

The Corporation of The Nation Municipality

Minutes

Meeting Information

Meeting Number: 2023-21

Type: Regular

Date: September 25, 2023

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom

Chair: Francis Brière, Mayor

Prepared by: Julie Langlois-Caisse, Administrative Assistant

Video: Council meetings are streamed live on The Nation's YouTube channel.

Scheduled Agenda Items:

None

Presence of Council Members

Mayor Francis Brière, yes Councillor ward 1 Tim Stewart, yes Councillor ward 2 Alain Mainville, yes Councillor ward 3 Danik Forgues, yes Councillor ward 4 Raymond Lalande, motivated absence Councillor ward 5 Daniel Boisvenue, yes Councillor ward 6 Marjorie Drolet, yes

Presence of Municipal Staff

Guylain Laflèche, Acting Deputy Clerk / Director of Planning

Julie Langlois-Caisse, Administrative Assistant Marc Legault, Director of Public Works Carol Ann Scott, Director of Recreation Justin Lafrance, Deputy Director of Recreation Mario Villeneuve, Fire Chief (presence in person in Council chambers)

Agenda Items

1. Call to order

Resolution: 354-2023 Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue Seconded by: Danik Forgues

Be it resolved that the present meeting be opened.

Carried

2. Changes and Additions to Agenda

Additions:

8.5 Francis Brière, Mayor

8.5.1 Interlude House

Declaration of an epidemic of Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women

12.2 By-law 104-2023

Part lot control at 54, 56, 58 & 60 Horizon Street, St-Albert and to repeal bylaw 85-2023

3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution: 355-2023 Moved by: Marjorie Drolet Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that the agenda be accepted, including the modifications made forthwith, as applicable.

Carried

4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

5. Closed session

6. Adoptions of minutes from previous Council meetings

6.1 Minutes of regular Council meeting held on September 11, 2023

Resolution: 356-2023 Moved by: Tim Stewart Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that the minutes of the following meeting be adopted as presented:

- Minutes of the regular Council meeting held on September 11, 2023

Carried

7. Adoption of the recommendations and minutes of the meetings of Council Committees

8. Receiving of Monthly Reports from the Appointed Municipal Officials

8.1 Marc Legault, Director of Public Works

8.1.1 Report TP-19-2023 – Wilson Bridge SP010

Resolution: 357-2023 Moved by: Danik Forgues Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council receives report TP-19-2023 as presented at its September 25, 2023 meeting by the Director of Public Works.

Carried

8.2 Carol Ann Scott, Director of Recreation

8.2.1 Report RE-17-2023 – Tender for Caledonia Community Centre Structural Repairs

Item tabled.

8.3 Nadia Knebel, Treasurer

8.3.1 Property Tax Write Off

Resolution: 358-2023 Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that the property taxes for the properties as per Schedule "A" hereto attached be cancelled in accordance with Section 354 of the Municipal Act, 2001.

8.4 Guylain Laflèche, Director of planning

8.4.1 Report PLA-18-2023 – Zoning by-law amendment to regulate windmill installations and large battery storage.

Resolution: 359-2023 Moved by: Tim Stewart Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that Council approves the recommendation as presented at its September 25, 2023 meeting by the Director of Planning in his report PLA-18-2023.

Carried

8.4.2 Allocation of property taxes at 626 Principale Street, Casselman

Resolution: 360-2023 Moved by: Danik Forgues Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that Council of The Nation Municipality confirms its agreement with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) for the allocation of the property assessment of the Ford distribution centre located at 626 Principale Street to be 67% for the Municipality in Casselman and 33% for the Municipality of The Nation.

Carried

8.5 Francis Brière, Mayor

8.5.1 Interlude House

Declaration of an epidemic of Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women

Resolution: 361-2023 Moved by: Danik Forgues Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that Council of The Nation Municipality recognizes that the problems of violence in rural communities are serious for the health and well-being of local families.

Be it also resolved that the Council of The Nation Municipality declares that IPV (intimate partner violence) and VAW (violence against women) constitute an epidemic and must be declared as such.

9. Notice of Proposed Motions

9.1 Daniel Boisvenue, Councillor ward 5

9.1.1 Motion regarding the lack of available daycare space

Resolution: 362-2023 Moved by: Marjorie Drolet Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Whereas there is a severe lack of available daycare spaces in our rural areas.

Whereas in recent years, our community has witnessed a steady increase in young families choosing to reside in our picturesque rural setting.

Whereas we recognize the significant role that early childhood education and daycare services play in the social and economic fabric of our community.

Whereas we are committed to contributing our efforts and resources towards finding viable solutions.

Therefore, be it resolved that support be allocated to help establish additional daycare centers or expand existing ones including initiatives to incentivize private sector investment in daycare infrastructure could also be explored.

Be it also resolved that we kindly request the assistance of the United Counties of Prescott-Russell and the Government of the Province of Ontario and that we urge both entities to acknowledge the urgency of the situation and collaborate to address this daycare space deficit.

Carried

10. Unfinished Business from Previous Meetings

11. Delegations

- 12. Municipal By-laws
 - **12.1** By-law 102-2023 To appoint an engineer to the Caledonia Creek Municipal Drain

12.2 By-law 104-2023

Part lot control at 54, 56, 58 & 60 Horizon Street, St-Albert and to repeal Bylaw 85-2023 Resolution: 363-2023 Moved by: Alain Mainville Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that by-laws number 102-2023 and 104-2023 as described on the September 25, 2023 agenda be read and adopted in first, second and third reading.

- By-law 102-2023 To appoint an engineer to the Caledonia Creek Municipal Drain
- By-law 104-2023 Part lot control 54, 56, 58 & 60 Horizon Street, St-Albert and to repeal By-law 85-2023

Carried

13. Approval of the Variance Report and Accounts Payable

13.1 Accounts payable

Resolution:364-2023 Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that Council approves the accounts payable up to October 15, 2023

Voucher 18: **\$3,660,953.31**

Carried

14. Other Business

14.1 Donation request – *Leadership Féminin Prescott-Russell* 2023 Symposium

Resolution:365-2023 Moved by: Danik Forgues Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that Council approves giving a donation of \$350.00 to *Leadership Féminin Prescott-Russell*, \$150.00 to be taken from the Mayor's donation account, \$100.00 to be taken from the ward 5 donation account, and \$100.00 to be taken from the ward 6 donation account.

15. Various Monthly Reports

15.1 EOHU – Current outbreaks

16. Correspondence

- 16.1 AMO Watchfile
- **16.2** Municipality of Shuniah Resolution regarding Chronic Pain Treatments
- **16.3** Ontario Provincial Police Distribution of Police Record Check Revenue to Municipalities
- 16.4 Riceville Agricultural Society Christmas Market

Resolution: 366-2023 Moved by: Marjorie Drolet Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that the correspondence as listed on the September 25, 2023 agenda be received.

Carried

17. Coming Events

17.1 September 30, 2023 – Party in Jean-Paul Charlebois Park in St-Bernardin

17.2 October 16, 2023 – Regular Council meeting

17.3 October 30, 2023 – Regular Council meeting

18. Confirming By-law

Resolution: 367-2023 Moved by: Danik Forgues Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that By-law no. 103-2023 to confirm the proceedings of Council at its regular meeting of September 25, 2023, be read and adopted in 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading.

Carried

19. Adjournment

Resolution: 368-2023 Moved by: Alain Mainville Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that the present meeting be adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Francis Brière, Mayor

Guylain Laflèche, Acting Deputy Clerk