Powassan

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

Present:

Peter McIsaac, Mayor

Markus Wand, Deputy Mayor

Randy Hall, Councillor Dave Britton, Councillor

Staff:

Brayden Robinson, Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services

Allison Quinn, Clerk

Absent.

With Regrets:

Leo Patey, Councillor

Presentations:

6.1 - Colin Byham, Trout Creek Community Centre Fundraising

Committee

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof: None.

2025-136

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of May 6, 2025, be approved with the

following correction:

Item 12.3 be moved to Item 9.3.

Carried

2025-137

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council of April 15, 2025, be adopted. Carried

2025-138

Moved by: M. Wand

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the minutes from the Golden Sunshine Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation

committee meeting of March 18, 2025, be received.

Carried

2025-139

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board CAO's Report of

March/April 2025, be received.

Carried

2025-140

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: M. Wand

That the Powassan and District Union Public Library Board's 2025 Budget be

adopted.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Britton

Councillor Britton:

Yea

Councillor Hall:

Yea

Councillor Wand:

Yea

Mayor McIsaac:

Yea

Carried

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: M. Wand 2025-141 That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding the 2025 Draft Municipal Budget, be received; and, FURTHER THAT the 2025 Municipal and Water and Sewer budgets be approved. Carried Moved by: M. Wand Seconded by: R. Hall 2025-142 That the mandatory 2025 Budget Report on Ontario Regulation 284/09 be adopted. Carried Seconded by: D. Britton Moved by: R. Hall 2025-143 That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding the Trout Creek Playground Upgrades, be received for information purposes. Carried Seconded by: R. Hall Moved by: D. Britton 2025-144 That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding the Tandem Plow Purchase, be received; and, FURTHER that Council commit to executing the biennial fleet replacement plan as outline; and. FURTHER that staff be authorized to issue an RFP for a tandem plow in 2025, for Carried delivery in 2026. Seconded by: M. Wand 2025-145 Moved by: D. Britton That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding the RFP for the Trout Creek Community Centre be received; and, FURTHER that Council authorize staff to issue an RFP for the design and costing of the Carried TCCC remediation work. Moved by: M. Wand Seconded by: R. Hall 2025-146 That Bylaw 2025-08, being a Bylaw to set tax ratios for municipal; purposes for the year 2025, Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 6th day of May 2025 and considered READ a THIRD and FINAL time and adopted as such in open Council the 20th day of Carried May 2025. Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton 2025-147 That Bylaw 2025-09, being a Bylaw to adopt the 2025 Municipal Budget, Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 6th day of May 2025 and considered READ a THIRD and FINAL time and adopted as such in open Council the 20th day of

May 2025.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Britton

Councillor Britton: Yea
Councillor Hall: Yea
Councillor Wand: Yea

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Mayor McIsaac: Yea Carried

2025-148

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That Bylaw 2025-10, being a Bylaw to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2025,

Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 6th day of May 2025 and considered READ a **THIRD** and **FINAL** time and adopted as such in open Council the 20th day of Carried May 2025.

2025-149

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: M. Wand

That Bylaw 2025-11, being a Bylaw to adopt the Water and Wastewater Budgets for 2025,

Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 6th day of May 2025 and considered READ a THIRD and FINAL time and adopted as such in open Council the 20th day of May 2025.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Wand

Councillor Wand:

Yea

Councillor Hall:

Yea Yea

Councillor Britton:

Mayor McIsaac:

Yea

Carried

2025-150

Moved by: M. Wand

Seconded by: R. Hall

That Bylaw 2025-12, being a Bylaw to adopt the Water and Wastewater Rate and Fee Schedule for 2025,

Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 6th day of May 2025 and considered READ a THIRD and FINAL time and adopted as such in open Council the 20th day of May 2025.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Britton

Councillor Britton:

Yea

Councillor Hall:

Yea

Councillor Wand:

Yea

Mayor McIsaac:

Yea

Carried

2025-151

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That Bylaw 2025-13, being a Bylaw to Establish and Regulate a Fire Department for the Municipality of Powassan,

Be READ a FIRST and SECOND time on the 6th day of May 2025 and considered READ a THIRD and FINAL time and adopted as such in open Council the 20th day of May 2025. Carried

2025-152

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: M. Wand That the correspondence from the Ministry of Sport regarding the Summer Employment

Opportunities Program 2025, be received.

Carried

2025-153

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: M. Wand

That the correspondence from the Ministry of Canadian Culture, regarding Celebrate Canada Funding 2025, be received. Carried 2025-154

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That the notice of the Statutory Public Meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, for the proposed new Official Plan, be received.

Carried

2025-155

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: R. Hall
That the correspondence from the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks,
regarding the Provincial Day of Action on Litter, May 13, 2025, be received. Carried

2025-156

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: M. Wand That the correspondence regarding Moose Hide Campaign Day on Thursday, May 15, be received; and,

WHEREAS, the Moose Hide Campaign is an Indigenous-led, grassroots movement of men, boys and all Canadians standing up to end violence against women, children and all those along the gender continuum and;

WHEREAS, the Moose Hide Campaign was founded along the 'Highway of Tears' in British Columbia in response to the injustices and violence faced by many women and children in Canada, particularly those who are Indigenous;

WHEREAS, Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) is at epidemic proportions across Canada with more than 4 in 10 women having experienced it in their lifetime, and this reality is worse for Indigenous women who are twice as likely to experience violence from their current or former partners;

WHEREAS, the Moose Hide Campaign has distributed over six million moose hide pins that each spark five conversations about issues of violence against women, children and all those along the gender continuum;

WHEREAS, wearing the moose hide pin demonstrates a commitment to honour, respect and protect the women and children in your life, end gender-based violence and take meaningful action towards reconciliation with Indigenous peoples;

WHEREAS, participation in the Moose Hide Campaign is a concrete action for all citizens to address the legacies of colonization, residential schools and the reality of more than 1,200 missing or murdered women in Canada;

WHEREAS, engagement with the Moose Hide Campaign aligns with the United Nations Declaration on the Right of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, and the Calls for Justice of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG2S+);

THEREFORE, the Council for the Municipality of Powassan proclaims May 15, 2025, as Moose Hide Campaign Day; and,

FURTHER that staff register for Moose Hide Campaign Day and promote the passage of this resolution on the Municipal website and Facebook page. **Carried**

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Moved by: M. Wand Seconded by: R. Hall

That the Council of the Municipality of Powassan supports the Town of Parry Sound in calling on the Province of Ontario to repeal the legislation expanding Strong Mayor Powers or offer the option to municipalities to opt out of Strong Mayor Powers; and,

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to circulate this resolution of support to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Victor Fedeli, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities. **Carried**

2025-158

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That Council now adjourns to closed session at 7:33pm to discuss:

17.1 Adoption of Closed Session Minutes of April 15, 2025

17.2 Labour Relations – Section 239(2)(d) of the Municipal Act and under Section 9(4)(d) of the Procedural Bylaw – matters regarding labour relations or employee negotiations.

17.3 Identifiable Individuals – Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act and under Section 9(4)(b) of the Procedural Bylaw – Matters regarding an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Carried

2025-159

Moved by: M. Wand Seconded by: R. Hall

That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 8:31pm.

Carried

2025-160

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

That council now adjourns at 8:31pm.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk