



MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING of COUNCIL
Held at 6 pm **Thursday July 13, 2023**
In the Municipal Hall

Called to Order at 6:04 pm

Land Acknowledgement was read by Mayor Peter Murphy

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Murphy
Councillor Don Lemaire
Councillor Beverly Bell
Councillor Michelle Lahaye (arrived at 6:12 pm)
Councillor Clwyd Edwards

Also Present: Clerk Treasurer JoAnne Montreuil

Absent: Road Supervisor Phil Bangs

Public in Attendance: Denis Janveaux, Paul Goodridge and Barry McConomy

Delegation: Denis Janveaux, Paul Goodridge, Beverly Bell, Barry McConomy

No Disclosure of Pecuniary interest or the general nature thereof was declared.

Resolution No. 2023-081 **Agenda**

Motioned by Councillor Lemaire
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council being held July 13, 2023 is accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-082 **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Edwards
Seconded by Councillor Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on June 8, 2023 and the Special Meetings of Council held on June 19, 2023 are accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-083 **Survey of Property on Moosehead Road**

Moved by Councillor Lahaye
Seconded by Councillor Bell

BE IT RESOLVED that Council directs Paul Goodridge of Goodridge, Goulet Planning & Surveying Ltd., to proceed in surveying Denis Janveaux's property on Moosehead Road, prepare severance of 6 lots, survey Moosehead Road and prepare transfer of Denis Janveaux's interest on Moosehead Road to the municipality at the municipality's cost.

CARRIED



Resolution No. 2023-084

Intimate Partner Violence

Moved by Councillor Edwards

Seconded by Councillor Lemaire

Whereas the jury that adjudicated the Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk and Nathalie Warmerdam Inquest (The Renfrew Inquest) issued 86 recommendations to the Province of Ontario on Intimate Partner Violence; and

Whereas recommendation #1 of the Inquest is for the Province of Ontario to declare Intimate Partner Violence an epidemic; and

Whereas, every six days in Canada a woman is killed by her intimate partner; and

Whereas, on any given night in Canada, over 6,000 women and children sleep in shelters because it is not safe for them at home; and

Whereas each year, over 40,000 arrests result from domestic violence, accounting for about 12% of all violent crime in Canada; and

Whereas over one in three women in Canada aged 15 years and older will experience IPV in their lifetime; and

Whereas the cost of violence against women costs the national justice system, social assistance budgets, and municipal budgets millions of dollars per year; and

Whereas IPV is preventable; and

Whereas at a municipal level, IPV contributes to an unsafe community, an increase in homelessness, decreased police and ambulance capacity, additional needs for social housing, and added pressures on the healthcare system and social services; and

Whereas in 2022, Victim Services of Nipissing District received 475 calls for service for IPV and supported 400 female IPV victims as well as 39 children, who were harmed or witnesses of IPV; and

Whereas in 2022, Children's Aid Society had 146 investigations open for a child's exposure to domestic violence, which accounts for 13.1% of their total call volume for the year; and

Whereas 400 survivors of intimate partner violence accessed supports offered by the Community Counselling Centre of Nipissing in 2022; and

Whereas the Mattawa Women's Resource Centre had 34 new referrals for women in need of counselling and VAW services in 2022; and

Whereas in 2022, 201 or 31% of admissions to the North Bay Jail had an active domestic violence alert, and 7.8% had an active sex offence charge;

Therefore, be it resolved that Mattawan Council

- recognizes the issues of violence against women and girls in Mattawan as serious to the health and wellness of local families; and
- is committed to engaging with community partners to educate and support our residents about the seriousness and long-term danger of violence in our community; and
- declares, in accordance with Recommendation #1 of the Renfrew Inquest, that Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women are an epidemic; and



Be it further resolved that the municipality integrate IPV into its community safety and well-being plan, which aligns with recommendation #10 of the Renfrew County jury recommendations; and

Be it further resolved that this resolution be circulated to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Charmaine A. Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity, The Honourable Parm Gill Minister of Red Tape Reduction, and Vic Fedeli, MPP; and

Be it further resolved that this resolution be circulated to the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit Board of Health, Mattawa Ontario Provincial Police Detachment, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-085 Fowler Construction Tender for Winter Sand 2023-2024

Moved by Councillor Lemaire
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

BE IT RESOLVED that the municipality accept the tender price of \$35.37 per tonne for the 2023 – 2024 winter season from Fowler Construction.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-086 Support of the FONOM resolution to address Ontario's Housing Challenges

Motioned by Councillor Lemaire
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

WHEREAS the Federal and Provincial Governments need to support their most vulnerable households, the ones who are or are at risk of becoming homeless. Overall, housing and services for low-income, vulnerable, or marginalized people should be a primary consideration moving forward so we help those who need it the most.

WHEREAS the **Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan** understands every community across Ontario is impacted by a need for affordable housing and support for people at risk of homelessness. Municipal governments are working in collaboration with all orders of government to invest in permanent solutions to the housing and homelessness crisis in Ontario.

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan understands that the Federal **National Housing Strategy** allocation formula to provinces and territories for jointly funded housing initiatives, roughly follows their share of the national population. This approach leaves Ontario underfunded because, as per the 2021 Census figures, the number of Ontario households in **Community Housing Network** as a share of the national total is 44.1 percent, which is well above the provincial share of the national population at 38.5 percent. This is also by far the highest share of national **Community Housing Network** relative to every other province and territories.

WHEREAS receiving a by-population allocation from the federal government hampers Ontario's ability to reach more of those households in need that require assistance with housing.

WHEREAS the lack of ongoing federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives leads to significant underfunding for subsidized housing projects and can undermine the physical and financial viability of the community housing stock.



WHEREAS a similar situation occurs with federal homelessness funding to Ontario through **Reaching Home**, where the share allocated to Ontario is also below the provincial share of **Community Housing Network** nationally.

WHEREAS there is an inequitable distribution of **Reaching Home** funding in Ontario as only 25 of 47 Service Managers have designated communities receiving funding under the program, despite the prevalence of need across the entire Province.

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan understand the federal government takes the position that its role is to provide capital funding while Provinces and Territories are to fund operating expenses, but this approach does not create an equitable sharing of the burden of funding long-term operating costs, which continue for the life of a project.

WHEREAS taken altogether, the underfunding to Ontario for housing and homelessness relative to its share of national **Canadian Housing Network** amounts to approximately \$480 million over the term of the Federal **National Housing Strategy**.

WHEREAS the federal government previously provided leadership in ensuring the long-term financial and physical viability of the social housing stock under the **Social Housing Agreement** for several decades through federal social housing operating agreements that provided funding for both mortgages and operating costs.

WHEREAS without some flexibility on the part of the federal government, Ontario and its municipalities will be poorly positioned to take advantage of this funding, and this will turn into a significant missed opportunity, leading to a further deterioration in the long-term physical and financial sustainability of the community housing stock.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan also supports the provincial ask for federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan would appreciate the federal effort to repurpose this funding quickly from the main **National Housing Co-Investment Fund** program line, Service Managers across the province have indicated their challenges with meeting the terms of the federal proposal, particularly as they relate to cost matching and meeting the requirements for greenhouse gas emissions, energy efficiency and accessibility.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan would like need-driven indicators incorporated into the funding allocation formulas for all federal programs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan appreciates the federal government's commitment to end chronic homelessness and wishes this to be inclusive across all areas of our province by expanding Reaching Home funding to all Service Managers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan also supports the provincial position in relation to the provinces and territories **Repair Fund** under the **National Housing Co-Investment Fund**.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan supports the Province of Ontario position on the application-based \$4 billion federal **Housing Accelerator Fund**. We wish to emphasize the importance of providing municipalities with maximum support



in preparing applications to the HAF, understanding that some rural and northern municipalities may face capacity challenges in applying to this program on the anticipated tight timelines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan wish to request that **Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation** consider actions taken by municipalities under the province's **Housing Supply Action Plans** into account when assessing municipal applications, recognizing that these initiatives have the potential to significantly increase the supply of housing in our communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan believes the lack of ongoing federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives leads to significant underfunding for subsidized housing projects and can undermine the physical and financial viability of the community housing stock.

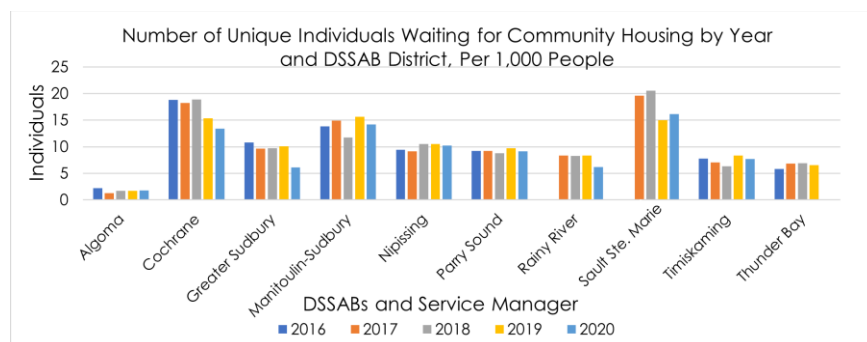
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan believe the federal government should heed the precedent of the **Social Housing Agreement** and recommit itself to funding operating costs that often stretch out over decades for the lifetime of a housing project. As an example, the **Rapid Housing Initiative's** 20-year affordability requirement and lack of federal operating dollars will very likely result in housing providers asking Service Managers and the provincial government to fund operating expenses to ensure the long-term affordability of units given housing providers' limited revenue-raising capacity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this lack of ongoing federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives leads to significant underfunding for subsidized housing projects and can undermine the physical and financial viability of the community housing stock.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan urges the Federal Government provide additional funding for Ontario so that we can deal with our shortages of safe and affordable housing and at the same time build safer and healthier communities for all our residents.

FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED THAT a copy of the Resolution be forward to the individuals listed below for consideration and support, Prime Minister Trudeau, Minister Ahmed Hussen, Northern MPs, Premier Ford, Minister Clark, Northern MPPs, Members of Provincial Legislation, Leaders of the Federal and Provincial Opposition Parties, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

¹ More than Just a Number: Addressing the Homelessness, Addiction, and Mental Health Crisis in the North – page 15 - August 2022



Source: Author's calculations from direct outreach to DSSABs and the City of Greater Sudbury, and Statistics Canada Census Division Population Projections for the corresponding years.

CARRIED



Resolution No. 2023-087

Baker and Associates Invoice 1203 \$1,483.69

Moved by Councillor Bell

Seconded by Councillor Lahaye

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the estimates provided by Baker and Associates for the cost of upcoming software licensing for the following systems – Accounts Payable, General Ledger/Budget, Municipal Manager for full access at a cost of \$1,313.00 plus HST for a 6-month period beginning July 1, 2023. The hourly rate of service will be \$180.00 per hour plus HST and all calls will be billed at a one hour minimum. Council also approves the payment of invoice 1203 in the amount of \$1,483.69 for the 6-month period.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-088

Consent Items

Moved by Councillor Lahaye

Seconded by Councillor Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that the following correspondence/reports are marked received and filed in the Municipal Office.

CONSENT ITEMS		
June 16	Janet Glabb-Petrant, Administrative Assistant, Community Living Mattawa	2022-2023 Annual General Meeting Report
June 20	Finance Team, North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (NBPSDHU)	NBPSDHU 2022 Municipal FIR, 2022 Audited Financial Statements, Schedule 77 - Mattawan
June 23	Marianne Zadra, Communications & Executive Coordinator, District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB)	DNSSAB Meeting package for June 28, 2023
June 26	Nelly Bothelo, Executive Assistant, Office of the Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer, North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (NBPSDHU)	NBPSDHU agendas for the June 28, 2023 meetings
July 6	Nelly Bothelo, Executive Assistant, Office of the Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer, North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (NBPSDHU)	NBPSDHU Finance and Property Committee April 26, 2023 minutes, Personnel Policy, Labour/Employee Relations Committee April 26, 2023 Minutes, and the April 26, 2023 Board of Health minutes

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-089

Extend the Council Meeting

Motioned by Councillor Lahaye

Seconded by Councillor Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Meeting of Council, July 13, 2023, be extended by 1 (one) hour to 10 pm.

CARRIED



Resolution No. 2023-090

Cheque Registers 10692 - 10752

Moved by Councillor Bell

Seconded by Councillor Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that cheque registers for 10692 - 10752 are approved as paid in June 2023 totalling \$65,195.44.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2023-091

Clerk Treasurer to apply for the Municipal Administration

Moved by Councillor Edwards

Program (MAP) Unit 2

Seconded by Councillor Bell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk Treasurer apply for the Municipal Administrative Program (MAP) Unit 2, Municipal Administrative Structure at a cost of \$385.00 + HST. If she has to work on this course after her regular working hours, those hours will be paid for at her regular pay rate.

CARRIED

By-Law 2023-008 - Being a By-Law to set tax ratios for municipal purposes for the year 2023. Read a first, second and third time enacted and finally passed before an open Council this 13th day of July 2023.

By-Law 2023-009 – Being a By-Law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2023. Read a first, second and third time enacted and finally passed before an open Council this 13th day of July 2023.

By-Law 2023-010 – Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan for the period from January 8th, 2023 to June 19th, 2023. Read a first, second and third time enacted and finally passed before an open Council this 13th day of July 2023.

Resolution No. 2023-092

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Edwards

Seconded by Councillor Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that this regular meeting of Council held July 13, 2023 is adjourned.
Time: 9:40 pm.

CARRIED

The next Regular Council Meeting will be August 10, 2023 at 7 pm.

Mayor Peter Murphy

Clerk Treasurer, JoAnne Montreuil
Approved by Resolution No. 2024-