

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

HELD ON AUGUST 20, 2007

AT THE MATACHEWAN COMMUNITY RECREATION HALL

Councillors Present: Deputy Reeve Joe Bisson, Andrew George, Carrie Gilbert, and Albert Durand

Staff Present: Andrew Van Oosten, CAO-Clerk-Treasurer and April George, Administrative Assistant.

Members of the Public: Jeannette Redner, Gemma Gilbert, Steven Stanwick, Wendy Stanwick, Ron Baker, Grace Larkman, Marilyn Stickel, Don Stickel, Elenore Hendrix, Anne Commando-Dube, Marty Taman, Janet Genovy, Jamie Frank, Raymond Letellier, Jim Jones, Suzanne Castonguay, Richard Roy, Constable Wayne Rancourt, O.P.P., and Constable Brian Morris, O.P.P.

Motions:

07-119 Moved by: Carrie Gilbert
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that the regular Council meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan is hereby called to order at 6:17 PM.

Carried

Councillor Durand declared a pecuniary interest as he has submitted a tender to purchase land.

07-120 Moved by: Carrie Gilbert
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Matachewan hereby adopts the agenda as presented.

Carried

07-121 Moved by: Andrew George
Seconded by: Albert Durand

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan hereby adopts the Minutes of July 16, 2007 as amended.

Carried

Delegations:

1. Lorraine Miller
- Lorraine not present - See motion 07-122.

2. Raymond Letellier
-(a) Raymond would like a copy of the minutes from the July 2006 regular council meeting. The original notes. He wants to know what notes were taken because Raymond had taped them and he is currently taping this meeting tonight.

-(b) Purchase of Rockcliff Drive. North point is 65% under flood plain. Just interested in the portion in front, not Caron's or others. Says it will save \$, no cost to put water services in etc. Councillor Bisson - asks for drawings/site plan based on a town map. Have portions highlighted and previous correspondence so that we can review.

07-129

Moved by: Carrie Gilbert
Seconded by: Andrew George

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

Carried

07-130

Moved by: Andrew George
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

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

Carried

07-131

Moved by: Andrew George
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

That the Council hereby agrees to enter into an agreement with Plantario for the development of an Official Plan.

Carried

07-132

Moved by: Andrew George
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

That the Clerk is directed to purchase the surveillance system from the Source for \$499.99 and have it and a recording device installed ASAP.

Carried

07-133

Moved by: Andrew George
Seconded by: Carrie Gilbert

That the Council hereby directs the Clerk to prepare letters regarding the sale of Crown land for John Monette and Albert Durand subject to proof of purchase of the adjacent land.

Carried

07-134

Moved by: Albert Durand
Seconded by: Andrew George

That the regular meeting be adjourned at 9:05 p.m. and that the next regular meeting be held on September 17, 2007 or at the call of the Reeve.

Carried

Discussions:

1. Council decided to re-tender the surplus equipment.
2. A discussion was held regarding Consent Granting Authority. Andrew Van Oosten and Joe Bisson explained. Suzanne Castonguay commented – “Anything goes in Matachewan”. Annabelle Commando-Dubé asked – “Have we looked into a new planner? I can give you names.”
3. A discussion was held regarding the Curling Club by various Councillors. A project update was given.
4. Discussions were held regarding Françoise Gauthier’s delegation request. Councillor Bisson – “We have had numerous complaints re: ATV’s. It is a privilege to be able to drive from home to the bush, the by-law was not intended for the purpose of allowing ATV’s to drive all over town, that is abusing the privilege. This is the final warning, if the abuse, speeding and reckless driving doesn’t cease, the By-law will be rescinded. The law must be respected, probably only 5% or less are abusing the privilege but they could ruin it for everyone.
5. A discussion was held regarding the Saulnier Rezoning. Council responded regarding the public Zoning meeting that was held and explained that Mr. Saulnier had paid to upgrade that portion of Amabilis out of his own pocket with no funds coming from the municipality. Suzanne Castonguay commented – “We give good service to drug dealers in town”. Councillor Bisson gave her a final warning that she will be removed. Councillor Bisson went on to explain that the street was being brought up to MTO standards and that several plans and approvals had been submitted to the municipality. Suzanne Castonguay commented – “ You have one sitting right beside you now. Have another joint. I’ve told you before I’m going to get you. There’s too much bullshit... selling gall bladders...” Councillor Bisson asked Suzanne to leave. The O.P.P. escorted her out of the building.

6. Mr. Steven Stanwick – Wants to know when his property will be fixed. Councillor Bisson – “it will be dealt with as soon as possible”. Mr. Stanwick, You know and the big fat guy over there knows about the problem.”
7. Annabelle Commando-Dubé – Claimed that the in camera discussions are not always in the minutes.