

Municipality of Morin-Heights

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

MINUTES

In case of discrepancy, the French version prevails over the English translation.

Minutes of the regular session of the Municipal council of Morin-Heights, held at the Community Room, 567, Village, on Wednesday, September 10th, 2014 at which were present:

Councillor Mona Wood
Councillor Leigh MacLeod
Councillor Jean Dutil
Councillor Claude P. Lemire
Councillor Peter Macaurin
Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais

forming quorum under the chairmanship of Mayor Timothy Watchorn.

The Director general, Yves Desmarais, is present.

At 7:30 p.m., the Mayor states quorum, welcomes the public and Council deliberates on the following dossiers.

172.09.14 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It is proposed by councillor Mona Wood
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council adopt the agenda as presented by Director general with the addition of 9.1.2 - publications and magazines.

3		ADMINISTRATION
3	1	Approval of the minutes
3	1	2
3	2	Finances
3	2	1 Expense statement
3	2	2 Statement of financial activities to August 31st, 2014
3	3	Correspondence
3	3	1 Correspondence received
3	3	2 Correspondence sent
3	4	Personnel
3	4	1
3	5	Resolution
3	5	1 2014-2015 Municipal insurance renewal
3	5	2 Agreement with Notre-Dame-des-Monts Parish
3	6	Regulations
3	6	1
4		PUBLIC SAFETY
4	1	1 Monthly report from the Director
4	1	2 SQ activity report
4	2	Personnel
4	2	1
4	3	Resolution
4	3	1

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4	4	Regulations
4	4	1
5		PUBLIC WORKS
5	1	Monthly report from the Director
5	2	Personnel
5	2	1
5	3	Resolution
5	3	1 Lot 3 735 961 - projected road Mont-Plaisant
5	3	2 Request for paving - Bob Seale road
5	3	3 Sale of truck
5	4	Regulations
5	4	1
6		ENVIRONMENT & PARKS
6	1	Monthly report from the Director
6	1	2
6	2	Personnel
6	2	1
6	3	Resolution
6	3	1
6	4	Regulations
6	4	1
7		URBANISM AND LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
7	1	Monthly report from the Director
7	1	2
7	2	Personnel
7	2	1
7	3	Resolution
7	3	1
7	4	Règlementation
7	4	1 Consultation meeting regarding draft by-law 516-2014 which modifies zoning by-law 416 and parcelling by-law 417 regarding development norms as well as parcelling norms within zone 31
7	4	2 Adoption of 2nd draft by-law 516-2014 which modifies zoning by-law 416 and parcelling by-law 417 regarding development norms as well as parcelling norms within zone 31
8		RECREATION DEPARTMENT
8	1	1 Monthly report from the Director
8	1	2
8	2	Personnel
8	2	1
8	3	Resolution
8	3	1 Cultural days proclamation
8	3	2 Approval - Activities program
8	3	3 Candidacy - Quebec Games - Winter 2017
9		New Business
9	1	1 Congratulations to the IGA team for the fundraiser
10		Question period
11		End of the meeting

173.09.14 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 13th, 2014 was given to members of Council, by means of the electronic assembly file folder.

It is proposed by councillor Peter MacLaurin
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That Council adopt the minutes of the regular council meeting of August 13th, 2014.

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174.09.14 EXPENSE STATEMENT

The lists of accounts payable and accounts paid during the month of August 2014 was given to Council members by means of the electronic assembly as well as the list of authorized expenses as per the delegation of competency by-law 351.

Council members acknowledge having received the requested clarifications at the time of the caucus meeting.

Councillor Claude P. Lemire has verified the list and recommend that Council approve the accounts.

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

Expense statements August 1st to 31st, 2014	
Accounts to be paid	318 785,22 \$
Accounts paid in advance	357 644,89 \$
Total purchases	676 430,11 \$
Direct bank payments for the month	366,87 \$
Total expenses	676 796,98 \$
Net salaries	143 922,12 \$
GRAND TOTAL (July 2014)	820 719,10 \$

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

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

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

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES TO AUGUST 31st, 2014

The Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of the statement of financial activities to August 31st, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Director general reviews the correspondence for the month of August 2014.

Council acknowledge receipt of the letters presented to its members by means of the electronic assembly. The Director General will take action and follow up if necessary.

Correspondence received

- 1 RIDR: news release - hours extension
- 2 MRC des Pays-d'en-Haut: mapping distribution
- 3 Article: cats - birds
- 4 Info Fleurons: August 2014 bulletin
- 5 Y. St-Denis: support for handicapped
- 6 MRC des Pays-d'en-Haut: By-law 290-2014
- 7 Conseil de la culture des Laurentides: invitaton
- 8 CAPTCHPL: request for donation
- 9 MTQ: request for tenders - Lac Echo road
- 10 A. Brox: APDB - follow-up

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- 11 MAMOT: gasoline tax program
- 12 Soupe populaire: invitation
- 13 Mun. of Saint-Adolphe d'Howard: high tension line project
- 14 Agence de la santé et des services sociaux des Laurentides: posters - west Nile virus
- 15 City of Granby: invitation
- 16 Laurentian municipalities: group choice
- 17 Réseau Biblio: Le trait d'union bulletin
- 18 CLD: Pays-d'en-Haut economic bulletin

Correspondence sent

- A J. Choquette: 44, Grand Orme
- B M. Régnier: Jackson river
- C S. Parent: complaint, Jackson road
- D CIMA: request for reimbursement
- E M. Lackman: donation
- F E. Watchorn: donation
- G P. Rose: Vivaldi road
- H Survey: Old Settlers road
- I Simard suspension Inc.: Sterling truck
- J Y. St-Denis: grant request
- K Survey: Voce road
- L Mme Tremblay – information By-law 515-2014
- M Duroking Construction - 784, Village

175.09.14 2014-2015 MUNICIPAL INSURANCE RENEWAL

Considering the Municipality is a member of the Mutuelle des municipalités du Québec;

Considering the renewal offer and the comparative report presented by the Director general;

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

That council renew the municipal insurance portfolio for the amount of \$ 69,295, taxes included, as per the proposal presented by the MMQ.

That the Director general be authorized to make the pertinent payment.

176.09.14 AGREEMENT WITH NOTRE-DAME-DES-MONTS PARISH

Considering, last year, the Municipality signed an agreement for the use of the facilities at St-Eugene Parish, located at 148, Watchorn road;

Considering the agreement pertaining to the use of the property for the municipal skating rinks expires this year;

Considering it is in the benefit of both parties to renewed the agreement for an other year

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

That Council accept the terms of the agreement submitted by the Fabrique de la Paroisse Notre Dame des Monts for the use of the facilities for 2014-2015 at the church as well as the property for the skating rinks attached hereof.

That Council approve the annual rent of \$ 37,200 and authorize the Director general to sign the agreement, do the monthly payments and to do what is necessary in this dossier.

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MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt of the monthly report for the month of August 2014 from the Director, public safety and first responders department.

SQ ACTIVITY REPORT

The Director general presents council, who acknowledge receipt, of the Sûreté du Québec's report for August 2014.

MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR, SERVICE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt of the monthly report as well as the list of daily calls for the month of August from the Director, public works department, the list of expenses authorized during the month as per the delegation of competency, by-law 351.

177.09.14 LOT 3 735 961 - PROJECTED ROAD MONT-PLAISANT

Considering the request presented by the owner of the lots located at the extremity of the projected road on lot 3 735 961 with regards to the Municipality building the road and that the costs be paid for with a borrowing by-law for concerned properties;

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

That Council authorize the Director general to prepare the cost estimates and the required borrowing by-law.

178.09.14 REQUEST FOR PAVING - BOB SEALE ROAD

Considering the Municipality has received a petition signed by some residents of Bob-Seale road regarding paving of their road;

Considering 20 residents have asked that Bob-Seale road be paved in the near future;

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

That council authorize the Director general to prepare the cost estimates along with a survey for property owners and the establishment of a borrowing by-law.

That the Municipality's participation to this project be established at 20% of costs.

179.09.14 SALE OF TRUCK

Considering that the Municipality intends to sell a 2000 10-wheeler Volvo truck, which has become obsolete and for which the registration will expire in November;

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That Council has received two offers:

1. David Riddell excavation / transport
\$ 14,500, plus taxes
2. M. Carl Ladouceur
\$ 13,000, plus taxes

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

That Council accept the offer from David Riddell excavation / transport for the amount of \$ 14,500, plus taxes.

That this sale is under the condition that the buyer declares having seen the vehicle and accepts it without any guarantee.

That the Director general be authorized to sign the documents for the transfer of property

Mayor Timothy Watchorn has denounced his employment at 9129-6558 Québec Inc. – known as David Riddell Excavation / Transport and has left the area where the deliberations are being held and therefore has not participated in the discussions regarding the dossier pertaining to this business.

MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR, SERVICE DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT ET DES PARCS

The Director general presents to Council, who acknowledge receipt of the monthly report, the weekly debit report prepared by the Director, service de l'environnement et des parcs.

URBANISM AND LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt of monthly report for August 2014 from the Director of the Urbanism department.

CONSULTATION MEETING REGARDING DRAFT BY-LAW 516 -2014 WHICH MODIFIED ZONING BY-LAW 416 AND PARCELLING BY-LAW 417 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT NORMS AS WELL AS PARCELLING NORMS WITHIN ZONE 31

Considering a public notice inviting citizens to a consultation meeting on draft by-law 516-2014 which modified zoning by-law 416 and parcelling by-law 417 regarding development norms regarding development norms as well as Parcelling norms within zone 31 was published in the September 3rd, 2014 edition of Journal des Pays-d'en-Haut / Lavallée as well as at the locations stipulated by Council;

Mr. Mayor opens the consultation meeting on the by-law and invites the Director general to give a summary of the draft by-law.

Moreover, a schedule for the adoption procedure was presented to the public who is also informed that this by-law include provision which is open to an approval by referendum.

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The Mayor gives anyone interested a chance to be heard and Council takes note of their comments.

One question was asked pertaining to the lot's surface area.

The Mayor closes the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

180.09.14 ADOPTION OF 2nd DRAFT BY-LAW 516-2014 WHICH MODIFIES ZONING BY-LAW 416 AND PARCELLING BY-LAW 417 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT NORMS AS WELL AS PARCELLING NORMS WITHIN ZONE 31

Council members declare having received copy of the by-law 48 hours before the Council meeting, therefore, the members having declared reading the document, the Director general is exempt from its reading and gives a summary.

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

That the 2nd draft by-law 516-2014 be adopted as follows:

2nd DRAFT BY-LAW 516-2014
WHICH MODIFIES ZONING BY-LAW 416 AND PARCELLING BY-LAW
417 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT NORMS AS WELL AS PARCELLING
NORMS WITHIN ZONE 31

(only available in French)

MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE DIRECTOR, SERVICE DES LOISIRS ET DE LA CULTURE

The Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt, of the monthly report for the month of August 2014 from the Director, Recreation and culture department along with the list of expenses.

181.09.14 CULTURAL DAYS PROCLAMATION

Whereas culture constitutes one of the main identity factors for the Municipality of Morin-Heights and for the quality of life of its citizens;

Whereas culture is an integral element for the development of individuals and society;

Whereas culture is firstly born and spreads from local territories;

Whereas the Municipality of Morin-Heights supports initiatives that include its citizens active participation in cultural life;

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

That Council authorize the Journée de la culture organizers to close Village road between Watchorn and Baker roads on Saturday, September 27th, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in order to install a tent on the road to allow for free circulation within the Village core for the day's activities.

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182.09.14 APPROVAL - ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

Considering the Municipality organizes Fall activities and must obtain Council's authorization in order to hold the following events;

- Wednesday, September 24th
50+ outing - Wine tasting cruise
\$ 700
- Friday, October 31st
Halloween
\$ 500
- Saturday, November 15th
Volunteer party
\$ 5,000

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

That Council authorize the Fall activities program.

183.09.14 CANDIDACY - QUEBEC GAMES - WINTER 2017

Considering Cegep de Saint-Jérôme and the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord are preferred partners in the games' organization;

Considering the Quebec games' finals are a unique occasion to gather the population around a common project and build on the citizen's pride;

Considering the positive impact that Quebec games' finals would bring, socially, culturally, economically and to community life and tourism;

Considering this event would emphasize culture in the Laurentians, its heritage, institutions along with its artists;

Considering the Quebec games' finals contribute to the promotion of the sport and physical activity within the population;

Considering the Quebec games are an inspiring event for the Laurentians' youth as much for their participation as athlete as well as volunteer;

Considering this partnership and mutual assistance are the main purpose of these games;

Considering the ability of the cities of Saint-Jérôme and Mirabel, in cooperation of the Commission scolaire Rivière-du-Nord, Cegep Saint-Jérôme and their partners, to present such an event;

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

That Council support the candidacies of the cities of Saint-Jérôme and Mirabel to obtain the finals of the Quebec games, 2017 winter.

184.09.14 THANKS TO MORIN-HEIGHTS BUSINESSES

It is unanimously resolved that Council congratulate the IGA team for having raised funds which allowed for the purchase of two additional defibrillators.

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185.09.14 PUBLICATIONS AND MAGAZINES

Considering the increasing volume of publications and magazines that are sent to the municipality by municipal associations and other organizations;

Considering information included in these publications are usually available on the internet;

Considering Council believes that organizations working within the municipal environment should be more preoccupied with the environment and promote paper-free communications;

Considering publishing and mailing costs during these budgetary restructuring period;

It is proposed by councillor Peter MacLaurin
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

That council ask the FQM as well as organizations working within the municipal environment in order to reduce the number of publications in this digital era.

That council invite the associations to encourage and support paper-free communication.

That the Minister of municipal affairs and land occupancy and the council of the MRC des Pays-d'en-Haut be invited to participate in this reflection.

QUESTION PERIOD

Council answers questions asked by the public.

186.09.14 END OF THE MEETING

It is proposed by councillor Claude P. Lemire that the meeting end at 8:35 p.m.

*I have approved each and every
resolution in these minutes*

Timothy Watchorn
Mayor

Yves Desmarais
Director general

Thirty-four people attended the meeting.