

The Municipality of
Powassan

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 6:30 pm
Powassan Council Chambers

Present: Markus Wand, Deputy Mayor
Randy Hall, Councillor (Virtually)
Dave Britton, Councillor
Leo Patey, Councillor

Staff: Brayden Robinson, Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services
Allison Quinn, Clerk

Absent,
With Regrets: Peter McIsaac, Mayor

Presentations: None.

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof:
Councillor Wand Item 15.1 Named in Item.

2025-242

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of August 19, 2025, be approved, with the following addendums:

Item 15.1 Tile Loan Application

Item 15.2 North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority Weather Station

Carried

2025-243

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: R. Hall
That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of July 29, 2025, be adopted. **Carried**

2025-244

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That the minutes from the Municipal Recreation Committee meeting of February 5, 2025, be received. **Carried**

2025-245

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
That the memo from Deputy Clerk, K. Bester, regarding Powassan Firewood Expansion Plans, be received; and,

FURTHER that the Council of the Municipality of Powassan hereby supports in principle, the Powassan Firewood Expansion Plans. **Carried**

2025-246

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: R. Hall
That the report from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding the 2014 GMC Sierra Follow-Up be received; and,

FURTHER that staff proceed as directed by Council based on the options outlined in the memo.

Carried

2025-247

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the report from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding 2025 Capitol Project Tenders, be received; and,

FURTHER that staff be authorized to directly negotiate agreements for the completion of any unsuccessfully tendered projects within their approved 2025 budget limits.

Carried

2025-248

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: L. Patey

That the report from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding Plow Truck Replacement, be received; and,

FURTHER that the quote from Gin-Cor in the amount of \$429,680.00 plus HST be approved and that staff be directed to amend the fleet renewal program plan as per the recommendations outlined in the staff report.

Carried

2025-249

Moved by: L. Patey

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the report from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding Lagoon Capacity Review, be received; and,

FURTHER that staff be authorized to execute an agreement with Dillon Consulting Limited for this service.

Carried

2025-250

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the report from Treasurer/Director of Corporate Services, B. Robinson, regarding RFP for Website Redesign, be received; and,

FURTHER that Council award the RFP to GHD Digital.

Carried

2025-251

Moved by: D. Britton

Seconded by: L. Patey

That the notice of a public meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 6pm for a Zoning Bylaw Amendment, be received.

Carried

2025-252

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the report from Planscape regarding the Final Official Plan be received and,

FURTHER that Council directs staff to proceed with the following option:

1. To adopt the Final Official Plan as prepared for the August 19, 2025, Council meeting and to send the Final Official Plan (subject to minor revisions as required) to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Councillor Britton

Councillor Britton Yea

Councillor Hall Yea

Deputy Mayor Wand Yea

Councillor Patey Yea

Carried

2025-253

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
That the Powassan and District Union Public Library Board 2024 Audit and Financial Statements, be received.

Carried

2025-254

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: R. Hall
That the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority's 2024 Financial Statements, be received.

Carried

2025-255

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That the correspondence from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities dated July 15, 2025, regarding Highway 11 and 17 upgrades, be received; and,

FURTHER that Council direct staff to circulate the proposed letter to Prime Minister Carney, Premier Ford and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

2025-256

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 15 to 21, 2025;

WHEREAS, 261 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2024; resulting in 68 avoidable fatalities and 58 avoidable serious injuries;

WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries caused by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, indigenous communities, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

WHEREAS CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested the Council if the Municipality of Powassan adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

AND be it hereby RESOLVED that Council supports national Rail Safety Week to be held from September 15 to 21, 2025, in the Municipality of Powassan.

Carried

2025-257

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: R. Hall
That the correspondence date July 28, 2025, from the Trout Creek Lions Club regarding the 2025 Fist Annual Recreational Outdoor ATV Run, be received.

Carried

2025-258

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That the Council of the Municipality of Powassan supports the City of North Bay's Resolution 2025-279, calling on the Province of Ontario to make the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support program a permanent fixture of its support to Northern municipalities; to expand program eligibility and the stacking funding from multiple grant and infrastructure programs to advance strategic capital works; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution of support be circulated to the Minister of Northern Development, the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Natural Resources, Nipissing MPP Victor Fedeli, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Northern Ontario municipalities for their awareness and support. **Carried**

Deputy Mayor Wand left the Chair; Councillor Patey took the Chair.

2025-259

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
That the application under the Tile Drainage Act R.S.O. 1990, in the amount of \$50,000.00 for tile drainage be accepted in principle subject to review by the Municipal Drainage Inspector and confirmation from OMAFRA. **Carried**

Deputy Mayor Wand returned to Chair.

2025-260

Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That the council of the Municipality of Powassan supports the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority establishing a Weather Station within the Municipality; and,

FURTHER that the only cost to eh Municipality is the installation of the post. **Carried**

2025-261

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: R. Hall
That Council now adjourns to closed session at 7:29pm to discuss:

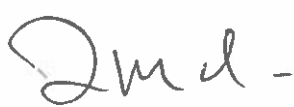
17.1 Adoption of Closed Session Minutes of July 29, 2025
17.2 Legal Matters – Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act and under Section 9(4)(f) of the Procedural Bylaw – advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.
17.3 Labour Relations – Section 239(2)(d) of the Municipal Act and under Section 9(4)(d) of the Procedural Bylaw – matters regarding labour relations or employee negotiations. **Carried**

2025-262

Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: L. Patey
That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 9:07pm. **Carried**

2025-263

Moved by: L. Patey Seconded by: D. Britton
That Council now adjourns at 9:07pm. **Carried**



Mayor



Clerk