



REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024 at 6:30 PM**  
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**Attendance:**

**Council:** Mayor Ryan Bignucolo  
Deputy Mayor Lisi Bernier  
Councillor Cathy Ansara  
Councillor Alex Lambruschini  
Councillor Paul Bernier

**Staff:** Judith Meyntz, CAO  
Réjean Raymond, Operations Director  
Sam St. Amand, Public Works Manager  
Carole Ouellette, Leisure & Cultural Service Manager

**Guests:** 6  
**Attendees:** 8

**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, December 16, 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 21-319:**  
**P. BERNIER – L. BERNIER**

**WHEREAS** the Members of Council have been presented with an Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, December 16, 2024;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda be adopted as amended:  
Add 1 Item In Camera – Legal Matter

Carried.

**3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Bignucolo requested that any pecuniary interest be declared for the record.

- Deputy Mayor L. Bernier declared Conflict of Interest with Business Item 7.7
- Councillor P. Bernier declared Conflict of Interest with Business Item 7.7

**4. RETIREMENT CELEBRATIONS**

- Patricia Demers
- Paul St. Denis

**5. FIRE DEPARTMENT YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS/MEDALS**

- Ken Groves                      Ontario Fire Fighter Long Service Award (Provincial)
- James Apsey                      Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal (Federal)
- Marc Turcotte                      Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal (Federal)
- Bryce Bertrand                      Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal (Federal)
- Chad Byce                      Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal (Federal)
- Kevin Gherbaz                      Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal (Federal)

**Clerk's Note:** A social celebration followed the awards ceremony and Council and Staff were able to congratulate the Retirees and the Award Winners.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION 21-320:**

**C. ANSARA – P. BERNIER**

**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, November 25, 2024
  - 6.1.2 Special Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 9, 2024

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, November 25, 2024 and the Special Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 9, 2024.

Carried.

**7. BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION: 21-321:**

**L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA**

- 7.1 CAO Report

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive the CAO’s Report dated December 16, 2024 for information;

**AND THAT** Council does support the challenges detailed in the Asset Management Plan 2025;

**AND FURTHERMORE, THAT** Council does hereby support the creation of a Reserve Policy and directs Staff to begin preparing the document for Council’s consideration at a future Council Meeting.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-322:**

**P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA**

7.2 Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board 2024 Third Quarter Activity Report

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board 2024 Third Quarter Activity Report for information.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-323:**

**L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI**

7.3 Handi Transit Pilot Project Report

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive the report from CAO Meyntz on the operations of the Handi Transit Bus Services;

**AND THAT** the Council does agree that there does not appear to be a need within the community for Seniors to ride the bus between 2:45 and 3:45 pm each day;

**AND FURTHERMORE, THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby direct staff to return to regular hours for the bus services.

<b>Type of Passenger</b>	<b>Time Period</b>	<b>Number of Riders per month</b>
Senior	2:45 pm to 3:45 pm	Sep 0 Oct 0 Nov 0
Adult	2:45 pm to 3:45 pm	Sep 14 Oct 16 Nov 13
Child	2:45 pm to 3:45 pm	Sep 0 Oct 0 Nov 0
Student	2:45 pm to 3:45 pm	Sep 17 Oct 22 Nov 13

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-324:**  
**C. ANSARA – P. BERNIER**

7.4 Water Tank Rehabilitation Proposal for Engineering Services

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the Water Tank Rehabilitation Proposal for Engineering Services in the amount of \$164,875.00;

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-325:**  
**L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI**

7.5 CIMCO Compressor Room Maintenance Agreement

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the CIMCO/Toromont Proposal for the Chapleau Recreation Centre four (4) year Service Agreement Quote No. PMC240059;

**AND THAT** the Agreement will cost \$15,487.50 every year from January 1, 2025 until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2028;

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-326:**  
**P. BERNIER – L. BERNIER**

7.6 Chapleau Pike Ice Fishing Derby Request

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau is pleased to acknowledge that the Chapleau General Hospital Foundation is undertaking the 27<sup>th</sup> Chapleau Pike Ice Fishing Derby for February 8, 2025;

**AND THAT** Council does hereby approve proclaiming February 8, 2025 as “Ice Fishing Derby Day” in Chapleau and will advertise the event through social media;

**AND FURTHERMORE**, Council will reserve the Council Chambers for February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at the regular two-day rate to hold the event.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-327:**  
**A. LAMBRUSCHINI – C. ANSARA**

7.7 Chapleau Figure Skating Club Ice Show Request

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the date for the Chapleau Figure Skating Club Ice Show on Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025;

**AND THAT** Council does allow the ice rental for the time of the event and there will be no charge for the decorating starting Saturday at 3:00 pm and undecorating time on Sunday to 4:00 pm before and after the show;

**AND FURTHERMORE, THAT** Council wishes the best for the Chapleau Figure Skating Club Ice Show event.

**Carried.**

Note : Deputy Mayor L. Bernier and Councillor P. Bernier both declared Conflict of Interest.

**RESOLUTION 21-328:**

**P. BERNIER – L. BERNIER**

7.8 RealTax Update Report from Treasurer

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive the Memorandum from Treasurer Les Jones on the Aged Accounts dated December 11, 2024.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-329:**

**C. ANSARA – A. LAMBRUSCHINI**

7.9 2025 Aviation Insurance

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the renewal of the 2025 Aviation Insurance at the rate of \$5,780.00 plus HST, which is the same rate as 2024.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-330:**

**L. BERNIER – P. BERNIER**

7.10 Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada Grant Response

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive the information from the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada Grant Response dated December 12, 2024;

**AND THAT** Council wishes to work with other organizations in our Region who may be successful in this endeavour.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-331:**

**C. ANSARA – P. BERNIER**

7.11 Revised Budget for the 2025 Carnival Event

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive the Memorandum from Leisure & Cultural Services Manager, Carole Ouellette for information;

**AND THAT** Council does hereby approve the increase of \$1,400.00 in budget for the 2025 Carnival to a Municipal Contribution of \$3,499.48.

**Carried.**

**8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: None**

**9. RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 21-332:**

**P. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI**

9.1 By-law 2024-43, Being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and CAO to execute fire protection agreements between the Corporation and various Homeowners.

**THAT** By-law Number 2024-43, Being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and CAO to execute fire protection agreements between the Corporation and various Homeowners be read a first and second time on this day 16<sup>th</sup> of December, 2024;

**AND FURTHER** be Read a third time, passed and properly signed and sealed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

**Carried.**

**RESOLUTION 21-333:**

**L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA**

9.2 By-law 2024-44, Being a by-law to authorize the use of Electronic Funds Transfer as a method of payment for goods and services.

**THAT** By-law Number 2024-44, Being a By-Law to authorize the use of Electronic Funds Transfer as a method of payment for goods and services be read a first and second time on this day 16<sup>th</sup> of December, 2024;

**AND FURTHER** be Read a third time, passed and properly signed and sealed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

**Carried.**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**RESOLUTION 21-334:**

**P. BERNIER – L. BERNIER**

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau receives the Correspondence from the December 16, 2024 Council Agenda with no items extracted for discussion.

**Carried.**

**11. IN CAMERA:**

**Adjourn to In Camera Session**

**RESOLUTION 21-335:**

**P. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI**

**THAT** the Corporation of the Council of the Township of Chapleau move into In Camera Session on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 7:12 p.m. for the following matters:

- 11.1 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, pursuant to *Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(b)*

**Reconvene to Regular Meeting**

**RESOLUTION 21-336:**

**C. ANSARA – P. BERNIER**

**THAT** this meeting be reconvened to a Regular Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

**Matters Arising from In Camera Session**

**RESOLUTION 21-337:**

**L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI**

- 11.1 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees pursuant to *Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(e)*

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Chapleau does approve the recommendation presented by CAO Meyntz in the legal matter as presented;

**AND THAT** Council directs CAO Meyntz to settle this matter.

**Carried.**

**12. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

**RESOLUTION 21-338:**

**C. ANSARA – P. BERNIER**

**THAT** By-law No. 2024-45, being a confirmatory by-law for the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, December 16, 2024 be given a First, Second, Third and final reading and is passed as of this date.

**Carried.**

13. **ADJOURNMENT**  
**RESOLUTION 21-339:**  
**C. ANSARA – L. BERNIER**

**WHEREAS** the business of the Meeting has concluded:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting be adjourned at 7:27 p.m. until the Regular Council meeting of Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. or the call of the Chair.

**Carried.**



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Ryan Bignucolo                      Mayor

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Judith Meyntz                      CAO