

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

HELD ON FEBRUARY 19, 2007

AT THE MATACHEWAN COMMUNITY RECREATION HALL

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**Council Present:** Reeve Beverly Hine,  
Councillors Joe Bisson, Andrew George, Albert Durand and Carrie Ann Gilbert

**Staff Present:** Andrew Van Oosten, CAO-Clerk-Treasurer

**Members of the Public:** Robert Calhoun – Discover Abitibi, Raymond LeClerc – Orbit Drilling, Janet Genovy, Jamie Frank, Missy Larkman, Nicole Secord, Marty Taman, Lynn Whitfield & George Morris

Councillors Andrew George (Discussion Point #2) and Albert Durand (Discussion Point #3) both declared a pecuniary interest in items to be discussed.

**Motions:**

07-23 Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan is hereby called to order at 6:20 PM. Carried

07-24 Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the agenda as presented. Carried

07-25 Moved by: Albert Durand  
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the Minutes of January 15, 2007 as presented. Carried

07-26 Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the Minutes of February 5, 2007 as presented. Carried

07-27 Moved by: Joe Bisson  
Seconded by: Andrew George

Be it resolved that the Township of Matachewan is hereby in support of the Discover Abitibi project and that a letter of support be drafted as such. Carried

07-28 Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

Be it resolved that Council hereby appoints Lehanne Parrott, Lynn Whitfield, Jamie Frank and Leon Genovy to the Get Fit Committee. Carried

07-29 Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby grants Reeve Beverley Hine a leave of absence from attending Council Meetings for an indefinite period of time due to illness, as per

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07-30

Moved by: Carrie Gilbert  
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby approves the pay vouchers for January, numbered 3571 to 3607 in the amount of \$28 257.77 as circulated.

Carried

07-31

Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that by-law 2007-05, being a by-law amending by-law 2005-19 to restrict water works activities from October to April and updating costs as per by-law 2006-21, is hereby read for the first and second time this 19th day of February 2007.

Carried

07-32

Moved by: Carrie Gilbert  
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that by-law 2007-05, being a by-law amending by-law 2005-19 to restrict water works activities from October to April and updating costs as per by-law 2006-21, is hereby read for the third and final time this 19th day of February 2007. Signed, sealed and numbered 2007-05.

Carried

07-33

Moved by: Joe Bisson  
Seconded by: Andrew George

Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby moves into an in-camera discussion.

Carried

07-34

Moved by: Andrew George  
Seconded by: Joe Bisson

Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby moves out of the in-camera discussion.

Carried

07-35

Moved by: Joe Bisson  
Seconded by: Andrew George

That the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:10 PM and that the next regular meeting be held on March 19, 2007 or at the call of the Reeve.

Carried

**Discussions:**

1. Robert Calhoun of Discover Abitibi made a presentation to Council and requested a letter of support as well as financial support for the exploration initiative. Council passed a motion agreeing in principle with the project.
2. Raymond LeClerc answered some of Council's questions re: Orbit Drilling's intention to put a bunkhouse in the community for their workers. Council stressed the importance of working together to resolve any issues. All such activity must be sanctioned by the municipality, the respective Ministry, the Planner and the Building Inspector.
3. Council had no objections to Albert Durand's purchase of Crown Land Lots 120 to 123 on Davidson Avenue from the MNR and directed the Clerk to indicate such by way of a letter to Ray Hong.