

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN**

BY – LAW 2017-13

BEING a by-law to change the name of the title of the head of council from "Reeve" to "Mayor" and the title of "Deputy Reeve" to "Deputy Mayor" ;

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2011, Section 220*, as amended, authorizes a municipality to change the titles for its head of council and other members of its council. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 95. ;

AND WHEREAS historically a Reeve was the head of Council in small rural municipalities which had different responsibilities than larger municipalities where the head of Council is called a mayor;

AND WHEREAS historically in the absence of the Reeve, a Deputy Reeve fulfilled the duties of the head of Council in small rural municipalities;

AND WHEREAS these distinctions no longer exist as small rural municipalities are responsible for many of the same legislated responsibilities as large municipalities;

AND WHEREAS the trend across Ontario is to change the title from Reeve to Mayor and Deputy Reeve to Deputy Mayor to simplify communications with upper tiers, larger centers and ministry representatives;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the title of the head of council be changed from "Reeve" to "Mayor" and the title of Deputy Reeve be changed to "Deputy Mayor" to more accurately reflect current understanding by members of the community, provincial representatives and the public in general;
2. **THAT** this by-law shall come into force and take effect from and upon the final passing thereof.

READ a first and second and third time, and finally enacted and passed in open Council this 26th day of June, 2017. Signed, sealed and numbered 2017-13.


Reeve


CAO-Clerk-Treasurer