



The Corporation of the  
**TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN**

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**TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN**  
**Regular Meeting of Council**  
**MINUTES**

**DATE:** September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
**TIME:** 5:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Baldwin Township Municipal Hall

**CALL TO ORDER & NOTE MEMBERS PRESENT**

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 5:00 p.m.

**Council members present:**

Mayor Vern Gorham  
Deputy Mayor Jason Cote  
Councilor Marc Lepine  
Councilor Bert McDowell  
Councilor Ray Maltais

**Staff present:**

Clerk Holly Zahorodny

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:**

**NONE**

**MEETING OPEN**

**Resolution # 24-116**

Moved by: M. Lepine

Seconded by: J. Cote

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The September 9th, 2024 Council meeting is now open at 5:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

## **AGENDA**

### **Resolution # 24-117**

Moved by: B. McDowell

Second by: M. Lepine

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The council accepts the September 9th, 2024 agenda as presented, section 3.

**CARRIED**

## **COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **Resolution #24-118**

Moved by: M. Lepine

Seconded by: J. Cote

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The council accepts the meeting minutes as presented, section 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

**CARRIED**

## **DELEGATIONS**

- 1) Stephen Jackson – Zoning Amendment Application/Approval
- 2) Robert Rigby & Claudine Bichette – CPL Glen Arnold soccer field use
- 3) Leah Campbell – First Nairn Centre Girl Guides Meeting

### **Resolution #24-119**

Moved by: M. Lepine

Second by: B. McDowell

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council allows the 1<sup>st</sup> Nairn Centre Girl Guides to use the recreation centre free of charge for their weekly meetings.

**CARRIED**

## **REPORTS**

### **Resolution #24-120**

Moved by: B. McDowell

Second by: J. Cote

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The Council accepts the September 9th, 2024 Reports as presented in section 6.

**CARRIED**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Resolution # 24-121**

Moved by: M. Lepine

Second by: R. Maltais

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The Council accepts the correspondence as presented, section 7.

**CARRIED**

## **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

### **Resolution # 24-122**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: B. McDowell

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The council accepts the June 10th, 2024 Statement of Accounts as presented, section 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, and 8.6.

**CARRIED**

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **Resolution # 24-123**

Moved by: R. Maltais

Second by: B. McDowell

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council supports the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa, Resolution # RC24168 regarding the correspondence from the Ontario Forest Industries Association dated June 19, 2024 regarding Immediate Action Needed to Support Ontario's Forest Sector.

**CARRIED**

### **Resolution # 24-124**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: M. Lepine

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council supports the Municipality of Tweed, Resolution No. 229 call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 24-125**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: R. Maltais

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council supports the Township of Larder Lake, Motion # 12 calling upon the province of Ontario to provide financial assistance to the municipalities to complete the Asset Retirement Obligation (ARO).

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 24-126**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: B. McDowell

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council approves the franchise agreement and authorizes the submission thereof to the Ontario Energy Board for approval pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the Municipal Franchises Act.

**FURTHERMORE:** Council requests that the Ontario Energy Board make an order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors By-law 2024-011 and franchise agreement pertaining to the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin is not necessary pursuant to the provisions of Section 9(4) of the Municipal Franchises Act.

**CARRIED**

**BY-LAWS**

**Resolution # 24-127**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: M. Lepine

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Being a by-law to establish standards for property in the municipality be read a first, second and third time and passed in open council on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024 and its number shall be 2024-009.

**FURTHERMORE:** This by-law hereby rescinds by-law 2023-009 in its entirety.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 24-128**

Moved by: B. McDowell

Second by: M. Lepine

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Being a by-law to prohibit and regulate the parking of vehicles in the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin be read a first, second and third time and passed in open council on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024 and its number shall be 2024-010.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 24-129**

Moved by: M. Lepine

Second by: B. McDowell

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Being a by-law to authorize a franchise agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin and Enbridge Gas INC, be read a first time, second and third time and passed in open council on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

**CARRIED**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- 1) Chris Squires – Email request to amend Noise By-law 2023-003 Schedule 2, section 2 and 12.
- 2) Leah Campbell – Email request to utilize the recreation centre free of cost for the 1st Nairn Centre Multi-Branch Girl Guide Unit.
- 3) Township of Baldwin – Levert Road Culvert and Guard Rails replacement for 2025.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Resolution # 24-130**

Moved by: R. Maltais

Second by: J. Cote

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council go into closed session at 6:07PM for the purpose of discussing personal matters regarding identifiable individuals and purchase of land.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 24-131**

Moved by: M. Lepine

Second by: R. Maltais

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Council return to the open meeting at 6:34PM and report on the general discussions held in closed session.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 24-132**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: R. Maltais

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The clerk move forward with the actions discussed in closed session and report back to council at the October meeting.

**CARRIED**

**MEETING CLOSED**

**Resolution # 24-133**

Moved by: J. Cote

Second by: M. Lepine

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** September 9th, 2024 Council meeting is now adjourned at 6:38 PM.

**CARRIED**

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**Mayor**

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**Clerk**