## The Municipality of

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 6:30 pm Powassan Council Chambers

Present:

Peter McIsaac, Mayor

Markus Wand, Deputy Mayor

Randy Hall, Councillor Dave Britton, Councillor Leo Patey, Councillor

Staff:

Brayden Robinson, Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services

Allison Quinn, Clerk

Presentations:

Debbie Piekarski - Requesting reconsideration of the Official Plan as it

pertains to land severance

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof: None.

2025-164

Seconded by: D. Britton Moved by: L. Patey

That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of May 20, 2025, be approved.

Carried

2025-165

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the minutes of the Special Budget Meeting of Council of April 14, 2025,

be adopted.

Carried

2025-166

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of May 6, 2025, be adopted, with the Carried

following correction: Resolution #2025-140 includes the recorded vote.

2025-167

Moved by: L. Patey

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the minutes of the Special Official Plan Meeting of Council of May 14, 2025, be

adopted.

Carried

2025-168

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the minutes from the Powassan and District Union Public Library meeting of March 17,

2025, be received.

Carried

2025-169

Moved by: L. Patey

Seconded by: M. Wand

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

2025, be received.

2025-170

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

That the minutes from the Powassan Nipissing Callander Police Detachment Board meeting

of March 24, 2025, be received.

Carried

2025-171

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

That the memo from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding Hummel Bridge Repair Update – Required Studies, be received for information purposes; and,

FURTHER that staff provide Council with a monthly update on the progress.

2025-172

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey

That Bylaw 2025-08, being a Bylaw to set tax ratios for municipal purposes for 2025,

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

Carried

2025-173

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

That Council rescinds the 28% increase to the Powassan Union Public Library budget and returns to the 7% increase in the 2025 Municipal Budget.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Hall
Councillor Hall
Nay

Councillor Wand Yea

Councillor Britton Nay

Councillor Patey Yea

Mayor McIsaac Nay **Defeated** 

2025-174

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

That Bylaw 2025-09, being a Bylaw to adopt the 2025 Municipal Budget,

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

Carried

2025-175

Moved by: M. Wand 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 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 and considered **READ** a **THIRD** and **FINAL** time and adopted as such in open Council the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

Carried

2025-176

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 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 and considered **READ** a **THIRD** and **FINAL** time and adopted as such in open Council the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Patey

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

Carried

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Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
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 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 and considered **READ** a **THIRD** and **FINAL** time and adopted as such in open Council the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Britton

Councillor Britton:

Yea

Councillor Hall:

Yea

Councillor Wand:

Yea

Councillor Britton:

Yea

Mayor McIsaac:

Yea

Carried

2025-178

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

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 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 and considered **READ** a **THIRD** and **FINAL** time and adopted as such in open Council the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

Carried

2025-179

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

That Bylaw 2025-14, being a Bylaw to regulate and govern animals including exotic animals within the Municipality;

Be **READ** a **FIRST** and **SECOND** time on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 and considered **READ** a **THIRD** and **FINAL** time and adopted as such in open Council the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2025.

2025-180

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

That the correspondence from the Office of the Fire Marshall, regarding the Fire Protection Grant additional funding, be received; and,

FURTHER that staff be directed to use the additional funding for the purchase of cancer prevention supplies as set out in the original funding requestion.

Carried

2025-181

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey

That the correspondence from Mark Bassam regarding the Bolton/Hart subdivision and proposal for 180 residential units, be received.

Carried

2025-182

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

That the correspondence from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the Protect Ontario by Building Faster and Smarter Act, 2025, be received. Carried

2025-183

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

WHEREAS the month of June is recognized as Pride Month, to commemorate the Stonewall Riots which occurred at the end of June 1969 in New York; and,

WHEREAS during Pride Month, the world's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Intersex, Queer, Questioning, Two Spirit communities (LGBTQ2St) and Allies come together to celebrate diversity

and protest for the freedom to be themselves: to overcome prejudice, for inclusive policies and laws: and for the right to be accepted for who they are; and,

WHEREAS although many strides have been made forward to educate peoples bias, there is still much work to be done in correcting adversity towards the LGBTQ2St communities; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan does hereby proclaim JUNE 2025 as Pride Month and encourages residents to commit to continuing awareness, inclusion, and acceptance for all members of our community regardless of gender identity, race, age, and beliefs.

Carried

2025-184

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey

June 2025 National Indigenous History Month

June 21, 2025 National Indigenous Peoples Day

WHEREAS, in 2009, June was declared National Indigenous History month by the passing of a unanimous motion of the House of Commons; and,

WHEREAS, recognizing National Indigenous History Month is an opportunity for citizens to learn more about the history of the Indigenous peoples in Canada - the first peoples of Canada; and,

WHEREAS, in cooperation with Indigenous Peoples' national organizations, the Government of Canada designated June 21 as National Indigenous Peoples Day; and,

WHEREAS, June 21 was chosen because it corresponds to the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, and for generations many Indigenous Peoples' groups have celebrated their culture and heritage at this time of year; and,

WHEREAS, National Indigenous Peoples Day is a wonderful opportunity to become better acquainted with the cultural diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and to discover the unique accomplishments of Indigenous Peoples;

NOW THEREFORE, Mayor Peter McIsaac, on behalf of Council, does hereby proclaim June 2025 as "National Indigenous History Month" and June 21, 2025, as "National Indigenous Peoples Day" in the Municipality of Powassan and urge all residents to take this opportunity to celebrate and recognize the contributions of the Indigenous peoples to our communities

and Country. Carried

2025-185

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: M. Wand
That the correspondence from Ontario Power Generation, regarding the Bingham Chute Life
Extension Waterpower Project, be received.

Carried

2025-186

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That Council now adjourns to closed session at 7:54pm to discuss:

17.1 Adoption of Closed Session Minutes of May 6, 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

2025-187

Moved by: L. Patey

Seconded by: D. Britton

That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 9:08pm.

Carried

2025-188

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: R. Hall

That council now adjourns at 9:08pm.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk