



CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST NIPISSING /
LA CORPORATION DE LA MUNICIPALITÉ DE NIPISSING OUEST

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020 AT 6:30 PM**

PRESENT: MAYOR JOANNE SAVAGE (*in person*)
COUNCILLOR YVON DUHAIME (T)
COUNCILLOR CHRISTOPHER FISHER (T)
COUNCILLOR ROLAND LARABIE (T)
COUNCILLOR LÉO MALETTE (T)
COUNCILLOR DAN ROVEDA (T)
COUNCILLOR JEREMY SÉGUIN (T)
COUNCILLOR DENIS SÉNÉCAL (T)
COUNCILLOR LISE SÉNÉCAL (*in person*)

ABSENT:

VIRTUAL MEETING / RÉUNION VIRTUELLE

A) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / DÉCLARATION D'INTÉRÊTS PÉCUNIAIRES

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

B) AGENDA and ADDENDUM / ORDRE DU JOUR et ADDENDA

B-1 A resolution was passed to approve the Addendum.

No. 2020/141 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Addendum for the meeting of Council held on June 2, 2020 be adopted as presented / amended.

CARRIED

B-2 The Mayor stated that the item concerning the CANO Agreement should be removed from the Agenda as the request had not been updated nor a copy of the agreement provided to all members. Council agreed to amend the Agenda to remove the item.

A request was made by Councillor Séguin to further amend the agenda to include a Closed Session for the purpose of providing personal information relating to an identifiable resident to members of Council. Council discussed the proposed closed session with the Clerk and CAO providing input on the legal aspects of such a session following which, a majority of members supported amending the agenda to include a closed session.

No. 2020/142 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on June 2, 2020 be adopted as presented / amended.

CARRIED

C) DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS / DÉLÉGATIONS ET PÉTITIONSNIL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING / COMITÉ PLÉNIER

D-1) GENERAL GOVERNMENT / GOUVERNEMENT GÉNÉRAL

D-1(a) Tax Ratios

The Director of Corporate Services provided a memo outlining Council’s options as it relates to setting the various tax ratios for the municipality. Following discussion, Council agreed to maintain the status quo for the 2020 tax ratios.

D-1(b) Consent Agenda Discussion – Proposed Amendment to the Procedure By-Law

The Clerk provided Council with information including the process surrounding consent agendas. Following discussion, Council agreed to leave the current process for adopting minutes, etc., unchanged.

D-1(c) Breakdown of Professional Fees

Council discussed a memo provided by the Director of Corporate Services including a breakdown of the 2019 legal and professional fees incurred by the municipality;

D-1(d) By-Law Enforcement Revenues & Expenses

The Director of Corporate Services provided Council with a breakdown of the revenues and expenses of the By-Law Enforcement Department.

D-1(e) Request for new High School Bursary Funds – Donation Policy

A request was considered from the Northern Secondary School and École secondaire publique Nipissing Ouest to provide separate bursaries to both the English and French secondary school graduating classes. Following discussion, Council agreed to the proposed additional amount and an amendment to the donation policy will be brought to the next meeting of Council for adoption.

“Lise Sénécal”

 Lise Sénécal,
 Chair

“Melanie Ducharme”

 Melanie Ducharme,
 Clerk

D-2) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

NIL

L) CLOSED SESSION / SESSION A HUIT-CLO

L-1 A resolution was passed to proceed into closed session.

No. 2020/154 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we proceed into the Closed Meeting as authorized in Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act*, to discuss the following:

- (B)** personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- (H)** a matter that relates to the consideration of a request under the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, if the Council board, commission or other body is designated as head of the institution for the purposes of that *Act*;

CARRIED

L-2 A resolution was passed to adjourn the closed session.

No. 2020/155 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Malette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Closed meeting of Council held on June 2, 2020 be adjourned at **8:10** PM in order to proceed with the regular meeting.

CARRIED

D-3) EMERGENCY MEASURES AND PUBLIC SAFETY / MESURES D'URGENCE ET SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE

D-3(a) Request for reduction of Speed Limit on Evansville Road (Dan Roveda)

Council discussed a letter received from a resident and information provided by Councillor Roveda concerning speed limit concerns on Evansville Drive. Council agreed to a reduction in the speed limit from 50km/hr to 40km/hr and an amendment to the Traffic and Parking By-Law will be brought to the next meeting of Council for adoption

D-3(b) Proposed Nuisance By-Law – Cannabis Odour (Lise Sénécal)

Council commenced a discussion of the matter of enacting a by-law to address concerns about odours relating to the consumption and cultivation of cannabis in the Municipality of West Nipissing. .

CALL FOR BREAK:

At approx. 8:45 PM, the Chair called a break due audio technical difficulties. Council resumed the meeting at 9:00 PM

Following the break, the Chair asked if Council agreed to proceeding immediately to deal with the Correspondence and Accounts and New Business portions of the Agenda and potentially returning to the discussion of the proposed nuisance by-law at a later time. Council agreed to move to the Correspondence and Accounts and New Business portion of the meeting.

“Chris Fisher”

Christopher Fisher,
Chair

“Melanie Ducharme”

Melanie Ducharme,
Clerk

D-4) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE

NIL

D-5) SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH / SERVICES SOCIAUX ET SANTÉ

NIL

D-6) COMMUNITY SERVICES / SERVICES COMMUNAUTAIRES

D-6(a) CANO funding agreement (Chris Fisher)

This item was moved to June 16th Agenda.

“Jeremy Séguin”

Jeremy Séguin,
Chair

“Stephan Poulin”

Stephan Poulin,
Director of Economic Development and
Community Services

D-7) SEWER AND WATER / LES ÉGOUTS ET L'EAU

NIL

D-8) ENVIRONMENTAL / L'ENVIRONNEMENT

NIL

REGULAR COUNCIL / SÉANCE RÉGULIÈRE

E) PLANNING / PLANIFICATION

NIL

F) CORRESPONDENCE AND ACCOUNTS / COMPTES ET COURRIER

F-1 A resolution was passed to receive the disbursement sheets.

No. 2020/143 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the account payables disbursement sheets for FEBRUARY and MARCH 2020 be received, as presented.

CARRIED

G) UNFINISHED BUSINESS / AFFAIRES EN MARCHE NIL

H) NOTICE OF MOTION / AVIS DE MOTIONS

I) NEW BUSINESS / AFFAIRES NOUVELLES

I-1 A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law **2020/30** to set the Tax Ratios for 2020

No. 2020/144 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/30** to set tax ratios for the Municipality of West Nipissing for the year 2019; shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

I-2 A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law **2020/31** to set the Solid Waste Rates for 2020

No. 2020/145 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/31**, being a by-law to set the Solid Waste Management Rates in the Municipality of West Nipissing for the year 2020, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

I-3 A resolution was passed to authorize By-Law **2020/32** to set the Sewer & Water Rates for 2020

No. 2020/146 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law **2020/32**, being a by-law to set the Water and Wastewater Rates in the Municipality of West Nipissing for the year 2020, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

I-4 A resolution was passed to authorize the signing of an agreement with Mme Arcand.

No. 2020/147 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
 Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be authorized to sign a Mutual Agreement Drain under Sections 2 and 65 of the *Drainage Act* with Anna Rose Arcand.

CARRIED

I-5 A resolution was passed to authorize the payment of Council legal fees.

No. 2020/148 Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
 Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

WHEREAS Council has sought legal advice pertaining to a municipal Human Resources Investigation matter;

AND WHEREAS there will be ongoing legal expenditures with respect to a Human Resources Investigation matter;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Council hereby authorizes the Head of Council to authorize and approve an invoice in the amount of \$ 1,374.08, payable to Weaver Simmons LLP, for the period ending March 20, 2020, relating to a Human Resources Investigation matter.

CARRIED

I-6 A resolution was passed to add a new organization to the Community Safety and Well Being Committee.

No. 2020/149 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

WHEREAS the Community Safety and Well Being Committee (CSWB) was established to develop a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for the Municipality of West Nipissing;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the **ALLIANCE CENTRE** and **HORIZON WOMEN'S CENTRE** be invited to participate in the Community Safety and Well-Being Committee .

CARRIED

I-7 A resolution was passed to declare certain equipment as surplus and authorize the disposition thereof.

No. 2020/150 Moved by: Councillor Larabie
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the equipment described herein be declared as surplus for the Municipality of West Nipissing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council hereby authorizes the disposal of the following surplus equipment:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

(1)	1996	Spartan Fire Truck	4S7DT9K04TC020179
(2)	1998	American Lafrance Eagle Fire Truck	4236EMDB9WR975376

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

(3)	2004	Ford Pickup Truck	1FTVX14514NA52064
(4)	1989	Ford Cube Van	2GDJG31KXM4506170
(5)	2003	Sterling Plow Truck	2FZHAZAN23AL75835
(6)	2006	Sterling Tandem Axle Plow Truck	2FZHATDAX6AU67897
(7)	1995	Steamer	
(8)		Boat Trailer	TAGGED AS: FILE - 174779025

CARRIED

I-8 A resolution was passed to award the tenders for the brushing and ditching projects.

No. 2020/151 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

WHEREAS quotations for the 2020 Brushing and Ditching Projects for municipal roads were opened publicly on May 14, 2020 by the Director of Corporate Services and Manager of Public Works;

AND WHEREAS multiple quotations that met all specifications were received;

AND WHEREAS the Manager of Public Works has reviewed the quotations and is satisfied that the award being recommended herein consists of the best prices received;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the quotations for the 2020 Brushing and Ditching Projects for municipal roads in the Municipality be awarded as follows, having submitted the lowest quotation meeting all the specifications for these projects:

AWARDED TO:	ROAD	TOTAL COST PER ROAD
CANOR	LAFRENIERE ROAD	\$72,591.00
CANOR	NORTH SOUTH ROAD	\$77,942.00
DEEP CONSTRUCTION	CRYSTAL FALLS ROAD	\$72,560.00

CARRIED

I-9 A resolution was passed to authorize the purchase of Asphalt Zipper Equipment.

No. 2020/152 Moved by: Councillor Larabie
Seconded by: Councillor Duhaime

WHEREAS an estimate was received from Triple S Industries being the sole source provider for said Asphalt Zipper Equipment;

AND WHEREAS the estimate has been reviewed and the award being recommended herein consists of the best price meeting all of the specifications;

AND WHEREAS Council concurs with the recommendation received;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the estimate for the supply of an Asphalt Zipper Equipment be awarded to **TRIPLE S INDUSTRIES**, having submitted an estimate of \$253,860.00, plus H.S.T., meeting all the specifications.

CARRIED

I-10 A resolution was passed to proclaim the month of June as Gay Pride Month.

No. 2020/153 Moved by: Councillor Duhaime
Seconded by: Councillor Larabie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of June 2020 as « **GAY PRIDE MONTH / MOIS DE LA FIERTÉ GAIE** » in the Municipality of West Nipissing.

CARRIED

I-11 MTO Letter – Funding re: Front St. / Champlain Bridge Rehabilitation

Correspondence from the Ministry of Transportation was shared with Council advising that funding has been approved to complete the required studies for the repairs to the Champlain Bridge.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION:

At approx. 9:25 PM, the Chair inquired whether Council wished to adjourn the meeting or return to the unfinished **D(3)(b)** item. The majority of members supported finishing the discussion.

A motion was tabled to extend the meeting beyond the regular curfew time in order to hold discussions on item **D-3(b)**:

Moved by: Councillor L. Sénécal
Seconded by: Councillor Séguin

CARRIED

D-3(b) Proposed Nuisance By-Law – Cannabis Odour (continued)

Council continued its discussion of the proposed nuisance by-law with Councillor Séguin providing information about the enactment of such a by-law in another municipality. Council discussed the matter at length following which the Chair requesting a round table regarding support for or against the enacting of such a by-law. The majority of members did not support the enacting of a nuisance by-law for cannabis odours.

J) ADDENDUM / ADDENDA

K) INFORMATION & QUESTIONS / INFORMATION ET QUESTIONS

K-1 The Mayor gave her report.

M) ADJOURNMENT / AJOURNEMENT

M-1 A resolution was passed to adopt By-law **2020/36** confirming the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on June 2 2020.

No. 2020/156 Moved by: Councillor Roveda
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. **2020/36** being a By-law of the Municipality of West Nipissing to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 2nd day of June 2020, shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

CARRIED

M-2 A resolution was passed to adjourn the meeting of Council.

No. 2020/157 Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Roveda

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council held on June 2, 2020 be adjourned.

CARRIED

"Joanne Savage"
JOANNE SAVAGE
MAYOR

"Melanie Ducharme"
MELANIE DUCHARME
CLERK