



Town of Petawawa

Inaugural Meeting of Council Minutes November 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Gary Serviss
Deputy Mayor Theresa Sabourin
Councillor James Carmody
Councillor Lisa Coutu
Councillor Karen Donovan
Councillor Adam Driscoll
Councillor Murray Rutz

Also Present:

Daniel Scissons, CAO
Colin Howard, Clerk
Kate Bennett, Executive Assistant
Annette Mantifel, Treasurer
Karen Cronier, Director of Planning and Development
David Unrau, Director of Public Works
Chris Mantha, Manager of Public Works
Peter Lapointe, Lead Hand, Public Works
Christine Mitchell, Economic Development Officer
Mark Reinert, Parks & Recreation Facilities Supervisor
Lisa Worobec, CEO, Petawawa Public Library
Colonel John Vass, Garrison Commander
Chief Warrant Officer Todd Buchanan
Justine Carter
Tracey Serviss
Kelsey Serviss
James Heath
Graham Serviss
Gail Serviss
Dale Slater

Anne Bale
Rob Greene
Alexa Greene
Aimee Greene
Deric Coutu
Henry Coutu
William Coutu
Emily Driscoll
Trudy Driscoll
Donna Rutz
Ed Chow
Cy Steele
Judith Hill
Sharon Dainty
Terry Behnke
Marg Behnke
Lorne Wilson
Gerald Beaupre
Gerald Hoffman
Elaine Soltys-Wiebe
Peter Moss
Malek Bel Hadj Salah
Khaled Bel Hadj Salah
Almira Yamanbaeva
Patricia Leboeuf, Petawawa Post
Anthony Dixon, Pembroke Observer & News
Rudy Kadlec, myFM

Call to Order

Colin Howard, Clerk, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Members of Council entered the Council Chambers and stood behind their respective places around the Council table.

Declarations of Office

Mayor Gary Serviss took the Declaration of Office and Daniel Scissons, CAO, then presented him with his Chain of Office.

The remaining members of Council took their Declarations of Office in the following order:

- Deputy Mayor Theresa Sabourin
- Councillor James Carmody

- Councillor Lisa Coutu
- Councillor Murray Rutz
- Councillor Karen Donovan
- Councillor Adam Driscoll

The Clerk then advised the Mayor that all members of Council have been duly sworn to their office. Mayor Serviss then chaired the remainder of the meeting.

Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Serviss introduced the reading of a land acknowledgement to Council agendas.

On this, the inaugural meeting of the 2022 Petawawa Town Council, I am honoured to read a land acknowledgement as a sign of respect, friendship and cooperation with our neighbours from Pikwakanagan as we embark on our shared journey to reconciliation.

Mayor Serviss read the land acknowledgement.

The Corporation of the Town of Petawawa respectfully acknowledges that this meeting of Council, is taking place on the unceded, Unsurrendered Territory of the Anishinabe Algonquin Nation, whose presence and stewardship of the Kitchissippi and its tributaries, dates back to time immemorial and will continue in perpetuity. We honour their long history of welcoming many Nations to this territory and we acknowledge our shared responsibilities to ensure health and wellbeing for all creation for generations to come.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Mayor Serviss asked Council and delegates to stand for a moment of silent reflection.

Garrison Commander's Address

Colonel John Vass, Garrison Commander, addressed Council.

Mayor's Inaugural Address

Mayor Serviss offered his inaugural address.

Welcome everyone to the inaugural meeting of the 2022 Petawawa Town Council. This is an evening of firsts. For the first time ever at a Petawawa Council meeting, a land acknowledgement was read, a sign that we hope to strengthen our friendship with our Algonquin neighbours from Pikwakanagan. It's the first time in 19 years that Tom Mohns is not sitting at the Council table and the first time in 22 years that Bob Sweet is not presiding as Mayor. I must thank them both again, as well as thank all the Councils that came before us, their combined efforts brought the Town of Petawawa to where it is today.

For the first time in 22 years, Petawawa has a new mayor, for the first time in a very long time there are three new Council members, for the first time ever there is a female

deputy mayor and for the first time ever there are three female members on Council. These are exciting times. Congratulations to Theresa Sabourin back for a fifth term and now the Deputy Mayor, congratulations to James Carmody and Murray Rutz both back for a fourth term. Voters obviously have appreciated all three of you and your efforts thus far and have put their trust in you again. To Lisa Coutu, Karen Donovan and Adam Driscoll, congratulations on being elected as the newest members of Council. You ran solid campaigns and impressed the voters with your enthusiasm. We are all looking forward to working with you over the next four years. Get ready though, because there's no probationary period or internship, you get right down to business.

This new Council team is a fantastic mix of experienced veterans and enthusiastic rookies and we're all itching to get started representing the citizens of Petawawa. Our first item on the schedule will be the difficult task of sorting out the 2023 budget where we will endeavour to maintain one of the lowest tax rates in Renfrew County while still offering the high level of services Petawawa is used to. Other priorities will be to continue our collaboration and cooperation with our neighbours on Garrison Petawawa, continue to improve our infrastructure, alleviate the traffic on Petawawa Boulevard, continue the upgrades of our recreational facilities, encourage and facilitate more housing development of all types, promote and attract more commercial investment and continue to develop our trail systems.

To CAO Dan Scissons and his senior staff, we know you are all experienced and highly effective in your roles and that Petawawa is your passion. To all the employees of all the departments, we know you are dedicated and care deeply about Petawawa. We are looking forward to collaborating with all of you over the next four years as we work together to keep Petawawa a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family.

I'm sure I speak for everyone around the Council table, when I say we owe a huge debt of gratitude to our spouses, partners, families, friends and supporters. We could not have gotten to this point without all of your support. Thank you all.

The road ahead will be filled with challenges, but not potholes because we keep our roads in great shape, and this new team is ready to tackle these challenges and will always act in the best interests of all citizens to ensure that Petawawa continues to progress, improve and remain the best place to live in Renfrew County.

Striking Committee Appointment

Mayor Serviss appointed the Striking Committee, consisting of himself, Deputy Mayor Theresa Sabourin and Councillor Murray Rutz. The Striking Committee, CAO and Clerk then left the Council Chambers to review the appointments of Councillors to various Committees.

Council broke for a short recess at 6:58 p.m.

Council reconvened at 7:03 p.m.

Striking Committee Report

Deputy Mayor Theresa Sabourin presented the recommendation from the Striking Committee.

Resolution #1

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Murray Rutz

Members of Council, we your Striking Committee, wish to report and recommend the following Committee appointments for members of Council for the 2022-2026 term of Council, as follows:

Accessibility Advisory Committee	Councillor Donovan
Pembroke & Area Airport Commission	Councillor Driscoll, Councillor Rutz
Committee of Adjustment	Councillor Coutu, Councillor Driscoll, Deputy Mayor Sabourin
CNL Environmental Stewardship Council	Councillor Donovan
Festival Hall	Councillor Rutz
Petawawa Public Library Board	Councillor Carmody, Councillor Coutu
Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board	Deputy Mayor Sabourin (alternate Councillor Rutz)
Petawawa Police Services Board	Councillor Carmody
Property Standards	Councillor Carmody, Councillor Driscoll
Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Committee	Councillor Coutu, Deputy Mayor Sabourin
Petawawa Business Advisory Network	Councillor Rutz
Striking Committee	Councillor Rutz, Deputy Mayor Sabourin
Town Times	Councillor Donovan, Councillor Driscoll

Carried

Appointment of the Signing Officers

Resolution #2

Moved by Murray Rutz

Seconded by Theresa Sabourin

Whereas it is in the interest of the Corporation to enter into arrangements for the provision of financial products and/or services with The Toronto-Dominion Bank, TD Mortgage Corporation, TD Pacific Mortgage Corporation and The Canada Trust company (collectively, the “Bank”), therefore:

Be it resolved that:

- 1) The Corporation may from time to time:
 - a) open, maintain and operate one or more accounts with the Bank and do all things in relation thereto;
 - b) borrow money or otherwise obtain credit from the Bank in such amounts and on such terms as may be deemed appropriate, by loans, advances, overdrafts, financial leases or otherwise;
 - c) mortgage, hypothecate, charge, pledge, assign, convey, transfer or otherwise grant a security interest in any or all of the property, real and personal, immovable and moveable, undertaking and rights of the Corporation, present and future, to secure the payment and performance of any or all of the present and future indebtedness, liabilities and obligations of the Corporation to the Bank;
 - d) enter into further arrangements for the provision of financial products and/or services with the Bank;
 - e) guarantee the obligations of any third party to the Bank either with or without security; and
 - f) do all such acts and things and execute and deliver any and all agreements or other instruments as deemed necessary by the Bank to give full effect to this resolution.

- 2) In accordance with any restrictions set out below, the persons holding the offices listed below from time to time are authorized for and on behalf of the Corporation to:
 - a) execute and deliver all of the documents and instruments contemplated by this resolution;
 - b) give the Bank instructions in connection with any of the foregoing;
 - c) conduct all aspects of the Corporation’s banking relationship with the Bank;
 - d) further delegate the authority granted hereunder to such person or persons as the authorized signing officer(s) may select at any time and from time to time; and
 - e) appoint, add, remove and/or replace signing officers (including appointing specific signing officers in respect of specified accounts) and to establish and change the Signing Officer Requirements/Restrictions from time to time on prior written notice to the Bank.

The Bank is entitled to rely on such documents, instruments, instructions and transactions as duly and validly authorized and binding on the Corporation

including, without limitation, any documents, instruments, instructions and transactions made, drawn, accepted, endorsed or signed by any delegate(s). The Bank does not need to make any further inquiry into the authority of the authorized signing officers or delegates to bind the Corporation.

Signing Officers (Identify by title and not by name)

The persons holding the corresponding offices, as of the date hereof, are:

Mayor

Gary Serviss

Deputy Mayor

Theresa Sabourin

CAO

Daniel J. Scissons

Treasurer

Annette Mantifel

Any titled officer or signing officer of the Corporation is authorized to certify to the Bank the names of those persons who are holders from time to time of the positions authorized as signing officers, and such certification, when received by the Bank, shall be binding on the Corporation.

Signing Office Requirements

Mayor or Deputy Mayor countersigned by CAO or Treasurer

Carried

Confirming By-law

Resolution #3

Moved by Karen Donovan

Seconded by Adam Driscoll

That By-law 1544/22 be read a first, second and third time and passed.

Carried

Adjournment

Resolution #4

Moved by Lisa Coutu

Seconded by James Carmody

That the meeting adjourn to the call of the Mayor.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Signature of the Mayor (Original Signed)

Signature of the Clerk (Original Signed)