



Municipality of Val Rita-Harty

Minutes

Regular council meeting of September 21, 2021 – 7 pm (In the council chambers)

Attendances

Members present	Johanne Baril – Mayor Carole Lessard – Councillor Angèle Beauvais – Councillor Roger Lachance – Councillor Alain Tremblay – Councillor
Employees present	Jimmy Côté – CAO Eric Bizier – Clerk
Other presence	None
Absence	None

1 CALL TO ORDER

Call to order at 7 :02 pm.

1.1 Opening words – special guest

Opening words of the mayor. She acknowledges the ancestral land of the First Nation Moose Cree on which we gather to contribute to our community. She acknowledges the l' Omushkegowuk, of the council of Mushkegowuk, and the 7 First Nations. This includes the First Nation of Attawapiskat, Taykwa Tagamou, Kashechewan, Fort Albany, Moose Cree, Chapleau Cree and Missanabie. She acknowledges the Kapuskasing Indian Friendship Center, that serves the indigenous people, notably the Moose Cree Ililiwak. She sends her thank you to Desiree Mathews, a worker for the Kizhaay Anishinabe (I am a kind man) that fabricated a traditional dress.

2 AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Res. # 21-140

MOVED BY: Carole Lessard

SECONDED BY: Alain Tremblay

That the agenda be adopted as presented with the following change:

- Item 14.1 : National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

ADOPTED

3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND GENERAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

4 ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Res. # 21-141

MOVED BY: Alain Tremblay

SECONDED BY: Roger Lachance

That the minutes of the regular meeting of July 20, 2021 be adopted as presented.

ADOPTED

5 DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/PETITION

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

7 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Northwest Ontario Orthophotography Project (NWOOP) – 2022

Res. # 21-142

MOVED BY : Angèle Beauvais

SECONDED BY : Roger Lachance

That the council of Val Rita-Harty approves the intent of the municipality of Val Rita-Harty to participate in the North Western Orthophotography Project (NWOOP) – 2022.

ADOPTED

7.2 Thank you letter

Thank you letter from a student at Cité des Jeunes.

7.3 Request for support – Kapuskasing & District Chamber of Commerce

Res. # 21-143

MOVED BY : Carole Lessard

SECONDED BY : Angèle Beauvais

That the municipal council strongly believes that the local economy is an important and vital aspect for all communities;

That the municipal council encourages every initiative to promote and encourage local purchases;

Be it resolved that the municipal council of Val Rita-Harty supports the Think Local Initiative by the Kapuskasing and District Chamber of Commerce.

ADOPTED

7.4 South Bruce Peninsula – Request for support

Res. # 21-144

MOVED BY : Alain Tremblay

SECONDED BY : Roger Lachance

That the municipal council believes that non-profit organizations shouldn't be prevented from acquiring other sources of revenues;

That the municipal council ask for support from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario to implement an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable non-profit organizations to obtain a lottery license;

Be it resolved that the municipal council supports the resolution R-226-2021 from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula; and

Be it further resolved that the municipal council directs the staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario and the Town of South Bruce Peninsula.

ADOPTED

7.5 Ontario Trillium Fondation – Community Building Fund

Discussion on the project that can be included in the Community Building fund.

8 REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Res. # 21-145

MOVED BY: Roger Lachance

SECONDED BY: Carole Lessard

That the municipal council adopts the reports from municipal officers as presented.

ADOPTED

8.1 Treasurer – Accounts payable July 2021

Accounts payable for the month of July 2021 in the amount of \$255,589.21.

8.2 Treasurer – Accounts payable August 2021

Accounts payable for the month of August in the amount of \$256,977.00.

8.3 Public works – Equipment report July 2021

Monthly equipment report from the public works team for the month of July 2021.

8.4 Public works – Equipment report August 2021

Monthly equipment report from the public works team for the month of August 2021.

8.5 Fire department – July 2021

Monthly activity report from the fire department for the month of July 2021.

8.6 Fire department – August 2021

Monthly activity report from the fire department for the month of August 2021.

8.7 OCWA – Operation report July 2021

Operation report from OCWA for the month of July 2021.

8.8 OCWA – Operation report August 2021

Operation report from OCWA for the month of August 2021.

8.9 CAO – Evaluation of propositions from consultants

Res. # 21-146

MOVED BY : Carole Lessard

SECONDED BY : Roger Lachance

That the council read the evaluation and approves the chosen consultant, Maclaren Municipal Consulting Inc., to conduct an organizational review of the municipality of Val Rita-Harty at cost of \$67,376.50.

ADOPTED

8.10 CAO – Covid-19 update

Covid-19 update by the chief administrative officer.

8.11 CAO – Tax receivables August 31, 2021

Summary of tax receivables for the month of August 2021.

9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Res. # 21-147

MOVED BY: Roger Lachance

SECONDED BY: Angèle Beauvais

That the reports of committees and associations be adopted as presented.

ADOPTED

9.1 MPAC – 2nd quarter report

2nd quarter report from MPAC.

10 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11 MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

12 IN-CAMERA SESSION

13 REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA SESSION

14 OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 National day for truth and reconciliation

Res. # 21-148

MOVED BY: Johanne Baril

SECONDED BY: Alain Tremblay

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;

AND WHEREAS all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in

reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Val Rita-Harty does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, 2021, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.

ADOPTED

15 CALENDAR

16 ADJOURNMENT

Res. # 21-145

MOVED BY: Alain Tremblay

SECONDED BY: Roger Lachance

That the regular meeting of council be adjourned at 8:57 pm.

ADOPTED



Johanne Baril – Mayor



Eric Bizier - Clerk