



THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

NOVEMBER 25, 2020

HELD IN TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN RECREATION HALL

Present	Mayor	Anne Commando-Dubé
	Councillor	Guy Dube
	Councillor	Albert Durand
	Councillor	Nelson Costello
	Clerk	Janet Gore
	Deputy-Clerk	Barbara Knauth
Regrets	Councillor	Samantha Ruck

2020-250

Moved by: G. Dubé **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation Township of
Seconded by: N. Costello Matachewan, call this meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

“carried”

2020-251

Moved by: N. Costello **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township
Seconded by: G. Dubé of Matachewan, accept the agenda as presented, subject to the following additions:

Bids surplus equipment
THU- Walking audit
Landfill building- Moving?
Legion Snow Removal -follow up
Matachewan First Nation – possible meeting

“carried”

Pecuniary interest declared by G. Dubé re bids surplus equipment.

2020-252

Moved by: N. Costello **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of
Seconded by: G. Dubé Matachewan, do hereby adopt the minutes of November 10, 2020 as circulated.

“carried”

2020-253

Moved by: N. Costello **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of
Seconded by: G. Dubé Matachewan, do hereby approve payment of accounts December 1, 2020 to
December 15, 2020 in the amount of \$78,342.57.

“carried”

2020-254

Moved by: N. Costello **THAT** we, the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Matachewan,
Seconded by: G. Dubé support the concerns of the District of Timiskaming Social Services Board
(DTSSAB) as to the loss of revenue resulting from the 2021 Rent Freeze
under the Helping Tenants and Small Businesses Act, 2020;
and its request to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding to offset
this revenue loss which will result in a higher levy in 2021 to the Municipalities
in the District to Temiskaming; and
FURTHER THAT this resolution of support be sent to AMO; FONOM;
OMSSA; John Vanthof MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane; DTSSAB; and all
Municipalities in the District of Temiskaming.

“carried”

2020-255

Moved by: N. Costello **WHEREAS** John Vanthof, MPP Timiskaming–Cochrane has introduced Bill 226,
Seconded by: G. Dubé Broadband is an Essential Service Act;
AND WHEREAS we deem Broadband to be an Essential Service as witnessed by
issues surrounding COVID19;
NOW THEREFORE we, the Council of the Township of Matachewan, support Bill
226;
AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon, Doug Ford,
Premier of Ontario; all Ontario MPP’s; AMO; FONOM and all the municipalities in
The District of Timiskaming.

“carried”

2020-256

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS, we are in receipt of the following Motion #5 of The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Larder Lake passed on November 10, 2020
“WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has had significant financial and operational impacts on Ontario municipalities; and
WHEREAS, municipalities have had to divert resources towards addressing the immediate needs of the pandemic and maintaining service delivery standards despite evolving restrictions and limited funds; and
WHEREAS, the Government of Ontario has delayed timelines with respect to several pieces of legislation; and
WHEREAS, the Government of Ontario has regulated municipal asset management through 0. Reg. 588/17: Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure under the Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015; and
WHEREAS, 0. Reg. 588/17 mandates that every municipality shall prepare an asset management plan in respect of its core municipal infrastructure assets by July 1, 2021, and in respect of all of its other municipal infrastructure assets by July 1, 2023; And
WHEREAS, the key components of an asset management plan as required by the regulation are:

1. Infrastructure asset inventory
2. Levels of service
3. Lifecycle management and financial strategy

AND WHEREAS, there is a concern amongst Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA) members and their municipalities that current capacity challenges (redeployment of staff, and lack of available resources) will result in limitations for purposeful asset management planning; and

WHEREAS, Ontario municipalities do not anticipate the current capacity challenges to be resolved in the short-term;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Larder Lake supports MFOA's letter to the Ministry of Infrastructure requesting a one-year extension of deadlines in 0. Reg. 588/17: Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure under the Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015; so that all municipalities can focus on the immediate needs of the pandemic and engage in municipal asset management planning when capacity challenges are resolved.”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, support the Township of Larder Lake; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Steven Clarke, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; M.F.O.A. and the Township of Larder Lake.

“carried”

2020-257

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS we have been getting numerous announcements of available grants; and
WHEREAS we are very appreciative of the opportunity to apply for these grants; however, the turn around time for applications is very short and restrictive for small Municipalities with few employees;

NOW THEREFORE we, the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, send a letter to Hon. Steve Clarke, Ministers of Municipal Affairs and Housing acknowledging the appreciation of the grants but requesting that the application deadline on any further grants have a longer turn around time; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to AMO, FONOM and all Municipalities in Ontario.

“carried”

2020-258

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, acknowledge receipt of the Quarter Assessment Update from Municipal Assessment Corporation.

“carried”

GUY DUBE DECLARED PECUNIARY INTEREST ON NEXT ITEM

2020-259

Moved by: A. Durand
Seconded by: N. Costello

WHEREAS we have received the following bids for equipment previously declared as surplus as follows:

- Andre Dubé for Water Heater Aero Model EF322T/A in amount of \$100.00
Andre Dubé for Oil Forced Air Furnace Model #0HBS3F1001B-3MC in amount of \$100.00
Andre Dubé for 2014 Furnace Oil Tank in amount of \$100.00

AND WHEREAS no other bids have been received;

NOW THEREFORE we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do hereby accept the bid from Andre Dube for the above three items at total amount of \$300.00.

“carried”

2020-260

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, authorize staff to participate in a “walk audit” of the Township of Matachewan with the Timiskaming Health Unit and the O.P.P,

“carried”

2020-261

Moved by: N. Costello
Seconded by: G. Dubé

WHEREAS, be of COVID19, we will not be having a Christmas party for Council, Staff and Volunteers this year;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, authorize the purchase of Canadian Tire Gift Cards in the amount of \$100.00 for each member of Council, Staff, Fire Department Volunteers and Committee Members

“carried”

2020-262

Moved by: G. Dubé
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, order a sign for back of existing sign on Hwy 66.

Sign to say: Thank you!
Miigwetch!
Merci!
Come again!

“carried”

Discussions and Directions:
Prepare By-Law re Sea Cans for next meeting
Prepare By-Law for agreement with Fairtax for next meeting
Have shed at Landfill moved to just inside gate entrance
Purchase Santa Suit
Invite D.M. Wills to meeting in January to discuss Landfill Site Study recommendations
Arrange meeting with M.T.O. Corridor Control re: access from Hwy 66 to Industrial Park
Call M.N.R. re: Souci Lake Road and Duncan Creek Road

2020-263

Moved by: A. Durand
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, enters the in-camera portion of the Meeting at 8:32p.m. to discuss legal and personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

“carried”

2020-264

Moved by: A. Durand
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, do hereby come out of closed session and re-open the regular meeting at 9 p.m.

“carried”

2020- 265

Moved by: A. Durand
Seconded by: N. Costello

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT we, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, hereby do now adjourn until next regular meeting on December 15, 2020, or at call of the Mayor.

“carried”

Anne Commando-Dubé
Mayor

Janet Gore
Clerk