



REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, January 29th, 2024 at 6:30 PM
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Attendance:

Council: Mayor Ryan Bignucolo
Deputy Mayor Lisi Bernier
Councillor Cathy Ansara
Councillor Paul Bernier (excused absence)
Councillor Alex Lambruschini

Staff: Judith Meyntz, CAO
Réjean Raymond, Operations Director
Les Jones, Treasurer

Guests: None

Attendees: 4

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau does hereby call the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, January 29th, 2024 to order at 6:30 p.m.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Municipality of Chapleau is situated on the ancestral treaty and title lands of the Anishinabe and Cree peoples in the Treaty 9 area, and recognizes the neighbouring First Nations of Brunswick House, Chapleau Cree, Chapleau Ojibwe, Michipicoten and Missanabi Cree.

We acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Metis People in Ontario and show respect to them today.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
RESOLUTION 02-20:
C. ANSARA – L. BERNIER

WHEREAS the Members of Council have been presented with an Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, January 29th, 2024;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

3. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Bignucolo requested that any pecuniary interest be declared for the record.
- None disclosed.

4. **DELEGATIONS:** None

5. **COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT** - None

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

RESOLUTION 02-21:

A. LAMBRUSCHINI – C. ANSARA

WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Chapleau has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of:

6.1 Council and Committee Meeting Minutes

6.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, January 15, 2024

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, January 15, 2024.

Carried.

7. **BUSINESS**

RESOLUTION 02-22:

L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

7.1 Tulloch 2023 Structure Inspection Report (Bridge Report) Review

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau accepts the Tulloch 2023 Structure Inspection Report (Bridge Report) for information.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-23:

C. ANSARA – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

7.2 Review of 2023 Variance Report

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau accepts the 2023 Variance Report for information.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-24:

A. LAMBRUSCHINI – C. ANSARA

7.3 Review of Business Kilometre rates for the Township of Chapleau

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the recommendation of our Integrity Commissioner to bring kilometre rate in line with the government standard;

AND THAT Council would like to set the 2024 rate for kilometre at \$0.68 for the first 5,000 kilometres, and then \$0.62 per kilometer for any kilometres used within the year.

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT Council recommends the following rates to be effective as of January 1, 2024.

Carried.

8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

RESOLUTION 02-25:

L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive for information the Accounts Payable listing in the amount of **\$247,547.03** for the period ending January 24, 2024.

Carried.

9. RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 02-26:

A. LAMBRUSCHINI – C. ANSARA

9.1 By-Law No. 2024-04, Being a By-law to establish Remuneration Rates for Members of Council

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the recommendations from the salary survey and the Integrity Commissioner to bring Council remuneration more in line with others in the AMCTO Zone 7 district;

AND THAT Council wishes to encourage others in the community to volunteer of their time to help lead the Township, and feels that an increase in the remuneration may encourage others to get involved;

AND THAT Council recognizes the increased revenue that has been generated in 2023 from various Council initiatives ensures that the conditions for the reduction in Council pay are no longer necessary to carry a balanced budget;

AND THAT Council recommends the adjustment of honourarium be backdated to October 1, 2023 when this item was first presented to Council for further review;

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT Council recommends the following monthly salaries for the positions detailed below:

Mayor	\$1,700.00
Deputy Mayor	\$1,100.00
Councillor	\$900.00

Carried.

Clerk’s note: Councillor Lambruschini requested council consider a change in backdating and to not include CPI increases.

RESOLUTION 02-27:

L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

9.2 By-Law No. 2024-05, Being an Amendment to By-law 2020-11, Being a By-law to adopt a policy for procurement of goods and services for the Township of Chapleau, Schedule “B” only.

THAT By-law Number 2024-05, Being an Amendment to By-law 2020-11, Being a By-law to adopt a policy for procurement of goods and services for the Township of Chapleau, Schedule “B” only be Read a First and Second time this 29th day of January, 2024;

AND FURTHER be Read a third time, passed and properly signed and sealed this 29th day of January, 2024.

Carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLUTION 02-28:

A. LAMBRUSCHINI – L. BERNIER

- A. Algoma Public Health and Public Health Sudbury & Districts notification of potential merger dated January 19, 2024.
- B. Chapleau General Hospital 2023 Report
- C. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry letter regarding Crown Land Disposition in Northern Municipalities dated January 19, 2024
- D. Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs letter regarding Rural Economic Development dated January 22, 2024
- E. ROMA Fill in the Gaps Closer to Home – Improving Access to Services for Rural Ontario dated January 25, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau receives the Correspondence from the January 29, 2024 Council Agenda with the following items extracted for discussion:

Item A: APH and PHSD potential merger - Councillor A. Lambruschini inquired about messaging to the public. Council wanted to wait until this merger was confirmed.

Item B: Extracted but no further discussion had.

Additional Item Request: OEB Notice of Hearing for Hydro One acquisition of Chapleau PUC – Councillor A. Lambruschini requested that reminder notification be given to public

that deadline to “Have your say” is February 5, 2024 and information is available on the Township of Chapleau website.

Carried.

11. IN CAMERA

RESOLUTION 02-29:

C. ANSARA – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

Adjourn to In Camera Session

THAT the Corporation of the Council of the Township of Chapleau move into In Camera Session on Monday, January 29, 2024 at 7:29 p.m. for the following matters:

- 11.1 In Camera Session Meeting Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of January 15, 2024.
- 11.2 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, pursuant to *Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(b)*
 - Human Resources

Carried.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting

RESOLUTION 02-30

L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

THAT this meeting be reconvened to a Regular Meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Carried.

Matters Arising from In Camera Session

RESOLUTION 02-31:

L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

- 11.1 In Camera Session Meeting Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of January 15, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the In-Camera Minutes for January 15, 2024 as presented.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-32:

A. LAMBRUSCHINI – L. BERNIER

- 11.2.1 Financial Reporting Review for 2024

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby request that moving forward all monthly variance statements will be provided to Directors and

Managers during the third week of the month following the deadline;

AND THAT all reports will be separated by Operating Budget, Capital Budget, and Reserves.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-33:

C. ANSARA – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

11.2.2 New Firefighter Recruit

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve Gerald Joly to move to active duty of the Chapleau Volunteer Fire Department.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-34:

C. ANSARA – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

11.2.3 6 Month Performance Review of CAO

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve a step increase in salary for the CAO Meyntz based on the completion of the six-month performance review as of the current pay period.

Carried.

12. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

RESOLUTION 02-35:

L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

THAT By-law No. 2024-06, being a confirmatory by-law for the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, January 29, 2024, be given a First, Second, Third and final reading and is passed as of this date.

Carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 02-36:

C. ANSARA – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

WHEREAS the business of the Meeting has concluded:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:17 p.m. until the Regular Council meeting of Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. or the call of the Chair.

Carried.

Ryan Bignucolo Mayor

Judith Meyntz CAO