

Minutes of the regular council sitting of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington held at the Lost River community center located at 2811, route 327 on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 7:06 p.m.

Present and forming a quorum under the chairmanship of the Acting Mayor Richard Francoeur, councillors Chantal Scapino, Julie James, Daniel St-Onge, Robert Dewar and Gerry Clark.

The assistant director general Mr. Mathieu Dessureault is present.

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### **1. Opening of the sitting**

Acting Mayor Richard Francoeur welcomes everyone. The quorum being established, the acting mayor declares the regular sitting open at 7:00 p.m. and adds that the recording of the sitting is in progress.

2023-01-R001

### **2. Adoption of the agenda**

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

And carried that the agenda be adopted as presented.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **3. Points of information of the acting Mayor**

Acting Mayor Richard Francoeur, informs those present about certain files and the activities in which he participated during the month of December 2022.

### **4. Points of information of the councillors**

Councillors inform those present about certain files and the activities in which they participated during the month of December 2022.

### **5. Question period**

The acting mayor answers the questions addressed to him by the citizens present at the sitting.

## **6. Approval of minutes**

2023-01-R002

### **6.1 Regular sitting of December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**TAKING NOTICE** that a copy of the minutes was given to each member of the municipal council;

**CONSEQUENTLY,**

It is moved by councillor Daniel St-Onge

And carried to adopt the minutes of the regular sitting of the municipal council held on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

2023-01-R003

### **6.2 Extraordinary sitting of December 19<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**TAKING NOTICE** that a copy of the minutes was given to each member of the municipal council;

**CONSEQUENTLY,**

It is moved by councillor Robert Dewar

And carried to adopt the minutes of the extraordinary sitting of the municipal council held on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **7. Notice of motion and by-law**

### **7.1 Notice of motion – By-law 297-2023 concerning demolition of buildings**

**WHEREAS** with article 445 of the *Municipal Code of Quebec*, councillor Julie James gives notice of motion for the presentation, at a future council meeting, of a by-law concerning demolition of buildings

**WHEREAS** with article 445 of the Municipal Code of Quebec, the person in charge of access to documents of the Municipality will deliver a copy of the draft by-law to any person who requests it within two (2) calendar days preceding the holding of the session at which it will be adopted;

Draft by-law #297-2022 concerning demolition of buildings is presented by councillor Julie James to the citizens present.

### **7.2 Filing – By-law project #297-2023 concerning demolition of buildings**

By-law project # 297-2023 concerning demolition of buildings has been filed.

2023-01-R004

### **7.3 Adoption - By-law project #297-2023 concerning demolition of buildings**

**WHEREAS** under sections 148.0.2 and following of the Act respecting land use planning and development (RSQ, c. A-19.1), a municipality must adopt a by-law on the demolition of buildings;

**WHEREAS** by-law 192-2012 on permits and certificates is in force on the territory of the municipality of Harrington and requires a demolition certificate before proceeding;

**WHEREAS** a by-law on the demolition of buildings may prove useful to urban planning regulations for the protection of built heritage and the reuse of cleared soil;

**WHEREAS** the municipal council wants to allow citizens to be heard regarding demolition requests affecting the built heritage of the municipality;

**WHEREAS** the notice of motion for this by-law was given at the regular meeting of January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### **CONSEQUENTLY,**

It is moved by councillor Julie James

And carried that council adopt by-law project #297-2023 regarding demolition of buildings.

#### **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **DRAFT BY-LAW # 297-2023 CONCERNING DEMOLITION OF BUILDINGS**

**WHEREAS** under sections 148.0.2 and following of the Act respecting land use planning and development (RSQ, c. A-19.1), a municipality must adopt a by-law on the demolition of buildings;

**WHEREAS** by-law 192-2012 on permits and certificates is in effect on the territory of the municipality of Harrington and requires a demolition certificate before proceeding;

**WHEREAS** a by-law on the demolition of buildings may prove useful to urban planning regulations for the protection of built heritage and the reuse of cleared soil;

**WHEREAS** the municipal council wants to allow citizens to be heard regarding demolition requests affecting the built heritage of the municipality;

**WHEREAS** the notice of motion for this by-law was given at the regular sitting of January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### **1.1 Title of the settlement**

This by-law bears the title “By-law relating to the demolition of buildings” and number 297-2023.

### **1.2 Repeal**

This by-law repeals any inconsistent provision of another by-law.

### **1.3 Purpose of the rules**

This by-law, the provisions of which are binding on natural persons as well as legal persons under public or private law, applies to the entire territory of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington.

### **1.4 Adoption part by part**

The Municipal Council of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington hereby declares that it adopts this by-law chapter by chapter, section by section and article by article, paragraph by paragraph so that if a part of this by-law were to be declared null and void by a court, such a decision would have no effect on the other parts of the by-law except in the event that the meaning and scope of the by-law or one of its provisions differs are altered or modified.

### **Administrative arrangements**

#### **1.5 Administration and application of the rules**

The administration and application of this by-law are entrusted to the director of the urban planning department as well as to any other person appointed as a “designated official” by resolution of the municipal council.

#### **1.6 Designated official**

The official(s) designated in article 2.1 is identified in this by-law as being the “designated official”.

#### **1.7 Powers of the Designated Officer**

The powers of the designated officer are set out in by-law 98-91.

Interpretative provisions

#### **1.8 Interpretation of Provisions**

a) In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the zoning by-law, subdivision by-law, building by-law or administrative by-law and this by-law, the most restrictive provision applies;

b) Unless the context indicates otherwise, it is agreed that:

- the singular includes the plural and vice versa;

- the use of the word “MUST” implies absolute obligation;
- the use of the word “MAY” retains an optional meaning;
- the word “ANYONE” includes any natural or legal person.

## **1.9 Terminology**

Unless otherwise expressly indicated or unless the context indicates a different meaning, the words mean:

“Committee”: Committee established under section 148.0.3 of the Act respecting land use planning and development;

“Council”: Municipal Council of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington;

“Demolition”: Dismantling, moving or complete or partial destruction of a building;

“Housing”: Housing within the meaning of the *Act respecting the Administrative Housing Tribunal* (CQLR, chapter R-8.1).

“Heritage building”: A building listed in accordance with the Cultural Heritage Act (CQLR, chapter P-9.002), a building located in a heritage site listed in accordance with this same law, a building covered by the *Act respecting historical sites and monuments of Canada* (LRC (1985), chapter H-4) or an immovable listed in an inventory of immovables presenting a heritage value

“Dwelling”: A dwelling within the meaning of the *Act respecting the Administrative Housing Tribunal* (RLQ, c. T-15.01)

“Clear ground”: The space freed up by the demolition of a building. This is strictly the ground where it was erected.

Transitional provisions

## **1.10 Notification to the Minister of Culture and Communications**

The designated official must, at least 90 days before the issue of a certificate of authorization for the demolition of a building constructed before 1940, notify the Minister of Culture and Communications of a notice of his intention, accompanied by any information or document required by the Minister, as long as the following conditions are not met:

a) A by-law in accordance with the provisions of Chapter V.0.1 of Title I of the *Act respecting land use planning and development* (CQLR, c. A-19.1) is in force on the territory of the Municipality;

b) The inventory provided for in the first paragraph of section 120 of the *Cultural Heritage Act*

## **2 Demolition Committee**

### **Role of the committee**

The demolition committee has the obligation to render a decision on demolition requests according to the powers mentioned in this by-law.

## **Composition of the committee**

The council must set up a committee whose functions are to authorize demolition applications and to exercise any other power conferred on it by this chapter.

This committee is made up of three council members appointed for one year by the board. Their mandate is renewable.

## **Mandate of committee members**

The mandate of a member ceases or is temporarily interrupted in the following cases:

- (a) If he ceases to be a member of the council;
- (b) If he has a direct or indirect personal interest in a matter referred to the committee;
- c) If he is prevented from acting.

In these cases, the council appoints a member for the unexpired period of the mandate of his predecessor or for the duration of his impediment or for the duration of the hearing of the case in which he has an interest, as the case may be.

The Chairman is appointed by the council from among the committee members it appoints. He chairs the meetings.

The Clerk acts as secretary to the committee. He prepares the agenda, receives correspondence, takes the minutes of each meeting and follows up on the decisions of the committee.

## **Decisions**

The quorum of the committee is two members.

Decisions are taken by majority vote. Each member has one vote and cannot abstain.

## **Meetings**

The committee meets as needed, when one or more compliant authorization requests, including the payment of the fees required for the study and processing of the said request, are submitted to the municipality.

## **3 Application for demolition authorization**

### **3.1 Subject buildings**

All demolition work on a building is prohibited unless the owner of the building has previously obtained authorization in accordance with these regulations.

### **3.2 Exceptions**

Notwithstanding article 1.1 of this section, the by-law does not apply to the demolition of the following buildings:

- a) A mobile home;

- b) A building that poses a danger to public safety;
- c) Work aimed at demolishing or finalizing the demolition of a building destroyed or damaged by fire, flood, explosion, or any other natural cause. The damage must represent more than 50% of the components of the building structure and make any repair impossible. This damage and the impossibility of repairing it must be detailed in a report produced by a member in good standing of a professional order and sent to the designated official.

### **3.3 Duty**

Anyone wishing to demolish a main building must first obtain authorization from the demolition committee.

### **3.4 Submission of the application**

Any request for demolition must be forwarded to the designated official.

### **3.5 Content of the request**

A demolition request must be accompanied by all of the following documents and information:

- a) the surnames, first names, addresses and telephone numbers of the owner and of the occupant if different from the owner;
- (b) the address and cadastral number of the location covered by the request;
- c) The title deeds, if the applicant acquired this property within a period of less than six (6) months;
- d) A power of attorney signed by the owner or all the co-owners, when the immovable belongs to a natural person, when the request is presented by one of the co-owners or by a person other than the owner or a co-owner;
- e) A written resolution or an excerpt from the minutes of the board of directors of the legal person stating the mandate given to the person making the request, when the immovable belongs to a legal person;
- f) An extract from the information statement of a legal person in the enterprise register;
- g) The reasons for the demolition and, if applicable, the reasons for the non-maintenance of the building;
- h) A detailed description of the condition of the building to be demolished (e.g. physical condition, description of architectural components, identification of faulty elements);
- i) Recent photographs of existing buildings on the site and nearby sites;
- j) The nature of the existing use
- k) The preliminary program for the reuse of the soil cleared by the planned demolition including the following documents:
  - The intended use;A summary description of the interventions to be carried out, in terms of construction (height, volume, area, location, etc.), architecture (architectural part, main components, etc.) and land development. One or more preliminary sketches must be submitted to illustrate this description;
  - The implementation schedule;
  - Preliminary estimate of program costs.
- (l) The conditions for the relocation of tenants when the building includes one or more occupied dwellings;



m) Any other document necessary for the assessment of the application for authorization with regard to the criteria set out in these regulations.

### **3.6 Request for a preliminary opinion**

The applicant may ask the committee, by indicating it on his demolition authorization application form, for a preliminary opinion as to the admissibility of his program for the reuse of the vacated soil or the demolition of the building.

The preliminary opinion of the committee must be substantiated and sent to the applicant without delay.

### **3.7 Fees payable**

The rate applicable to a demolition request is five hundred dollars (\$500). It covers the costs of analyzing the file and issuing the demolition authorization certificate. This amount is not refundable.

### **3.8 Demand Analysis**

The designated official analyzes the request and verifies that all the information and documents required have been provided. He then forwards the request to the council.

If the information and documents are incomplete or imprecise, the processing of the application is suspended until the information and documents required have been provided by the applicant.

### **3.9 Lapse of the request**

The demolition request lapses if the applicant has not submitted all the required documents and information within a period of three (3) months from the filing of the request. The designated officer must then return to the applicant the documents provided to him.

When a demolition request has lapsed, the applicant must file a new request and pay the required fees for it to be processed.

### **3.10 Date of Receipt**

The date on which the council receives a request for demolition is the date on which all the required documents and information have been submitted to the designated official.

## **4 Decision of the Committee**

### **4.1 Notice on the building and public notice**

As soon as council receives a request for demolition, the designated official must post a notice easily visible to passers-by on the building for a period of ten (10) days.

In addition, the designated official must cause a public notice to be published regarding the application.

### **4.2 Notice to tenants**

The applicant must send, by registered or certified mail, a notice of the demolition application to each of the tenants of the building, if applicable.

Proof of this must be provided to the designated official within ten (10) days following the date of submission of the request.

#### **4.3 Opposition to a demolition request**

Any person who wishes to oppose the demolition must, within ten (10) days of the publication of the public notice, make known his reasoned opposition in writing to the city clerk.

The notice of the immovable, the public notice and the notices to the tenants must reproduce the wording of the first paragraph of this article.

#### **4.4 Obtaining a deadline**

When the immovable covered by the application includes one or more dwellings, a person who wishes to acquire this immovable in order to retain its residential rental character may, until the committee has rendered its decision, intervene in writing with the clerk of the municipality to request a delay in order to take or pursue steps to acquire the immovable.

Such an intervention can also be made by a person who wishes to acquire a heritage building covered by an application for authorization of demolition in order to preserve its heritage character.

If the committee considers that the circumstances justify it, it postpones the delivery of its decision and grants the intervener a period of no more than two months from the end of the meeting to allow negotiations. The committee may postpone the pronouncement of its decision for this reason only once.

#### **4.5 Evaluation criteria**

- a) Condition of the building
- b) For a heritage building, consider the history of the building, its contribution to local history, its authenticity, its architectural quality, the impact of the architectural movement associated with the building;
- c) The cost of restoration;
- d) The projected use of the cleared ground;
- e) If applicable, the damage caused to the tenants affected by the demolition of the building;
- f) Any other criteria relevant to the analysis of the application by the committee.

#### **4.6 Committee decision**

The committee grants or refuses the authorization request.

The committee's decision must be substantiated and sent without delay to any party affected by the request by registered mail.

#### **4.7 Terms**

When the committee grants the authorization, it may impose any condition relating to the demolition of the building or the reuse of the vacated soil.

It may in particular and without limitation:

- a) Set the deadline within which the demolition and reuse work of the vacated soil must be undertaken and completed;
- b) In the event that the reuse program for the vacated soil has not been approved, require the submission of such a program for the committee's approval;
- c) Require the owner to provide the competent authority, prior to the issuance of a certificate of authorization, with a monetary guarantee to ensure the execution of the reuse program for the vacated soil and compliance with any condition imposed by the committee;
- d) Determine the conditions for the relocation of a tenant when the building includes one or more dwellings.

#### **4.8 Changes to Terms**

The conditions relating to the demolition of a building, or the reuse of the vacated land may be modified by the committee at the request of the owner.

The time within which the demolition work and the reuse of the vacated soil must be undertaken and completed may also be modified by the committee, for reasonable reasons, provided that a request is made to it before the expiry of this time.

Any request for a major modification of the conditions relating to the authorization of the request is treated as a new request.

#### **4.9 Decision Review**

Any person may, within 30 days of the decision of the demolition committee, ask the council to review this decision.

The council may, on its own initiative, within 30 days of a decision of the demolition committee authorizing the demolition of a heritage building, adopt a resolution expressing its intention to review this decision.

Any member of council, including a member of the demolition committee, may sit on council to review a decision of the committee. The board may confirm the committee's decision or render any decision that the latter should have taken.

#### **4.10 Notification of decision and power to disallow**

When the committee authorizes the demolition of a heritage building and its decision is not under review pursuant to article 3.8 of this section, a notice of its decision must be notified without delay to the MRC d'Argenteuil. Must also be notified to the MRC, without delay, a notice of the decision taken by the council in review of a decision of the committee, when the committee authorizes such a demolition.

A notice provided for in the first paragraph is accompanied by copies of all the documents produced by the owner.

The MRC council may, within 90 days of receipt of the notice, disavow the decision of the committee or the council. He may, when the MRC has a Local Heritage council within the meaning of section 117 of the *Cultural Heritage Act* (CQLR, c. P-9.002), consult it before exercising his power of disallowance.

A resolution taken by the MRC under the third paragraph is substantiated and a copy is sent without delay to the Municipality and to any party in question, by registered mail.

#### **4.11 Completion time**

When the committee grants authorization for demolition, it may set the deadline within which the demolition work must be undertaken and completed.

He may, for a reasonable reason, modify the fixed time limit, provided that a request to do so is made to him before the expiry of this time limit.

If the demolition work is not undertaken before the expiry of the deadline set by the committee, the demolition authorization is without effect.

### **5 Final provisions**

#### **5.1 Penalties**

Anyone who demolishes an immovable or causes it to be demolished without authorization from the committee or contrary to the conditions of authorization is liable to a fine of at least \$10,000 and at most \$250,000. However, the maximum fine is \$1,140,000 in the case of the demolition, by a legal person, of an immovable cited in accordance with the *Cultural Heritage Act* (CQLR, c. P-9.002) or located on a site heritage cited in accordance with this law.

#### **5.2 Reconstruction of the building**

In addition to the fines that the offender may be ordered to pay under the preceding articles, the latter must reconstruct the building thus demolished. If the offender fails to reconstruct the building in accordance with this by-law, the council may have the work carried out and recover the costs thereof.

These costs constitute a prior claim on the land where the building was located, in the same way and according to the same rank as the claims referred to in paragraph 5 of article 2651 of the *Civil Code of Québec*; these costs are secured by a legal hypothec on this land.

#### **5.3 Civil remedies**

Penal proceedings against an offender are without prejudice or limitation to any other recourse that the City may institute against him, including civil recourses before any court.

#### **5.4 Entry into force**

This by-law comes into force in accordance with the law.

## **8. Financial and administrative management**

### **8.1 Filing of the report of authorized expenses by the department directors**

The reports of expenses authorized by the general management and by the directors of services for the month of December 2022 are filed with the council.

2023-01-R005

### **8.2 Acceptance of accounts payable and accounts paid for the month of December 2022**

It is moved by acting mayor Richard Francoeur and carried to approve the accounts and salaries paid for the month of December 2022 and the accounts payable, as presented below, and to authorize their payment.

#### **Paid accounts (checks issued December 2022)**

220665 Heather-Anne MacMillan	40.69 \$
220666 Services de Cartes Desjardins	171.94 \$
220667 Chantal Scapino	65.12 \$
220668 Hydro Québec	1 315.65 \$
220669 Lucie Charrette	120.00 \$
220670 Martin Lapointe	60.00 \$
220671 Jean-François Desfossés	90.00 \$
220672 France Bellefleur	210.03 \$
220673 Mathieu Dessureault	75.00 \$
220674 Barrie Smith	300.00 \$
220675 Jocelyne Cardinal	30.00 \$
220676 Desjardins Sécurité Financière	6 308.94 \$
220677 Auberge Val Carroll (autorisée en novembre/22)	1 300.00 \$
220678 Bell Mobilité	505.29 \$
220679 Jonathan Rodger	60.00 \$
220680 LAMAC	1 100.00 \$
220681 Patinoire Communautaire Lost River	4 546.76 \$
220682 Municipalité de Boileau	9 920.56 \$
220683 Gilbert P. Miller et Fils Ltée	5 422.29 \$
220684 Bernard Bissonnette	1 224.55 \$
220685 Transport Larivière et Fils	44 391.85 \$
220686 Entreprise JTK	2 690.42 \$
220687 Municipalité de Grenville-sur-la-Rouge	11 602.21 \$
220688 Excavation Lambert Kelly	1 448.69 \$
220689 Rodney Hoar	40.58 \$
220690 L'Association du Lac Spectacles	2 200.00 \$
220691 L'Ass. des pro. Du Sommet-de-la-Vallée	1 200.00 \$
220692 L'Association du Lac Bleu	4 415.05 \$
220693 Association Res. Du Lac Fawn	10 000.00 \$
220694 Association des prop. Du Lac Agnes	2 300.00 \$
220695 Hydro Québec	4 925.69 \$
220696 Bell Canada	297.25 \$
220697 Mathieu Dessureault	23.67 \$
220698 Financière Banque Nationale	1 076.92 \$
220699 FTQ	1 346.16 \$
220700 Desjardins Sécurité Financière	6 947.08 \$
220701 CUPE Local 4852	484.98 \$

#### **Salaries paid (checks issued December 2022)**

Salaires pour les employés	45 402.80 \$
Salaires pour les élus	14 557.94 \$
Salaires pour les pompiers	1 027.10 \$
Receveur Général du Canada	10 436.17 \$
Ministère du Revenu du Québec	23 889.12 \$
CSST	1 343.35 \$

**Accounts to be paid (checks to be issued in January 2023)**

Waste Management	4 143.54 \$
Urbacom	1 972.97 \$
Les Ent. D'Électricité R. Prévost	283.25 \$
Prévost, Fortin, d'Août	4 326.23 \$
Fédération Québécoise des Municipalités	1 693.15 \$
Sylvie Royer	85.00 \$
Fonds Information Foncière	40.00 \$
Hydro Québec	141.80 \$
9376-7507 Québec Inc.	3 759.76 \$
Thomson Reuters Canada Limited	166.95 \$
Service d'Entretien Ménager M.C.	1 379.70 \$
Vert Demain, Urbanisme	5 644.33 \$
SPCA Lanaudière Basses-Laurentides	870.00 \$
Juteau Ruel Inc.	229.44 \$
Centre de Rénovation Pine Hill	43.68 \$
Kilmar Dépanneur	137.00 \$
Fosses Septiques Miron	195.46 \$
CMP Mayer Inc.	5 265.85 \$
Excavation Lambert Kelly	1 055.18 \$
Auto Parts	309.21 \$
Jonathan Rodger	42.42 \$
H2Lab	327.68 \$
Location Madden	31.71 \$
Maxiburo	376.85 \$
Martech	224.78 \$
Service de Pneus M.K. 2005 Inc.	180.14 \$
Service de Recyclage Sterling	1 183.36 \$
Énergies Sonic RN S.E.C.	5 144.87 \$

I, the undersigned, director general and clerk-treasurer, certify that the Municipality of the Township of Harrington has the necessary available funds for the expenses listed above.

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Mathieu Dessureault  
Assistant director general

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8.3 Filing - Report on the application of the contract management by-law**

**IN ACCORDANCE** with article 938.1.2 of the *Municipal Code of Quebec*, the director general submits the report concerning the application of the contract management by-law.

**WHEREAS** the Municipality wishes to avail itself of the services of the occupational health and safety prevention mutual offered by the Fédération Québécoises des Municipalités (FQM);

**WHEREAS** the importance that the municipality attaches to compliance with the standards and laws surrounding the CNESST for the protection and safety of its employees;

**WHEREAS** non-mutual services are the same as those offered mutually and for the same rate;

**WHEREAS** the FQM prevention mutual offers the following services, all included within the service offer filed:

- Complete support and management of CNESST files
- Prevention visits and support from an occupational health and safety prevention expert
- Unlimited access to risk prevention advisory services
- Training for employees in occupational health and safety
- Access to the online platform

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

And carried

**THAT** the municipality authorizes membership in the FQM prevention mutual, for non-mutual services, as proposed in the service offer, for the approximate sum of \$2,500 plus all applicable taxes

**AND** that the municipality authorizes the general management to proceed with the signing of the agreement for and in the name of the council.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

2023-01-R007

### **8.5 Annual Legal Service Agreement – PFD**

**WHEREAS** the legal services needs of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington;

**WHEREAS** the service offer of the firm PFD Avocats and concerning the dispensation of telephone legal services for the year 2023;

**CONSEQUENTLY**, it is moved by councillor Daniel St-Onge

And carried

**TO ACCEPT** the legal service offer from the firm PFD Avocats for telephone legal consultations in the amount of \$1,000 plus applicable taxes, for the year 2023.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8.6 Filing of the financial report for the month of December 2022**

Mathieu Dessureault, deputy general, files the financial report for the month of December 2022

**9. Public security**

**9.1 Filing of the fire department activities report for the month of December 2022**

The Fire Department activities report for the month of December 2022 is filed with the council.

**10. Public work**

2023-01-R008

**10.1 Acceptance of payment – Provisional acceptance – G21-076, G21-077 – Replacement of ditch culverts – Rivière-Rouge and Maskinongé roads with contractual holdback of 5%**

**WHEREAS** the ditch culvert replacement work carried out on Rivière-Rouge and Maskinongé roads during the fall of 2022

**WHEREAS** the certificate of conformity issued by the engineering department of the MRC d'Argenteuil attesting that the work carried out complies with the plans and specifications issued by the MRC on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

It is moved by councillor Julie James

And carried

To pay the sum of \$164,055.58 to David Riddell Excavation as specified in invoice #25729.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

2023-01-R009

**10.2 Request for extension of the work execution deadline concerning the financial assistance granted under the local road assistance program – Acceleration component - File # ETA87677**

**WHEREAS** the minister of Transport and sustainable Mobility has granted a maximum financial assistance of \$155,832 for the replacement of the culverts of the ditches - Rivière-Rouge Road, within the framework of the local road assistance program – Acceleration, file # ETA87677;

**WHEREAS** the execution of the work could not be completed within the prescribed deadlines, i.e. within a period of 12 months from the date of the announcement letter of 2021-11-12;



**WHEREAS** the work will be completed no later than September 30<sup>th</sup> 2023;

**CONSEQUENTLY,**

It is moved by councillor Chantal Scapino  
And carried,

To authorize the general management to send to the Minister of Transport and sustainable Mobility a request for an extension of the date of the end of the work, to September 30<sup>th</sup> 2023, as part of the local road assistance program – Acceleration component, for the replacement of the culverts in the ditches - Rivière-Rouge Road, file # ETA87677.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2023-01-R010**

**10.3 Request for extension of the work execution deadline concerning the financial assistance granted under the local road assistance program – Acceleration component - File # FED73826**

**WHEREAS** the minister of Transport and sustainable Mobility has granted a maximum financial assistance of \$ 32 103 for the replacement of the culverts of the ditches – Rivière Maskinongé Road, within the framework of the local road assistance program – Acceleration, file # FED73826;

**WHEREAS** the execution of the work could not be completed within the prescribed deadlines, i.e. within a period of 12 months from the date of the announcement letter of 2021-11-12;

**WHEREAS** the work will be completed no later than September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

**CONSEQUENTLY,**

It is moved by councillor Daniel St-Onge

And carried,

To authorize the general management to send to the Minister of Transport and sustainable Mobility a request for an extension of the date of the end of the work, to September 30<sup>th</sup> 2023, as part of the local road assistance program – Acceleration component, for the replacement of the culverts in the ditches - Rivière-Maskinongé Road, file # FED73826.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11. Question period**

The acting mayor answers the questions addressed to him by the citizens present at the sitting.

**2023-01-R011**

**12. Closing of the sitting**

It is moved by councillor Daniel St-Onge and carried that the sitting be closed at 8:17 p.m.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

I, Richard Francoeur, acting mayor, certifies that the signing of these minutes is equivalent to the signing by me of all the resolutions it contains within the meaning of article 142 (2) of the *Municipal Code of Quebec*.

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**Richard Francoeur**  
**Acting Mayor**

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**Mathieu Dessureault**  
**Assistant director general**