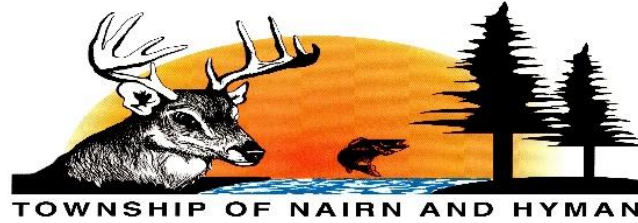


MINUTES

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NAIRN AND HYMAN



Wednesday, January 15, 2025

The Council Meeting was held at the Nairn Community Centre on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. (The meeting was open to the public and recorded to allow for viewing on our website)

Present:	Amy Mazey	Mayor
	Trevor McVey	Deputy Mayor
	Wayne Austin	Councillor
	Rod MacDonald	Councillor
	Guy Despatie	Councillor (attended virtually)
	Belinda Ketchabaw	CAO, Clerk Treasurer

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Mayor Amy Mazey has declared a pecuniary interest on Agenda Item 7 h) (Fire Chief's Report), due to that she is currently a firefighter.

Councillor Trevor McVey has declared a pecuniary interest on Agenda Item 7 h) (Fire Chief's Report), due to that he is a firefighter.

Councillor Wayne Austin has declared a pecuniary interest on Agenda Item 7 h) (Fire Chief's Report), due to a relative involved.

DELEGATIONS

Chris Wray, Integrity Commissioner (PMC Consulting) – Attended the meeting to present an Inquiry Report on the Matter of a Complaint Against Councillors Austin, Despatie and MacDonald and Against Council as a Whole, issued January 12, 2025.

INTERGRITY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-1

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Integrity Commissioner's Report as presented on January 15, 2025;

AND FURTHER THAT Council will consider the findings and recommendations included in the report at the Council Meeting of February 10, 2025.

CARRIED

ADOPTED COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-2

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following council minutes be accepted as presented:

- a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes – December 9, 2024

CARRIED

RECEIVED MINUTES AND REPORTS

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-3

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes and Reports Items 7 a) - k) are noted as received.

CARRIED

CAO REPORT RE: 2025 DRAFT WATER BUDGET

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-4

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

WHEREAS Council accepts the CAO's Report #2025-1, entitled 2025 Draft Water Budget as presented for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council has reviewed the Draft 2025 Waterworks Budget options as attached to this report; and

FURTHER THAT Council will schedule a Public Meeting on Feb 10, 2025, for which notice will be duly given and Council will then approve the 2025 Waterworks rates to be enacted retroactive to January 1, 2025.

CARRIED

CAO REPORT RE: AMENDMENT TO OPEN AIR BURNING BY-LAW

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-5

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

WHEREAS Council accepts the CAO's Report #2025-2, entitled Amendment to the Open Air Burning By-law as presented for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the proposed changes as attached to this report; and

FURTHER THAT By-law # 2025-1 be given three readings at the January 15th, 2025 Council Meeting to enact the changes.

CARRIED

CAO REPORT RE: 2025 FIRE PROTECTION GRANT

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-6

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

WHEREAS Council has received the CAO's Report #2025-3 entitled Fire Protection Grant – Successful Application for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the execution of the Transfer Payment Agreement for the Fire Protection Grant by giving Bylaw # 2025-2 three readings at the January 15th, 2025, Council Meeting.

CARRIED

CAO REPORT RE: NORTHERN ONTARIO HERITAGE FUND CORPORATION

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-7

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

WHEREAS Council accepts the CAO's Report #2025-4 entitled Authorization to Execute the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation Internship Grant for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the CAO and the Mayor to sign the funding agreement with the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation; and

FURTHER THAT Council authorize the execution of the agreement by giving By-law # 2025-3 three readings at the January 15th, 2025 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

CAO REPORT RE: SUMMARY OF THE HUTCHINSON ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES LTD ASSESSMENTS OF AGNEW LAKE TAILINGS MANAGEMENT AREA

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-8

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

WHEREAS Council accepts the CAO's Report #2025-5 entitled Summary of the Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Ltd. Assessments of the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs the CAO to discuss with OCWA the costs of extra heavy metal water sampling, and sampling at Sand Bay and the Ministic Creek.

CARRIED

TOWN HALL

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-9

MOVED BY: Trevor McVey

SECONDED BY: Guy Despatie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs the CAO to coordinate with the surrounding Municipalities and First Nations to schedule a Town Hall meeting on the week of Feb 17th to the 20th.

CARRIED

CAO REPORT RE: REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE ONTARIO TRILLIUM FUND CAPITAL GRANT APPLICATION TO RENOVATE THE RINK SHACK

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-10

MOVED BY: Trevor McVey

SECONDED BY: Guy Despatie

WHEREAS Council accepts the CAO's Report #2025-6 entitled Request for Funds to Support the Ontario Trillium Fund Capital Grant Application to Renovate the Rink Shack for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does not approve the request from the CAO for funds in the amount of \$5000.00 to hire an engineer/architect to prepare detailed drawings of the proposed Rink Shack renovation; and

FURTHER THAT Council directs the CAO to pursue upgrades to playground at 64 McIntyre and recreational benches in the Sand Bay area.

CARRIED

ACCEPTED MUNICIPAL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-11

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Municipal Superintendent's Report to Council dated January 7, 2025 as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR MACDONALD TO SIT AS CHAIR

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-12

MOVED BY: Trevor McVey

SECONDED BY: Guy Despatie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor MacDonald will sit as the chair for discussions on Agenda item 7H – the Fire Chief Report.

CARRIED

REQUEST TO DEFER FIRE TRUCK LOAN PAYMENT FOR 2025

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-13

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Guy Despatie

WHEREAS Council has received the Fire Chief's Report dated January 8, 2025 for information; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agrees with the request to defer the Fire Truck Loan Payment for 2025 in the amount of \$30,080.28 to the end of the borrowing term as defined by By-law # 2019-6; and

FURTHER THAT the Fire Chief may utilize that amount for the purchase of new PPE in advance of the approval of the 2025 Fire Department Budget.

CARRIED

MAYOR TO RETURN TO CHAIR

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-14

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Guy Despatie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chair return to Mayor Mazey to continue with the Agenda Items.

CARRIED

ACCEPTED PW MINUTES

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-15

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Planning Economic Development & Public Works Committee Minutes dated December 9, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED

ACCEPTED RECREATION MINUTES

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-16

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

WHEREAS Council has received the Community Parks and Recreation Committee minutes, dated January 6, 2025; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts Liisa Furlotte as the new committee chair.

CARRIED

WINTER YOGA SERIES

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-17

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

WHEREAS Council has received the Community Parks and Recreation Committee minutes, and notes Resolution #2025REC-5 requesting funds in the amount of \$400.00 to run a winter yoga series; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this expense.

CARRIED

RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCES

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-18

MOVED BY: Trevor McVey

SECONDED BY: Guy Despatie

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council notes the correspondence items 8 a) to g) as received.

CARRIED

LACLOCHE AREA MUNICIPAL TREE PLANTING RELAY

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-19

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

WHEREAS Council has received the correspondence from the Espanola High School requesting that our municipality participates in the LaCloche Area Municipal Tree Planting Relay; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs that the CAO to inquire about the cost and types of trees available for this program.

CARRIED

BY-LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATIONS OF OPEN AIR BURNING AND PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY PERSONS SETTING FIRES

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-20

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT “Being a By-law to Provide for the Regulation of Open Air Burning and Precautions to be Taken by Persons Setting Fires” be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed in open council and its number shall be 2025-1.

CARRIED

BY-LAW TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO AS REPRESENTED BY THE OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-21

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT “Being a By-law of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman to Enter into an Agreement with his Majesty the King in Right of Ontario as Represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal (the “Province”) and the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman (the “Recipient”).” be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed in open council and its number shall be 2025-2.

CARRIED

BY-LAW TO ENTER INTO A CONDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH NOHFC

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-22

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT “Being a By-law of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman to Enter into a Conditional Contribution Agreement with Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (“NOHFC”) and the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman a municipality existing under the laws of Ontario (the “employer’”) be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed in open council and its number shall be 2025-3.

CARRIED

POSSIBILITY OF CREATING A BY-LAW TO NOT ALLOW HAZARDOUS RADIOACTIVE WASTE ON ANY LOCAL ROADS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-23

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

WHEREAS Council has received the Notice of Motion from Mayor Mazey to discuss the “Possibility of Creating a By-law to Not Allow Hazardous Radioactive Waste on any Local Roads Within the Township”; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs that staff seek out legal advice and an opinion regarding the possibility of creating such by-law from our legal counsellor.

CARRIED

RECORDED VOTE:

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

FOR AGAINST

Mazey, Amy	<u> X </u>	_____	Mazey, Amy	_____
McVey, Trevor	<u> X </u>	_____	McVey, Trevor	_____
Austin, Wayne b	<u> X </u>	_____	Austin, Wayne	_____
Despatie, Guy	<u> X </u>	_____	Despatie, Guy	_____
MacDonald, Rod	<u> X </u>	_____	MacDonald, Rod	_____

(The Mayor will circle the name of the council member deemed to have requested the recorded vote.)

BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-24

MOVED BY: Wayne Austin

SECONDED BY: Rod MacDonald

RESOLVED THAT “Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman” be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed in open council and its number shall be 2025-4.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION # 2025-1-25

MOVED BY: Rod MacDonald

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting of January 15th, 2025, do now adjourn at 8:11 p.m. to meet again on the 10th day of February, 2025, or at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk

These minutes shall not be considered as official minutes until they have been approved by council at their next meeting.