PROVINCE OF QUEBEC ARGENTEUIL COUNTY MRC DES PAYS D'EN-HAUT

MINUTES

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Municipal council of Morin-Heights, held at the Council Room, 567, Village, on Wednesday, August 14th, 2019 at which were present:

Councillor Jean Dutil
Councillor Leigh MacLeod
Councillor Louise Cossette
Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais
Councillor Claude P. Lemire
Councillor Peter MacLaurin

forming quorum under the chairmanship of Mayor Timothy Watchorn.

The Director general, Mr. Hugo Lépine is present.

At 19h30, the Mayor states quorum, and Council deliberates on the following dossiers;

250.08.19 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council adopt the agenda as presented by Director general.

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251.08.19 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SITTING OF JULY 10TH, 2019

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 10th, 2019 were given to Council members, by means of the electronic assembly file folder.

It is proposed by Councillor Jean Dutil And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of July 10th, 2019;

252.08.19 MINUTES OF CORRECTION OF RESOLUTION 169.05.19

Minutes of correction of resolution number 169.05.19 regarding the support for the « Résidences Morin-Heights» organization for phase 1 of the property destined to senior citizens in slight loss of autonomy;

In accordance to Article 202.1 C.M., the Director general an Secretary-treasurer, Mr. Hugo Lépine presents the municipal council with the minutes of correction of resolution 169-05-19 regarding an error pertaining to the company name of the mentioned organization which is clearly obvious while reading the documents which were submitted and presented to the municipal council.

NATURE OF THE CORRECTION

Correction of the name « Résidences Morin-Heights» for « Habitats Morin-Heights».

253.08.19 MINUTES OF CORRECTION OF BY-LAW 566-2018 – FEASIBILITY STUDY – LAC-PETER DAM

Minutes of correction of by-law 566-2018 – Feasibility study – Lac-Peter dam;

In accordance to Article 202.1 C.M., the Director general and Secretary-treasurer, Mr. Hugo Lépine presents the municipal council with the minutes of correction of the above-mentioned by-law regarding the rectification of article 3 in order to have the 4th paragraph withdrawn in order to eliminate any inconsistency between the provisions of this last article.

NATURE OF THE CORRECTION

Correction at page 2 of by-law 566-2018: Delete the 4th paragraph of Article 3

254.08.19 MINUTES OF PLANNNG ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JULY 23RD, 2019

The Director general presents the minutes of the latest town planning advisory committee meeting of July 23rd, 2019;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

THAT Council accept the minutes of the latest town planning advisory committee meeting of July 23rd, 2019 and make the pertinent recommendations.

255.08.19 MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor verbally presents his report regarding various dossiers;

256.08.19 DIRECTOR GENERAL'S MONTHLY REPORT

The Director general presents his monthly follow-up report as well as the report regarding the use of delegated power as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

257.08.19 REPORT REGARDING THE FOLLOW-UP OF DOSSIERS

The Director general presents his monthly activities report.

258.08.19 REPORT REGARDING THE USE OF DELEGATED POWER

In accordance to By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration, the Director general presents his report regarding the use of delegated power during the last month.

259.08.19 EXPENSE STATEMENT

The list of accounts payable and accounts paid during the month of July was given to Council members by means of the electronic assembly as well as the list of authorized expenses as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

Councillor Claude P. Lemire studied the dossiers.

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council approve the accounts as detailed on the lists presented.

Expense statements from July 1 st to 31 st , 2019				
Accounts to be paid	\$ 134 508,13			
Accounts paid in advance	\$ 270 313,83			
Total purchases	\$ 404 821,96			
Direct bank payments	\$ 20 940,61			
Sub-total – purchases and direct payments	\$ 425 762,57			
Net salaries	\$ 110 256,03			
GRAND TOTAL (to July 31st, 2019)	\$ 536 081,60			

Mayor Timothy Watchorn has denounced his employment with the company 9129-6558 Québec Inc. – known as David Riddell Excavation / Transport, has refrained from voting, left the premises during deliberations and has not taken part in the discussions regarding the dossier pertaining to the company.

The Mayor and the Director general are authorized to make the payments;

260.08.19 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Director general presents Council who acknowledges receipt of the statement of financial activities to July 31st, 2019.

A.M. 15.08.19 NOTICE OF THE MOTION AND PRESENTATION OF DRAFT BY-LAW (580-2019) WHICH MODIFIES BY-LAW (565-2018) REGARDING TAXES, TARIFFS, SERVICE COSTS AND COMPENSATIONS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2019

Notice of motion is given by councillor Claude P. Lemire that By-law (580-2019) which modifies By-law (565-2018) regarding taxes, tariffs, service costs and compensations for financial year 2019 will be presented at a future council meeting;

Draft by-law (580-2019) which modifies By-law (565-2018) regarding taxes, tariffs, service costs and compensations for financial year 2019 is presented to Council forthwith:

261.08.19 MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Director general presents council, who acknowledge receipt of, the monthly report for the month of July from the Director, Fire department and the list of authorized expenses for the month as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

262.08.19 SQ POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIVITY REPORT

The Police department's monthly report is presented to Council;

263.08.19 AGREEMENT TO COOPERATE WITH REGARDS TO MORBID UNCLEANLINESS WITH THE CISSS DES LAURENTIDES

CONSIDERING the Municipality intends on entering into a partnership agreement with CISSS des Laurentides aimed at improved concerted intervention benefits for those living in morbid uncleanliness situations;

WHEREAS THAT this agreement does not implicate any financial impact to the Municipality;

WHEREAS the draft agreement attached herewith forming an integral part hereof and the Director general's positive recommendation

It is proposed by Councillor Leigh MacLeod

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO APPROVE the draft partnership agreement regarding morbid uncleanliness with the CISSS des Laurentides;

TO AUTHORIZE the Mayor and Director general and they are hereby authorized, to sign, for and in the Municipality's name, said draft agreement;

264.08.19 REPORT REGARDING SAFETY AND SUPERVISION OF PARKS IN RESIDENTIAL QUARTERS

The Director general presents a report regarding safety and supervision of parks in residential quarters.

265.08.19 MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR, SERVICE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS

The Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of, the monthly report for the month of July from the Director, public works, the list of requests as well as the list of expenses authorized during the month of July 2019 as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

266.08.19 NEW NAME FOR THE PARK ON RANGE 5

WHEREAS the existence of a municipal park on government owned land in the area commonly known as 'secteur des Bouleaux';

CONSIDERING this park if officially named « Parc du 5ème rang »;

WHEREAS THAT this park is in fact designated as being « Parc des Bouleaux » on the official trail maps, on the MRC's publicity as well as its users;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO DECREE a modification to the park's official name in order for it to be hereinafter known as « parc des Bouleaux » ;

267.08.19 REPORT REGARDING PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt, of summary report regarding petitions and requests to August 12th, 2019;

268.08.19 CONTRACT – REPAIRS TO CULVERT – VILLAGE ROAD – BEAULIEU ROAD

Mayor Timothy Watchorn denounces his link of employment to the company 9129-6558 Québec Inc. – known as David Riddell Excavation/Transport.

CONSIDERING By-law (571-2019) regarding contractual management;

CONSIDERING the Policy regarding the Municipality's purchases;

CONSIDERING By-law (575-2019) regarding 2019 roadwork;

CONSIDERING THE Municipality's 2019-2020-2021 Triennal fixed-assets program;

WHEREAS the Public works department proceeded with price verifications from various entrepreneurs in the region;

CONSIDERING THE company David Riddell Excavation/Transport offers the best conditions to undertake the required work;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean Dutil

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO GRANT the contract to David Riddell Excavation/Transport (9129-6558 Québec Inc.) for an amount of \$ 19,710.00 plus taxes for the repairs to a culvert located at the intersection of Village and Beaulieu roads as per the terms of the proposal dated July 10th, 2019;

TO MANDATE the Director, Public works department to follow-up on the present resolution;

Mayor Timothy Watchorn withholds from voting and did not take part in the discussions regarding this dossier regarding this company. He then leaves the room and is replaced by the pro-mayor, Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais.

269.08.19 CONTRACT - REPAIRS TO CULVERT - LEDUC ROAD

Mayor Timothy Watchorn denounces his link of employment to the company 9129-6558 Québec Inc. – known as David Riddell Excavation/Transport.

CONSIDERING By-law (571-2019) regarding contractual management;

CONSIDERING the Policy regarding the Municipality's purchases;

CONSIDERING By-law (575-2019) regarding 2019 roadwork;

CONSIDERING THE Municipality's 2019-2020-2021 Triennal fixed-assets program;

WHEREAS the Public works department proceeded with price verifications from various entrepreneurs in the region;

CONSIDERING THE company David Riddell Excavation/Transport offers the best conditions to undertake the required work;

It is proposed by Councillor Peter MacLaurin

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO GRANT the contract to David Riddell Excavation/Transport (9129-6558 Québec Inc.) for an amount of \$ 10,510.00 plus taxes for the repairs to a culvert located on Leduc road as per the terms of the proposal dated July 10th, 2019;

TO MANDATE the Director, Public works department to follow-up on the present resolution;

Mayor Timothy Watchorn withholds from voting and did not take part in the discussions regarding this dossier regarding this company. He then leaves the room and is replaced by the pro-mayor, Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais.

270.08.19 CONTRACT – REPAIRS TO CULVERT – LAC-BOUCHETTE ROAD

Mayor Timothy Watchorn denounces his link of employment to the company 9129-6558 Québec Inc. – known as David Riddell Excavation/Transport.

CONSIDERING By-law (571-2019) regarding contractual management;

CONSIDERING the Policy regarding the Municipality's purchases;

CONSIDERING By-law (575-2019) regarding 2019 roadwork;

CONSIDERING THE Municipality's 2019-2020-2021 Triennal fixed-assets program;

WHEREAS the Public works department proceeded with price verifications from various entrepreneurs in the region;

CONSIDERING THE company David Riddell Excavation/Transport offers the best conditions to undertake the required work;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean Dutil

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO GRANT the contract to David Riddell Excavation/Transport (9129-6558 Québec Inc.) for an amount of \$ 16 900.00 plus taxes for the repairs to a culvert located on Lac-Bouchette road as per the terms of the proposal dated July 10th, 2019;

TO MANDATE the Director, Public works department to follow-up on the present resolution;

Mayor Timothy Watchorn withholds from voting and did not take part in the discussions regarding this dossier regarding this company. He then leaves the room and is replaced by the pro-mayor, Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais.

271.08.19 AUTHORIZATION FOR CALL FOR TENDERS BY INVITATION FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS the Finance and Administration department and Public works department have prepared, during the Spring of 2019, an evaluation of costs and an analysis regarding the costs of janitorial services for municipal buildings;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the recommendations of the concerned Directors regarding the fact that it would be beneficial to entrust the janitorial work to an outside company;

CONSIDERING By-law (571-2019) regarding contractual management;

CONSIDERING THE value of the projected contract is more than \$ 50,000 and less than \$ 101,000;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO AUTHORIZE the launching of a call for tenders by invitation as per the terms of the quote to be completed by the Directors of the Finance and Public works departments;

272.08.19 MONTHLY REPORT

The Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of, the monthly report for July 2019 from the Director of the Urbanism and Environment as well as the list of authorized expenses as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

273.08.19 REPORT REGARDING PERMITS AND CERTIFICATES

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt, of report regarding permits and certificates to August 12th, 2019.

274.08.19 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF BOLTON-EST REGARDING COMPENSATIONS

WHEREAS THAT some sections of the stream have been channeled towards ditches within older developments;

WHEREAS THAT since 2019, these practices of channeling some sections of streams into ditches are no longer authorized;

WHEREAS THAT many municipalities must deal with older developments in which sections of streams are channeled into ditches;

WHEREAS the definition of waterway applies throughout its course including, if necessary, the portion which serves as a ditch;

WHEREAS THAT the work in the ditch sections which channel waterways needs the Minister of the Environment and the Fight against Climate Change (MELCC)'s authorization as per the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (LCMVF) and the Environment quality Act (LQE);

WHEREAS THAT the roads' ditches including the portions considered as streams are often a source of erosion and contamination for lakes and hydric networks downstream;

WHEREAS THAT the older developments are many times roads that have minimal surface circulation;

WHEREAS that work in ditches in which section of waterways are often necessary to prevent contamination;

WHEREAS THAT the phytotechnology techniques are often non applicable due to the softening of slopes on banks with narrow the already minimal circulation surface;

WHEREAS THAT stabilization techniques are determined by an engineer as per the plans and quotes;

WHEREAS Art. 46.0.1 of Act 132 pertains to compensation measures in such cases where it is not possible, to complete a project, to bring ecological functions and to the biodiversity in wet and hydric areas;

WHEREAS THAT in the case of stabilization of the section of waterway channeled into road ditches, the mechanical stabilization does not undermine ecological functions but rather, improves them;

WHEREAS THAT the ecological functions are improved via the retention of sediments as well as the preservation of water quality, the regulation of nutrients, the retention of toxic products (micropollutants) as defined in the government's document titled 'Une nouvelle loi qui fait du Québec un premier de classe en matière de conservation des milieux humides et hydriques';

WHEREAS THAT the improvement of ecological functions, specifically the improvement of biological operating process is exempt from compensation as per Art. 5,2 of the 'Règlement sur la compensation pour l'atteinte aux milieux humides et hydriques';

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality of Bolton-Est has presented a request for an authorization certificate as per the LCMVF and the LQE to stabilize sections of waterways channeled in ditches to the benefit of lake Nick;

WHEREAS THAT the MELCC secured to this compensation project to the criteria analysis;

WHEREAS that many municipalities have been involved in this dossier as channeled waterways in ditches dossiers are frequent on municipalities' territories and their stabilization allows for the improvement of ecological services of hydric networks;

WHEREAS THAT in this particular case, the mechanical stabilization does not undermine ecological functions and the biodiversity of wet and hydric areas;

WHEREAS THAT the prefect of the MRC recommends that municipalities support these steps;

It is proposed by Councillor Peter MacLaurin

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO SUPPORT the Municipality of Bolton-Est in its request to exclude compensation;

275.08.19 ADOPTION – BY-LAW (570-2019) WHICH MODIFIES BY-LAW (416) REGARDING ZONING IN ORDER TO SPECIFY NORMS PERTAINING TO DOCKS

The Director general gives a summary of the by-law and informs Council about the adoption procedure.

It is proposed by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

THAT Council adopt By-law (570-2019) which modifies By-law (416) regarding zoning in order to specify norms pertaining to docks as follows:

Règlement 570-2019 Which modifies By-law (416) regarding zoning in order to specify norms pertaining to docks

(only in French)

A.M. 16.08.19

NOTICE OF MOTION – BY-LAW (576-2019) WHICH MODIFIES BY-LAW (416) REGARDING ZONING IN ORDER TO SPECIFY ZONES WHERE PRACTICES LINKED NOT LIMITED TO THE CULTIVATION, STORAGE OR TRANSPORMATION OF CANNABIS ARE SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED OR PROHIBITED

Notice of motion is given by councillor Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais that Bylaw (576-2019) which modifies By-law (416) regarding zoning in order to specify zones where practices linked not limited to the cultivation, storage or transformation of cannabis are specifically authorized or prohibited will be presented at a future council meeting;

Draft by-law (576-2019) which modifies By-law (416) regarding zoning in order to specify zones where practices linked not limited to the cultivation, storage or transformation of cannabis are specifically authorized or prohibited is presented to Council forthwith;

276.08.19 REQUEST FOR THE MUNICIPALITY'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE QUEBEC GOVERNMENT'S DECREE 817-2019

WHEREAS THAT last July 12th, the Quebec Government adopted decree 817-2019;

WHEREAS THAT this decree pertained to certain portions of the Municipality's territory with considerable unjustified impacts;

CONSIDERING THAT the Municipality has not reported any flooding incidents in 2017 or 2019:

CONSIDERING the portions of the territory mentioned in said decree have ultimately been withdrawn by the Minister of municipal affairs pursuant to the Municipality's representations but that it is still part of the list of municipalities part of decree 817-2019;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality must be completely withdrawn from the decree's list in order to have the application removed from the Municipality's territory;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipalities that would like to be removed from said decree have until August 19th, 2019 to request the withdrawal from the application list;

WHEREAS THAT there is no justification or motive to support the Municipality's inclusion to the special intervention zone stipulated in decree 817-2019:

It is proposed by Councillor Leigh MacLeod

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO REQUEST the Municipality's withdrawal from the application list of the Quebec government's decree 817-2019 adopted on July 12th, 2019;

TO AUTHORIZE the Director general to sign any document for the follow-up, for and in the Municipality's name.

277.08.19 MINOR EXEMPTION – 444, VILLAGE ROAD

- The president of the assembly opens the consultation meeting regarding the minor derogation at 20h05;
- The president of the assembly invites the Director general to read the proposal and explain the requested derogation;
- The president of the assembly invites anyone interested who were duly convened to this meeting by public notice dated July 25th, 2019 be heard in this dossier. The meeting ends at 20h07;

CONSIDERING a request for minor exemption to Zoning by-law 416 aimed at increasing the encroachment into the waterway setback (Rivière à Simon) as well as within the shoreline, from 1,5m to 6,41m (13,59 instead of 18,5m) for the new gallery only for the property located at 444, Village, lot 3 736 541, was submitted and presented;

CONSIDERING the urbanism regulation minor derogations by-law (459);

WHEREAS the Planning advisory committee studied the request and recommends Council's approval of the derogation request;

WHEREAS a public notice was given in conformity to the law;

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

THAT Council approve the requested exemption, specifically to increase increasing the encroachment into the waterway setback (Rivière à Simon) as well as within the shoreline, from 1,5m to 6,41m (13,59 instead of 18,5m) for the new gallery only as shown on the draft development plan prepared by surveyor Paul-André Régimbald, minute 8049;

278.08.19 PIIA – 43, LAC-ÉCHO ROAD

Considering that the request presented by the owners of the property located at 43, chemin Lac-Écho, within zone 39, was submitted to the site planning and architectural integration program, for approval;

Considering that the submitted proposal presented by the owner to proceed with the replacement/addition of windows as well as the exterior siding of the small commercial building bordering Rivière à Simon as per the PIIA by-laws; Considering that the town planning advisory committee studied the proposal and recommends its approval to Council;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council authorize the issuance of the construction permit for the property located at 43, chemin du Lac-Écho on lot 3 206 469, as per the submitted plans and quotes;

279.08.19 REQUEST TO THE FEDERAL HEALTH MINISTRY – PERMIT FOR THE PRODUCTION OF CANNABIS FOR MEDICAL USE

WHEREAS the Cannabis Act and its regulations allow for the federal health ministry to grant registration certificates for the production of cannabis for medical use for personal consumption;

WHEREAS THAT Health Canada authorizes a maximum of four (4) holders of a registration certificate to produce cannabis for medical use, at the same address, which may represent a considerable number of plants;

WHEREAS THAT Health Canada does not impose any particular requirement regarding the quantity of plants authorized per certificate;

WHEREAS THAT Health Canada issues certificates without taking municipal urbanism regulations into account and without beforehand, consulting with the concerned municipality;

WHEREAS THAT the production of cannabis requires large quantities of water, electricity and that it generates much humidity and foul-smelling odors;

WHEREAS THAT large scale cultivation within an inadequate building which is not designed and built for this purpose, contributes to increased nuisances and risks pertaining to safety and health and results in the building's deterioration and consequently, a loss in real estate value;

WHEREAS THAT there is presently no mechanism in place to inform the municipalities and police departments which serve them, of the issuance of registration certificates for the production of cannabis for medical use on their territory;

WHEREAS THAT municipalities are made aware of existing production locations pursuant to complaints made by the public, requiring them to investigate and take action in cases of infringement to regulations along with the costs associated with the presence of such production entails concern and insecurity within the neighborhood;

WHEREAS THAT as of this date, the Federal health ministry has shown little willingness to cooperate with municipalities and police departments with regards to the forwarding of necessary information for investigations;

WHEREAS THAT this year's judicial interventions and dossiers have shown that the process of reviewing requests for registration certificates by the Federal health ministry must be strengthened in order to not bypass the objectives of these Laws and regulations;

It is proposed by Councillor Leigh MacLeod

IT IS RESOLVED:

TO REQUEST that the Federal health ministry review, as soon as possible, the process of reviewing requests for registration certificates for the production of cannabis for medical use for personal consumption in order to secure its issuance to beforehand obtain a certificate of compliance as per municipal regulation;

TO REQUEST that the Federal ministry of health provide a copy of all registration certificates which have already been issued throughout its territory and that future requests be forwarded to the Municipality;

TO REQUEST that the Federal ministry of health review, as soon as possible, the criteria for the granting of registration certificates in order for the Law and its regulation not be diverted ill-advisedly;

TO REQUEST that the Federal ministry of health consider municipalities and police departments as preferred partners within the processing of registration certificate requests and the forwarding of information;

THAT the present resolution be forwarded to:

The Prime minister of Canada

The Premier of Quebec

The Department of Justice Canada

The Department of Justice Quebec

The Canada health minister

The Federal deputy of Argenteuil county

The Provincial deputy of Argenteuil county

The Union des municipalités du Québec

The Fédération québécoise du Québec

The Fédération canadienne des municipalités

The MRC and towns of the MRC

A.M. 17.08.19

NOTICE OF MOTION – BY-LAW (581-2019) WHICH MODIFIES BY-LAW (416) REGARDING ZONING IN ORDER TO MOVE LOTS 3 735 213, 3 735 217 AND 3 735 206 WITHIN ZONE 13 AND CONSEQUENTLY, MODIFY THE LIMITS OF ZONES 10 AND 13

Notice of motion is given by Councillor Louise Cossette that By-law (581-2019) which modifies By-law (416) regarding zoning in order to move lots 3 735 213, 3 735 217 et 3 735 206 within zone 13 and consequently, modify the limits of zones 10 and 13 will be presented at a future council meeting;

Draft by-law (581-2019) which modifies By-law (416) regarding zoning in order to move lots 3 735 213, 3 735 217 and 3 735 206 within zone 13 and consequently, modify the limits of zones 10 and 13 is presented to Council forthwith;

A.M. 18.08.19

NOTICE OF MOTION – BY-LAW (582-2019) WHICH MODIFIES BY-LAW (415) REGARDING THE URBANISM PLAN IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE INTEGRATION OF LOTS 3 735 213, 3 735 217 AND 3 735 206 WITH THE ALLOCATED RESIDENTIAL AND RESORT ZONES AND MODIFY ITS LIMITS AND CONSEQUENTLY, THE RECREATIONAL ALLOCATED ZONE

Notice of motion is given by Councillor Louise Cossette that By-law (582-2019) which modifies By-law (415) regarding the Urbanism plan in order to allow the integration of lots 3 735 213, 3 735 217 and 3 735 206 with the allocated residential and resort zones and modify its limits and consequently, the recreational allocated zone will be presented at a future council meeting;

Draft by-law (582-2019) which modifies By-law (415) regarding the Urbanism plan in order to allow the integration of lots 3 735 213, 3 735 217 and 3 735 206 with the allocated residential and resort zones and modify its limits and consequently, the recreational allocated zone is presented to Council forthwith;

280.08.19 MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Director presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of her report as well as the lists of authorized expenses during the month of July 2019 as per Bylaw (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

281.08.19 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MUNICIPALITY AND ARTS MORIN-HEIGHTS

CONSIDERING THAT for more than 20 years, Arts Morin-Heights has been holding an annual exhibition as well as various activities in the Municipality's premises;

CONSIDERING THAT the Municipality and Arts Morin-Heights would like to clarify in writing, the partnership terms established over many years and that it would like it to be continued;

WHEREAS the draft agreement submitted to council members;

CONSIDERING the Director, Recreation, culture and community life's recommendation;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO APPROVE the draft agreement submitted to Council;

TO AUTHORIZE the Mayor and Director general to sign, for and in the Municipality's name, the partnership agreement between the Municipality and the Arts Morin-Heights organization;

282.08.19 SALARY RECLASSIFICATION FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR, RECREATION, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY LIFE

CONSIDERING the policy regarding remuneration for management personnel;

CONSIDERING the Director general's decision and its analysis;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the budgetary availability for 2019;

WHEREAS THAT corrections are necessary and would be appreciated for pay equity;

It is proposed by Councillor Claude Lemire

IT IS RESOLVED:

THAT the preamble and the Director general's executive summary form an integral part hereof;

TO AUTHORIZE a modification to the Policy regarding remuneration for management personnel in order for the position of Director, Recreation, culture and community life be, retroactive to April 1st, 2019, considered class 3 as all other managers of the Municipality;

TO MANDATE AND AUTHORIZE the Director general to follow-up;

283.08.19 HALLOWEEN 2019

Considering the request for resolution prepared by the Director of Recreation, culture and community life dated July 17st, 2019;

Considering that Council intends on closing Village road in order for the youth to celebrate Halloween;

It is proposed by Councillor Leigh MacLeod And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council ask the Quebec Minister of transport for the authorization to close Village road between 4:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on October 31st, 2019.

That Council ask for the Sûreté du Québec's assistance in order to close Village road between Watchorn road and Route 364 and ensure the children's safety during the Halloween festivities.

That the Director general be authorized to hire flagmen to ensure safety, if necessary.

QUESTION PERIOD

Council answers questions asked by the public.

284.08.19 END OF THE MEETING

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire that the meeting end at 20h55.

I have approved each and every resolution in these minutes

Timothy Watchorn Hugo Lépine
Mayor Director general / Secretary-treasurer

Twenty-eight people attended the meeting.