## Powassan

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 6:30 pm Powassan Council Chambers

Present:

Peter McIsaac, Mayor

Markus Wand, Deputy Mayor Dave Britton, Councillor Randy Hall, Councillor Leo Patey, Councillor

Staff:

Brayden Robinson, Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services

Allison Quinn, Clerk

Absent,

With Regrets:

Presentations:

Madeleine Smith, Senior Project Engineer, Tatham Engineering -

Trout Creek Community Centre Detailed Structural Investigation Final

Report

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof: None.

2025-51

Moved by: L. Patey

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of February 18, 2025, be approved. Carried

2025-52

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council of February 4, 2025, be adopted. Carried

2025-53

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: L. Patey

That the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board CAO's Report of February 2025, be received.

Carried

2025-54

Moved by: L. Patey

Seconded by: M. Wand

That the memo from Manager of Operations and Facilities, F. Schmeltz, regarding the January Public Works Update, be received.

Carried

2025-55

Moved by: M. Wand

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the memo from Deputy Clerk, K. Bester, regarding Seniors Active Living Centres
Programming, be received, for information purposes.

Carried

2025-56

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding 250 Clark Rental Space, be received; and,

**FURTHER** that staff be directed to execute the plan for space reallocation as outlined; and that staff be authorized to negotiate and execute new lease agreements with all affected lessees. **Carried** 

2025-57

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: L. Patey

That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding the
2024 Q4 Budget Variance Report be received, for information purposes.

Carried

2025-58

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: M. Wand
That Bylaw 2025-03, being a Bylaw to amend Bylaw 2003-38, as amended, the Zoning
Bylaw for the Municipality of Powassan with respect to lands described as PT LT 25 RCP
320 PT 1 42R4645, EXCEPT PT 14 to 16 42R12151; S/T R027765, (Civic Address 44
Purdon Line), in the Municipality of Powassan;

Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 and to be READ a THIRD and FINAL time and considered passed as such in open Council on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

Carried

2025-59

Moved by: M. Wand Seconded by: D. Britton

WHEREAS the current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life;

WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year;

WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;

WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;

WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;

WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity;

WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need;

WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Municipality of Powassan asks that the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Finance; and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Hall

Councillor Hall Yea
Councillor Wand Yea
Councillor Britton Yea
Councillor Patey Yea
Mayor McIsaac Yea

Carried

2025-60

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: R. Hall

That the contract renewal from Knight Piesold for Powassan Landfill Annual Monitoring and Reporting, be received; and,

**FURTHER** that staff be directed to execute the renewal.

Carried

2025-61

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: L. Patey

That the correspondence dated January 22, 2025, regarding Rail Safety Week 2024, from CN Rail, be received.

Carried

2025-62

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: M. Wand

That Council now adjourns at 7:28 p.m.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk