



The Corporation of The Nation Municipality Minutes

Meeting Information

Meeting Number: 2024-03

Type: Regular

Date: February 12, 2024

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Town Hall, 958 route 500 West, Casselman, Ontario

Chair: Francis Brière, Mayor

Prepared by: Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

Video: The recording of the meeting is available for viewing on [The Nation's YouTube channel](#).

Scheduled Agenda Items:

4:30 p.m.: 11.1 Delegation, South Nation Conservation, Potential Retrogressive Landslide Areas

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, yes
 Councillor ward 5 Daniel Boisvenue, yes
 Councillor ward 6 Marjorie Drolet, yes

Presence of Municipal Staff

Amélie Deschamps, Communications and Marketing Coordinator
 Mario Villeneuve, Fire Chief

Chantal Lauzon, Human Resources Manager
 Carol Ann Scott, Director of Recreation
 Justin Lafrance, Deputy Director of Recreation
 Josée Brizard, CAO-Clerk
 Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk
 Nicholas Pigeon, Acting Director of Water and Wastewater
 Guylain Laflèche, Director of Planning
 Nadia Knebel, Treasurer
 Marc Legault, Director of Public Works

Presence of guests

John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands, and Community Outreach, South Nation Conservation

Carl Bickerdike, Chief Administrative Officer, South Nation Conservation

Agenda Items

1. Call to order

Resolution: 60-2024

Moved by: Danik Forgues

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that the present meeting be opened.

Carried

2. Changes and Additions to Agenda

Correction:

Item 5.2.1, The item title shall be corrected to: "Report RH-02-2024 – Update on change to employee policy"

3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution: 61-2024

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

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

Adjournment for closed session

Resolution: 62-2024

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Danik Forgues

Be it resolved that the present meeting be adjourned at **4:46 p.m.** for a closed session under the following section(s) of the Municipal Act, 2001:

Section 239(2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

(d) labour relations or employee negotiations;

Carried

Re-opening after closed session

Resolution: 63-2024

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that the present meeting be re-opened at **5:03 p.m.**

Carried

5.1 Minutes of Closed session held on January 29, 2024

5.1.1 Business arising from minutes from previous minutes

5.2 Chantal Lauzon, Human Resources Manager

5.2.1 Report RH-02-2024 – Update on change to employee policy

Section 239(2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

(d) labour relations or employee negotiations;

Resolution: 64-2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Danik Forgues

Be it resolved that Council approve the recommendation as presented in the amended report RH-02-2024.

Carried

6. Adoptions of minutes from previous Council meetings

6.1 Minutes of regular Council meeting held on January 29, 2024

6.2 Minutes of public zoning meeting held on January 15, 2024

Resolution: 65-2024

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

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

- Regular Council meeting held on January 29, 2024 as amended;
- Public Zoning Meeting held on January 15, 2024 as presented.

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 Mario Villeneuve, Fire Chief

8.1.1 Report NFD-01-2024 Application to Firehouse Subs Grants for a set of Jaws of Life

Resolution: 66-2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council authorizes the Fire Chief to apply for a grant with Firehouse Subs in the amount of \$35,000 for a set of extrication tools and;

Be it further resolved that the Council authorizes the Fire Chief to deviate from the purchasing policy and purchase the set of battery-operated extrication tools from Hurst Jaws of Life.

Carried

8.2 Marc Legault, Director of Public Works

8.2.1 Report TP-06-2024 Change of dealer for the purchase of five new pick-up trucks

Resolution: 67-2024

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that the Council accepts the recommendation presented by the Public Works Director in his report TP-06-2024 and the tender Road-01-2024 to purchase 5 pick-up trucks be awarded Laplante Chevrolet Buick GMC Ltd. of Casselman for the total sum of \$264,190.38 plus taxes as per the requested specifications.

Be it further resolved that resolution # 40-2024 regarding report TP-02-2024 be repealed.

Carried

8.3 Carol Ann Scott, Director of Recreation

8.3.1 Report RE-05-2024 Application of Ontario Trillium Foundation Capital Grant

Resolution: 68-2024

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council approves that an application for funding be submitted to Ontario Trillium Foundation for the Arena in the St-Isidore Recreation Centre.

Carried

8.3.2 Report RE-06-2024 Application for a permanent liquor licence for the GFL Hall

Resolution: 69 -2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that Council approves the request to apply to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) for a permanent liquor licence with a catering endorsement for the GFL hall in The Nation Sports Complex.

Carried

8.4 Nadia Knebel, Treasurer

8.4.1 Report F-04-2024 Council remuneration for 2023

Resolution: 70-2024

Moved by: Danik Forgues

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council receives and approves the remuneration and expenses for Members of Council and for members of a local board for the year 2023, as presented by the Treasurer in her report F-04-2024.

Carried

8.4.2 Report F-05-2024 Other disbursements for 2023

Resolution: 71-2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Raymond Lalande

Be it resolved that Council receives the list of other disbursements for 2023, as presented by the Treasurer in her report F-05-2024.

Carried

8.4.3 WSIB for firefighters

Resolution: 72-2024

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that Council approves that the firefighters' WSIB insurance be set at a maximum of \$88,746.29 for the year 2024.

Carried

8.5 Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

8.5.1 Report CL-01-2024 Proposed changes to the Council procedural By-law

8.5.2 Report CL-02-2024 Donations to Optimist Clubs and Senior Clubs

Item tabled

8.6 Eric Leroux, Superintendent of Drainage

8.6.1 Drainage Report #2024-0104 for the month of January 2024

Resolution: 73-2024

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council receive report #2024-0104 for the Superintendent of Drainage for the month of January 2024, as presented at the February 12, 2024 meeting.

Carried

8.6.2 Notice of decision regarding the realignment of the Donat Laflèche Municipal Drain under 78(5) of the Drainage Act

Resolution: 74-2024

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that Council receive the Notice of realignment of part of the Donat Laflèche Municipal Drain, under section 78(5) of the Drainage Act, by Shade Group Inc, as presented on the February 12, 2024 agenda.

Carried

8.7 Josée Brizard, CAO-Clerk

8.7.1 Report CL-03-2024 Police Services Board, Resolution to appoint a representative

Resolution: 75-2024

Moved by: Danik Forgues

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Whereas the Council of The Nation Municipality adopted Resolution Number 285-2021 on May 10, 2021 to approve the composition of the Police Services Board for the County of Russell Ontario Provincial Police Detachment;

Be it resolved that Council now appoints Raymond Lalande to be the representative to sit on the Russell County Police Services Board and Mrs, Aimée Roy as the administrative contact.

Carried

9. Notice of Proposed Motions

9.1 Prince Edward County, Motion regarding support for the Province to expand the life span of the fire apparatus

Resolution: 76-2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of Prince Edward County carried a motion on January 16th, 2024, number 2024-46, to request a meeting with Minister Smith to discuss the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements, and to write to the FUS requesting the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that distinguishes rural and urban municipalities;

Whereas rural municipalities such as the Corporation of The Nation Municipality, faces unique challenges for recruitment, certification, budget constraints, and fleet management which is aggravated by the standards imposed by provincial legislation;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of The Nation Municipality supports the resolution carried by the Corporation of Prince Edward County.

Carried

9.2 Resolutions regarding Cemetery Transfer/Abandonment Administration and Management Support Request

9.2.1 Township of Wainfleet

9.2.2 Town of Gore Bay

Resolution: 77-2024

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Raymond Lalande

Be it resolved that Council of The Nation Municipality supports the motion adopted on December 11 2023, by the Council of the Clearview Township, requesting support for the administration & management of cemetery transfers and abandonments.

Carried

10. Unfinished Business from Previous Meetings

10.1 Guylain Lafèche, Director of Planning

10.1.1 Report PLA-1-2024-2

Service note regarding By-law #4-2024 To establish interim control provisions for the entirety of the Corporation of the Municipality of The Nation to prohibit the establishment of new large scale renewable energy facilities for a period of twelve months in order to allow for the appropriate completion of further research and consultations.

11. Delegations

11.1 South Nation Conservation, Potential Retrogressive Landslide Areas

12. Municipal By-laws

12.1 By-law #4-2024 – To establish interim control provisions for the entirety of the Corporation of the Municipality of The Nation to prohibit the establishment of new large scale renewable energy facilities for a period of twelve months in order to allow for the appropriate completion of further research and consultations

Resolution:78-2024

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that By-law #-4-2024, as presented at appendix 2 of report PLA-1-2024-2, 2024 agenda be read and adopted in first, second and third reading:

By-law # 4-2024 – To establish interim control provisions for the entirety of the Corporation of the Municipality of The Nation to prohibit the establishment of new large scale renewable energy facilities for a period of twelve months in order to allow for the appropriate completion of further research and consultations.

Carried

13. Approval of the Variance Report and Accounts Payable

13.1 Accounts payable

Resolution: 79-2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Raymond Lalande

Be it resolved that Council approves the accounts payable up to February 15, 2024.

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Carried

14. Other Business

- 14.1** Donation request, Prescott Russell Recreational Trail
Activities for the year

Resolution: 80-2024

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that Council approves giving a donation of \$1,000.00 to Prescott-Russell Recreational Trail, \$600.00 to be taken from the United Counties of Prescott-Russell donation account, \$100.00 to be taken from the ward 1 donation account, \$100.00 to be taken from the ward 4 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.

Carried

- 14.2** Donation request, 2804 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps Casselman
Activities for the year

Resolution: 81-2024

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that Council approves giving a donation of \$1,000.00 to 2804 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps of Casselman, \$500.00 to be taken from the Mayor's donation account and \$500.00 to be taken from the ward 4 donation account.

Carried

- 14.3** Donation request, *Journée familiale Boboul*

Resolution: 82-2024

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that Council approves giving a donation of \$1,000.00 to Journée Familiale Boboul, \$500.00 to be taken from the Mayor's donation account, \$300.00 to be taken from the ward 5 donation account and \$200.00 to be taken from the ward 6 donation account.

Carried

- 14.4** Donation request, *Association du Hockey Mineur de St-Isidore*
Activities for the year

Resolution: 83-2024

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council approves giving a donation of \$700.00 to Association du Hockey Mineur de St-Isidore, \$200.00 to be taken from the ward 1 donation account, \$300.00 to be taken from the ward 2 donation account and \$200.00 to be taken from the ward 4 donation account.

Carried

15. Various Monthly Reports

15.1 EOHU, Current outbreaks

15.2 Integrity Commissioner Annual Report 2022-2023

Resolution: 84-2024

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council receive Integrity Commissioner's Annual Report 2022-2023, as presented on the February 12, 2024 agenda.

Carried

16. Correspondence

16.1 AMO Watchfile

16.2 Interlude House, Invitation to a Conference by Kim Thúy, International Women's Day

16.3 Circular Innovation Council, Membership brochure

16.4 South Nation Conservation, Memorandum, Community Free Tree Days

16.5 A room for everyone, Homelessness prevention Prescott-Russell, February 2024

16.6 Statistics report *Halte-Chaleur* Hawkesbury Shelter

16.7 Town of South Bruce Peninsula, Correspondance regarding support for comprehensive review of social and economic prosperity

Resolution: 85-2024

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Danik Forgues

Be it resolved that the correspondence as listed on the February 12, 2024 agenda be received.

Carried

17. Coming Events

17.1 February 16 and 17, 2024, Limoges Winterfest

17.2 February 19, 2024, Family Day Activities., in partnership with Kawabunga

From 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the St-Isidore Recreation Centre

From 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at The Nation Sports Complex in Limoges

17.3 February 26, 2024, Regular Council meeting

17.4 March 11, 2024, Regular Council meeting

18. Confirming By-law

Resolution: 86-2024

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Danik Forgues

Be it resolved that By-law no. 15-2024 to confirm the proceedings of Council at its regular meeting of February 12, 2024, be read and adopted in 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading.

Carried

19. Adjournment

Resolution: 87-2024

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that the present meeting be adjourned at **6:36 p.m.**

Carried

Francis Brière, Mayor

Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk