH-2024-09-72 made by the Board of Health for the Porcupine Health Unit, supporting the letter "Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review" and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Kieran Moore, to the Board of Health for the Porcupine Health Unit and to our local parliament representatives, MPP Guy Bourgouin and MP Carol Hughes.

Carried

- Water treatment plant estimates Resolution 24-190: Joyce Malenfant – Sophie Gagnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the contract to repair and paint the water treatment plant ceiling be awarded to Roch Lapointe Enterprises for the sum of FOURTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED (\$14,800) DOLLARS, plus taxes.
Carried
- Community hall estimates Resolution 24-191: Sophie Gagnon – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the contract to repair and paint the downstairs lobby, washrooms and office be awarded to NR Collin Renovation for the sum of FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED (\$5,400) DOLLARS, plus taxes.
Carried
- By-law no. 1001 Resolution 24-192: Steve Brousseau – Sophie Gagnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 1001, being a by-law to appoint the members of the Mattice – Val Côté Library Board, be hereby adopted.
Carried
- Caucus Resolution 24-193: Steve Brousseau – Joyce Malenfant
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into a closed meeting at 8:25 pm to discuss labour relations and the acquisition or disposition of land.
Carried
- Regular meeting Resolution 24-194: Marc Dupuis – Steve Brousseau
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council resume at 8:45 pm.
Carried
- Surplus land Resolution 24-195: Steve Brousseau – Réginald Manning
WHEREAS the property located at 207 Balmoral Street in Mattice, legally described as Lot 232 on Plan M2C in the Township of Eilber, was recently acquired by the Municipality following a sale process for tax arrears, and;
WHEREAS the property located at 156 Third Street North in Mattice, legally described as the north part of Lot 114 on Plan M2C in the Township of Eilber, was recently acquired by the Municipality following a sale process for tax arrears;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté hereby declares both properties to be surplus to the needs of the Municipality, and; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council dispose of the properties by listing them with a real estate broker, namely Dany Couture of Remax, and; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the sale price be determined based on the broker's opinion pertaining to their respective value.

Carried

14. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, October 22nd, 2024

15. Confirmatory by-law

Resolution 24-196: Steve Brousseau – Sophie Gagnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 1000, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on Tuesday, September 24th, 2024, be hereby adopted.

Carried

16. Adjournment: 9:10 pm

Resolution 24-197: Joyce Malenfant - Sophie Gagnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council held on September 24th, 2024, be adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Carried

Read and confirmed on October 22nd, 2024

Mayor

CAO/Clerk