Minutes of the adjournment of the regular council sitting of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington of May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 held at the Lost River Community Center located at 2811, route 327 this May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:05 p.m.

Present and forming a quorum under the chairmanship of Mayor Gabrielle Parr, councillors Chantal Scapino, Julie James, Richard Francoeur, Robert Dewar and Gerry Clark.

Councillor Daniel St-Onge is absent.

The director general and clerk-treasurer France Bellefleur is present.

## **Agenda**

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- 9.5 Awarding of contract Granular reloading (municipal MG-20) Rivière-Rouge Road Invitation to tender 2023-004

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- 10.1 PIIA des Migrateurs Road Lot 6 480 457 Roll 2478-27-7860 Construction of a new residence
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- 10.3 Appointment of an official municipal delegate Rivière du Nord watershed organization (Abrinord)
- 10.4 Argenteuil Hospital Center: strong opposition to the reduction in the service offer put forward by the Laurentian Integrated Health and Social Services Center

#### 11. Loisirs and culture

11.1 Request for financial assistance - Les Bons déjeuners d'Argenteuil inc.

#### 12. Question period

# 13. Closing of the sitting

## 1. Opening of the adjourned sitting

The mayor Gabrielle Parr welcomes everyone.

A special notice of adjournment of the regular sitting of May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 was sent to all elected officials absent on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

After verification of the quorum and the publication of the special notice, the mayor declares the sitting open at 7:05 p.m. She adds that the recording of the sitting is in progress.

## 2. Points of information of the mayor

The mayor Gabrielle Parr informs those present about certain files and the activities in which she participated during the month of April 2023.

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## 3. Adoption of the agenda

It is moved by councillor Robert Dewar

And carried that the agenda be adopted as presented.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 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 April 2023.

## 5. Question period

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

### 6. Approval of minutes

## 2023-05-R111-2

## 6.1 Regular sitting of April 11th, 2023

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

# CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Chantal Scapino

And carried to adopt the minutes of the regular sitting of the municipal council held on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

# ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## 7. Notice of motion and by-law

## 2023-05-R112

# 7.1 Adoption-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* (CQLR, c. A-19.1), a municipality must adopt a by-law on the demolition of buildings;

WHEREAS by-law number 192-2012 on permits and certificates is in effect on the territory of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington and requires a demolition certificate before proceeding with it;

WHEREAS a by-law on the demolition of buildings can prove useful for urban planning regulations, in particular for the protection of built heritage and the reuse of cleared ground;

WHEREAS the municipal Council wishes to allow citizens to be heard regarding demolition requests affecting the built heritage of the municipality;

WHEREAS the municipal Council deems it appropriate to supervise building demolition projects on its territory;

**WHEREAS** a notice of motion for this by-law was given at the regular sitting held on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

#### CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Robert Dewar

And carried that the municipal council adopt by-law #297-2023 concerning demolition of buildings.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# 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* (CQLR, c. A-19.1), a municipality must adopt a by-law on the demolition of buildings;

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

WHEREAS a by-law on the demolition of buildings can prove useful for urban planning regulations, in particular for the protection of built heritage and the reuse of cleared ground;

WHEREAS the municipal Council wishes to allow citizens to be heard regarding demolition requests affecting the built heritage of the municipality;

WHEREAS the municipal Council deems it appropriate to supervise building demolition projects on its territory;

**WHEREAS** a notice of motion for this by-law was given at the regular sitting held on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

# FOR THESE REASONS,

# THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRINGTON ENACTS THE FOLLOWING:

### DECLARATORY AND INTERPRETATIVE PROVISIONS

## **ARTICLE 1**

The preamble is an integral part of these rules.

#### **ARTICLE 2**

This by-law bears the title of "By-law #297-2023 concerning the demolition of buildings".

# **ARTICLE 3**

#### **Definitions:**

"Committee": The committee set up by the Council in accordance

with the provisions of these regulations.

"Council": The municipal council of the Municipality.

"Demolition": Intervention that results in the destruction of more than

50% of the volume of a building, without regard to the foundations, including its removal or displacement.

"Immovable": Building, construction or work of a permanent nature

erected on land and everything that is an integral part

of it.

"Heritage building":

an immovable cited in accordance with the Cultural Heritage Act (chapter P-9.002), located in a heritage site cited in accordance with that act or listed in an inventory referred to in the first paragraph of section

120 of that act.

"Dwelling": A dwelling within the meaning of the Act respecting

the Administrative Housing Tribunal (COLR, c. T-

15.01).

"Municipality": The Municipality of the Township of Harrington.

"Town planning regulations":

The regulations adopted by the Municipality under the Act respecting land use planning and development

(CQLR, c. A-19.1).

"Applicant": The owner of the building targeted by the demolition

permit application or his duly authorized

representative.

## APPLICATION OF THE BY-LAW

## **ARTICLE 4**

Any designated official, appointed according to the provisions of Permits and Certificates By-law number 195-2012, is responsible for the application and compliance with this by-law and is authorized to issue statements of offence.

#### SUBJECT INTERVENTION

## **ARTICLE 5**

All demolition work on a building is prohibited unless the owner of the building has previously obtained authorization in accordance with this by-law.

The first paragraph does not apply to the following buildings, if they do not qualify as a heritage building:

- a) a building that a person demolishes or causes to be demolished to comply with an order of a competent court;
- b) a burnt or damaged building destroyed to more than 50% of its volume, not taking into account its foundations;
- c) an immovable to be demolished to enable the Municipality to carry out a municipal purpose;
- d) an immovable used for agricultural use;
- e) an accessory or complementary building as defined by the Municipality's urban planning by-laws;
- f) a temporary building within the meaning of the urban planning bylaws;

The fact that the immovable is not subject to this by-law under the second paragraph does not exempt the applicant from the obligation to obtain the necessary certificate of authorization before proceeding with the demolition under the By-law respecting permits and certificates number 195-2012.

## **DEMOLITION COMMITTEE**

#### **ARTICLE 6**

Is created the demolition Committee whose function is to authorize demolition requests and to exercise any other power conferred by chapter V.0.1 of the Act respecting land use planning and development (CQLR, c. A-19.1).

## ARTICLE 7

The Committee is made up of three (3) members of the municipal Council appointed by resolution of the latter for a period of one (1) year and whose mandate is renewable.

#### **ARTICLE 8**

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 unable to act.

In the preceding 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, depending on the case.

## **ARTICLE 9**

The Chairman is appointed by the Council from among the Committee members it appoints. He chairs the Committee meetings.

The clerk-treasurer acts as secretary to the Committee. He prepares, among other things, the agenda, receives correspondence, draws up the minutes of each meeting and follows up on the Committee's decisions.

## **ARTICLE 10**

The quorum of the committee is two members.

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

## **ARTICLE 11**

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 said request, are submitted to the municipality.

## **ARTICLE 12**

The secretary, in consultation with the committee members, calls a meeting to study the request(s).

#### REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION

# **ARTICLE 13**

A written request for a demolition authorization certificate must be sent to the Municipality, accompanied by any document required by this bylaw and the deposit of the amount required in article 15.

## **ARTICLE 14**

All requests must be made in writing, on a form or by letter, and be accompanied by the documents relevant to the Committee's decision-making, but must at least be accompanied by the following elements:

- a) the name, address and telephone number of the applicant or their authorized representative;
- b) the identification and location of any property or building that is the subject of the application;
- c) photographs of the immovable covered by the application;
- d) the description of any other existing construction on the building;
- e) the current and projected use of the building;
- f) the reasons for the demolition;
- g) if it is a building comprising housing units, their number, the state of occupancy at the time of the request and the possibilities of rehousing the occupants;

- h) the schedule of the planned work including, in particular, the date and deadline for the demolition;
- i) an up-to-date certificate of location;
- j) a layout plan of any proposed building and development;

The request must be signed by the applicant or his duly authorized representative.

# **ARTICLE 15**

The applicant for a demolition authorization certificate must deposit, at the time of his application, the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) to cover the costs of studying and issuing his authorization certificate.

These fees are non-refundable, regardless of the decision of the Committee.

#### **ANALYSIS PROCESS**

## **ARTICLE 16**

As soon as the Committee receives a demolition authorization request, it must post a notice easily visible to passers-by on the immovable covered by the request.

In addition, he must immediately cause a public notice of the application to be published.

Any notice referred to in this article must reproduce the text of article 17 of this by-law.

When the immovable concerned is a heritage immovable, a copy of this notice must be sent without delay to the Minister of Culture and Communications.

# **ARTICLE 17**

Any person who wishes to oppose the demolition must, within 10 days of the publication of the public notice or, failing that, within 10 days of the posting of the notice on the immovable concerned, make known in writing his reasoned opposition to the clerk-treasurer of the Municipality.

## **ARTICLE 18**

Before rendering its decision, the Committee must consider the objections received.

It must hold a public hearing if the application for authorization relates to a heritage building.

It may, in any other case, hold a public hearing if it deems it appropriate.

#### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

# **ARTICLE 19**

The Committee must refuse the request for authorization if the required fees have not been paid.

#### **ARTICLE 20**

The Committee grants the authorization if it is convinced of the advisability of the demolition taking into account the public interest and the interest of the parties.

Before deciding on a request for authorization for demolition, the Committee must consider in particular:

- a) the condition of the immovable covered by the application;
- b) deterioration of the architectural appearance, aesthetic character or quality of life of the neighborhood;
- c) cost of restoration;
- d) damage caused to tenants;
- e) housing needs in the surrounding area;
- f) the possibility of relocation of tenants;
- g) Its heritage value, including the history of the building, its contribution to local history, its degree of authenticity and integrity, its representativeness of a particular architectural trend and its contribution to a whole to be preserved.

#### **ARTICLE 21**

The Committee may, if it deems it necessary for a better understanding of the request, ask the applicant to provide, at his own expense, any additional details, any information or any report prepared by a professional.

## **ARTICLE 22**

When the Committee grants the authorization, it may impose any condition relating to the demolition of the building. It may in particular determine the conditions for the rehousing of a tenant when the building includes one or more dwellings.

## **ARTICLE 23**

The decision of the Committee concerning the demolition must be substantiated and transmitted without delay to any party in question, by registered mail.

#### **APPEAL**

#### **ARTICLE 24**

Any person may, within 30 days of the Committee's decision, appeal this decision to the Council.

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

Any member of the council, including a member of the committee, may sit on the council to hear an appeal brought under the first paragraph.

## **ARTICLE 25**

The appeal must be made by a written and reasoned request which must be received at the office of the clerk-treasurer of the Municipality no later than the thirtieth day following the day on which the decision was rendered.

## **ARTICLE 26**

The Council may confirm the Committee's decision or render any decision that the latter should have taken.

#### ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE

## **ARTICLE 27**

No demolition authorization certificate may be issued by the person designated under this by-law before the expiry of the 30-day period provided for in article 24 nor, if there has been an appeal under this article, before the Council has rendered a decision authorizing the demolition.

If the decision concerns a heritage building, a certificate of authorization can only be issued following the expiry of the 90-day period following receipt by the MRC of the notice of the municipal decision.

# PROVISIONS CONCERNING BUILDINGS COMPRISING ONE OR MORE DWELLINGS

# **ARTICLE 28**

The applicant must send a notice of the application to each of the tenants of the building, if applicable.

# **ARTICLE 29**

If a person wishes to acquire this immovable in order to preserve its residential rental character, he may, as long as the Committee has not rendered its decision, intervene in writing with the clerk-treasurer to request a delay in order to undertake or pursue steps to acquire the building.

## **ARTICLE 30**

If the Committee considers that the circumstances justify it, it postpones the pronouncement of its decision and grants the intervener a period of at most two months from the end of the hearing to allow the negotiations to reach a conclusion. The Committee may postpone the pronouncement of its decision for this reason only once.

#### **ARTICLE 31**

A landlord who has been granted a demolition permit may evict a tenant to demolish a dwelling.

However, a tenant may not be forced to vacate his dwelling before the later of the following eventualities, either the expiry of the lease, or the

expiry of a period of three months from the date of issuance of the certificate of authorization.

#### **ARTICLE 32**

The landlord must pay the tenant evicted from his dwelling an indemnity of three months' rent and his moving expenses. If the damages resulting from the harm suffered by the tenant amount to a higher sum, he may apply to the Administrative Housing Tribunal to have the amount fixed. The indemnity is payable on departure of the tenant and the moving expenses, upon presentation of supporting documents.

#### PROVISIONS CONCERNING HERITAGE BUILDINGS

## **ARTICLE 33**

If a person wishes to acquire an immovable to preserve its heritage character, he or she may, as long as the Committee has not rendered its decision, intervene in writing with the clerk-treasurer to request a delay in order to undertake or continue to purchase the building.

## **ARTICLE 34**

The Committee must consult the local heritage council before making a decision relating to a heritage building.

## **WORK EXECUTION**

# **ARTICLE 35**

When the Committee grants the authorization, it can 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 that time limit.

## **ARTICLE 36**

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

If, on the expiry date of this period, a tenant continues to occupy his dwelling, the lease is automatically extended and the landlord may, within one month, apply to the Administrative Housing Tribunal to set the rent.

# **ARTICLE 37**

If the work is not completed within the time fixed, the Council may cause it to be carried out and recover the cost of the work from the owner. These costs constitute a priority 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; these costs are secured by a legal hypothec on this land.

## **INSPECTION**

## **ARTICLE 38**

At all times during the execution of the demolition work, a person in authority on the premises must have in his possession a copy of the certificate of authorization. A Municipal official designated by the Council may enter, at any reasonable time between 7 am and 7 pm, on the premises where this work is being carried out in order to verify whether the demolition complies with the Committee's decision. Upon request, the official of the Municipality must give his identity and show the certificate, issued by the Municipality, attesting to his capacity.

Is liable to a maximum fine of \$500:

1° anyone who prevents a municipal official from entering the premises where the demolition work is being carried out;

2° the person in authority responsible for carrying out the demolition work who, on the premises where the work is to be carried out, refuses to show, at the request of a municipal official, a copy of the certificate of authorization.

#### FINES AND PENALTIES

## **ARTICLE 39**

The fact of complying with this regulation does not remove the obligation to comply with any other law or any other regulation applicable in this case, in particular the Act respecting the Administrative Housing Tribunal.

## **ARTICLE 40**

Without prejudice to other recourses that may be exercised by the Municipality, anyone who proceeds or has the demolition of a building proceeded without having previously obtained a demolition authorization or contrary to the applicable conditions is liable; in addition to costs, a fine of at least \$5,000 and at most \$25,000.

The Municipality may also ask the court to order this person to reconstitute the building thus demolished and, failing that, to authorize the municipality to proceed with the reconstitution and recover the costs of the owner, in application of article 148.0. .17 of the Act respecting land use planning and development.

#### **COMING INTO FORCE**

# **ARTICLE 41**

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 March 2023 are filed with the council.

# 2023-05-R113 8.2 Acceptance of accounts payable and accounts paid for the month of April 2023

It is moved by councillor Richard Francoeur and carried to approve the accounts and salaries paid for the month of April 2023 and the accounts payable, as presented below, and to authorize their payment.

# Paid accounts (checks issued April 2023)

Waste Management

Urbacom

9284-3838 Québec Inc.

Prévost, Fortin, d'Aoust

Services de Cartes Desjardins	706.91 \$
Hydro Québec	1359.50 \$
Harrington Valley Community	3600.00 \$
Mathieu Dessureault	148.02 \$
Lost River Community Centre	1150.00 \$
Canada Post Corporation	7342.53 \$
Desjardins Sécurité Financière	6565.02 \$
Bell Mobilité	113.80 \$
Neil Swail	80.47 \$
Lbel Inc.	228.76 \$
L'Association du chemin Elmslie	2000.00\$
Forest Lake Association Inc.	3200.00 \$
Association Res. du Lac Fawn	10000.00 \$
L'Association du Lac Spectacle	2200.00 \$
Louis Coallier	367.00 \$
Robin O'Shaughnessy	3168.45 \$
Heather-Anne MacMillan	45.36 \$
Catherine MacMillan	48.55 \$
Hydro Québec	3849.97 \$
Retraite Québec	367.06 \$
Bell Canada	297.93 \$
Mathieu Dessureault	103.68 \$
Financière Banque Nationale	852.76 \$
Timour Achikbaev	250.00 \$
FTQ	2770.12 \$
Desjardins Sécurité Financière	5800.18 \$
Jonathan Rodger	38.08 \$
CUPE Local 4852	438.17 \$
Salaries paid (checks issued April 2023)	
Salaires pour les employés	36765.62 \$
Salaires pour les élus	7726.98 \$
Salaires pour les pompiers	3357.52 \$
Receveur Général du Canada	8281.83 \$
Ministère du Revenu du Québec	21379.17 \$
CSST	1181.97 \$
Assounts to be noid (absolve to be issued in Mary 2022)	
Accounts to be paid (checks to be issued in May 2023)	4011 51 0

4011.54 \$

337.86 \$

3440.05 \$

4885.60 \$

Fédération Québécoise des Municipalités ADMQ Fonds Information Foncière Villemaire Pneus et Mécaniques Thomson Reuters Canada Limited	650.76 \$ 45.00 \$ 220.29 \$ 478.80 \$
Sanidépôt	153.94 \$
Service d'Entretien Ménager M.C.	1379.70 \$
ADGMQ	68.81 \$
Juteau Ruel Inc.	370.20 \$
Petite Caisse	238.75 \$
GLS Canada	14.91 \$
Forest Lake Association Inc.	422.00 \$
CNESST	96.07 \$
Canadian Tire	880.06 \$
Fosses Septiques Miron	195.46 \$
Matériaux McLaughlin Inc.	1283.50 \$
Pyromont	124.17 \$
Excavation Lambert Kelly	206.96 \$
Auto Parts	1433.80 \$
Goodyear Canada Inc.	4393.97 \$
H2Lab	362.17 \$
Soudure Luc Provost Enr.	268.76 \$
Gary Cantin	162.23 \$
DRL Beaudoin Équipement	919.80 \$
Location Madden Rental	87.29 \$
J.B. Dixon Inc.	232.50 \$
Turpin Vitres d'Autos	1392.21 \$
Service de Recyclage Sterling	1229.22 \$
9244-1369 Québec Inc.	1121.01 \$
D & D Création	355,18\$
Énergies Sonic RN S.E.C.	2321.06 \$

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

France Bellefleur, CPA, CA
Director general and
Clerk-treasurer

# ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# 8.3 Filing of the April 2023 financial report

Director general and clerk-treasurer France Bellefleur, files the financial report for the month of April 2023.

# 2023-05-R114

# 8.4 Expenditure report under the local road assistance program – maintenance of local roads (ERL) component for the year 2022

**WHEREAS** the Ministère des Transports paid a compensation of \$390,015 under the local roads Assistance program — local roads maintenance Component (ERL) for the year 2022.

WHEREAS the compensation distributed to the municipality is for the routine and preventive maintenance of local roads 1 and 2 as well as the elements of the bridges located on these roads, for which the Municipality is responsible;

WHEREAS this resolution is accompanied by Appendix A identifying the interventions carried out by the municipality on the aforementioned roads;

WHEREAS a financial assistance agreement has been concluded between the municipality and the Ministère des Transports with regard to the local road assistance program – maintenance component;

WHEREAS following the said agreement, two-thirds (2/3) of the financial assistance must be devoted to summer maintenance work or related investments and one-third (1/3) to winter maintenance;

WHEREAS the municipality has complied with the minimum threshold of 90% of expenses allocated to recognized eligible maintenance activities;

# CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

and carried that the municipality of the Township of Harrington indicate in the financial report for the fiscal year 2022 the total expenses relating to the use of compensation for the routine and preventive maintenance of local roads 1 and 2 as well as the elements of the bridges, located on these roads, the responsibility of which falls to the Municipality, in accordance with the objectives of the local roads assistance Program – local road maintenance component, i.e. for the sum of \$392,938 detailed as follows:

Summer maintenance: \$203,814 Fixed Assets: \$59,090 Winter maintenance: \$130,034

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# 2023-05-R115

# 8.5 Adoption of the 2022 financial report and the independent auditor's report

WHEREAS the director general files the financial report and the report of the external auditors for the year ended December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 in accordance with the provisions of the municipal Code of Quebec;

WHEREAS the director general certifies having given at least five (5) days before the date of this meeting, in accordance with the law, a public notice of the filing of these reports;

### CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Richard Francoeur

And carried:

**TO ACCEPT** the filing of the financial report and the independent auditor's report for the fiscal year 2022 prepared by the firm Gariépy Bussière CPA Inc., chartered professional accountants;

**TO AUTHORIZE** payment of the balance of fees to Gariépy Bussière CPA Inc., in the amount of \$20 455.00 plus applicable taxes.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 2023-05-R116

# 8.6 Acceptance of the service offer for the rental of a photocopier from Juteau Ruel

**WHEREAS** the rental contract for the Canon IRA-C5540 photocopier has expired and it has become necessary to rent a new photocopier for the town hall reception;

WHEREAS it is necessary for the municipality to wish to keep the Canon IRA-C5540 photocopier to replace the Canon IR-C5235 photocopier which is now more than ten (10) years old;

WHEREAS the service offer received from Juteau Ruel for the rental of a new photocopier and the service contract for the two (2) photocopiers is advantageous;

#### CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Robert Dewar

And carried:

**THAT** council approves the rental of a Canon DX-C5840 multifunction copier in the amount of \$226 per month plus applicable taxes, for a period of sixty (60) months from the company Juteau Ruel Inc;

THAT council grant a service contract including all original Canon parts and supplies, preventive maintenance, service calls and powder for this Canon DX-C5840 copier to Juteau Ruel inc. for an amount of \$0.007 per black and white copy and \$0.055 per color copy, plus applicable taxes, rate which will be valid for the first twenty-four (24) months of the contract;

**THAT** council grants a service contract including all original Canon parts and supplies, preventive maintenance, service calls and powder for this Canon IR-ADV-C5540 copier to Juteau Ruel Inc. for an amount of \$0.007 black and white copy and \$0.06 per color copy, plus applicable taxes, which will be the rate for the first twenty-four (24) months of the contract.

# ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 2023-05-R117

## 8.7 Annual convention – Fédération québécoise des municipalités

WHEREAS the Fédération Québécoise des Municipalités organizes its annual convention from September 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Quebec;

WHEREAS it is important to participate in order to collect relevant information for the municipality and to meet decision-makers from the municipal world;

## CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Richard Francoeur

And carried that council authorizes mayor Gabrielle Parr, as well as councillors Julie James and Robert Dewar to participate in the 2023 convention of the Fédération Québécoise des Municipalités and to reimburse them for the costs incurred upon presentation of supporting documents.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 9. Public work

#### 2023-05-R118

# 9.1 Gas Tax Program and Quebec Contribution (TECQ) for the years 2019-2023

WHEREAS the Municipality has taken note of the Guide relating to the terms and conditions of payment of the government contribution under the Gas Tax Program and the Quebec Contribution (TECQ) for the years 2019 to 2023;

WHEREAS the municipality must comply with the terms of this guide that apply to it to receive the government contribution which was confirmed to it in a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

#### CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

And carried:

**THAT** the municipality agrees to respect the terms of the guide that apply to it;

**THAT** the municipality undertakes to be solely responsible and to release the Government of Canada and the Government of Quebec as well as their ministers, senior officials, employees and agents from any liability with respect to claims, demands, losses, damages and costs of all kinds based on injury to or death of a person, damage to property or loss of property attributable to a willful or negligent act resulting directly or indirectly from investments made with the assistance funding obtained under the TECQ 2019-2023 program;

**THAT** the municipality approves the content and authorizes the sending to the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation of the work program no. 4 attached and of all the other documents required by the Ministère in order to receive the government contribution which was confirmed to him in a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

**THAT** the municipality undertakes to reach the minimum fixed assets threshold imposed on it for the entire five years of the program;

**THAT** the municipality undertakes to inform the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of any modification that will be made to the work program approved by this resolution;

**THAT** the Municipality hereby certifies that the work schedule No. 4 attached includes true realized costs and reflects the cost forecasts for eligible work.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

2023-05-R119

9.2 Amendment - Resolution 2023-03-R090 - Request for extension of the execution deadline concerning the financial assistance granted under the local road assistance program – Local road infrastructure recovery component - Granular periodic maintenance of the Rivière-Rouge Road (File # TXG46899)

WHEREAS that certain modifications must be made to resolution 2023-03-R093 - Request for extension of the execution deadline concerning the financial assistance granted under the local road assistance program – Local road infrastructure recovery component - Granular Periodic Maintenance of Chemin de la Rivière-Rouge (File # TXG46899);

**WHEREAS** the work will be completed no later than June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 instead of 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 Ministère des Transports et de la Mobilité durable a request for an extension of the date of the end of the work, and this, to June 18, 2023, within the framework of the Assistance program to local roads — Local road infrastructure rehabilitation component for periodic granular maintenance of Chemin de la Rivière-Rouge (file # TXG466899).

## ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

2023-05-R120

## 9.3 Hiring – Public works laborer – Temporary position

WHEREAS the workload at the public works department justifies the addition of an additional employee;

WHEREAS the posting was done internally, and no candidate came forward:

WHEREAS Mr. Paul Knerr has already done this work last year to the satisfaction of the municipality;

## CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Julie James

And carried that council proceed with the hiring of Mr. Paul Knerr as a temporary employee for the position of day laborer in the public works department of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington, starting May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, according to the conditions of the collective agreement in force.

## ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

2023-05-R121

9.4 Authorization of a project submission by the MRC d'Argenteuil, aimed at sharing a professional land surveying resource hired by the

MRC, under component 4 - Support for intermunicipal cooperation of the regions and rurality fund of the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation – Harrington, Mille-Isle and Brownsburg-Chatham

WHEREAS the 2020-2024 Partnership "For even stronger municipalities and regions" was concluded on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with municipal representatives;

WHEREAS Bill 47, An Act to ensure the implementation of certain measures of the 2020-2024 partnership between the Government of Quebec and the municipalities was assented to in the National Assembly on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019, thus creating the Region and Rurality Fund (FRR);

WHEREAS the intermunicipal cooperation axis of section 4 - Support for revitalization and intermunicipal cooperation aims to encourage collaboration between municipal organizations by increasing the number of intermunicipal cooperation projects allowing the improvement of services offered to citizens;

WHEREAS by intermunicipal cooperation, it is understood in particular the pooling of professional resources and this, under an intermunicipal agreement;

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Harrington has taken note of the Guide for organizations concerning component 4 - Support for intermunicipal cooperation of the Regions and Rurality Fund;

**WHEREAS** the three (3) constituent municipalities of the MRC d'Argenteuil, namely Harrington, Mille-Isle and Brownsburg-Chatham, wish to present an intermunicipal cooperation project within the framework of financial assistance, allowing the sharing of a professional surveying resource;

**WHEREAS** the MRC d'Argenteuil has multidisciplinary expertise, particularly in civil engineering, land use planning, environment and geomatics capable of coordinating and supporting a professional surveying resource;

WHEREAS according to the rules and standards of the program, with its economic vitality index positioning the MRC d'Argenteuil in the fourth quintile of the MRCs of Quebec, and the participation of the Township of Harrington, which is in the fifth quintile, the financing of this resource could reach 80% of eligible costs (salary, benefits and other), until 2025, up to a maximum amount of \$250,000;

## CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Robert Dewar

And carried:

**THAT** the council of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington authorizes the submission of a project by the MRC d'Argenteuil, aimed at sharing a professional surveying resource hired by the MRC, within the framework of component 4 "Support for intermunicipal cooperation" of the Regions and Rurality Fund of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

**THAT** the council undertakes to participate in the project and assume part of the costs, jointly with the other constituent municipalities of the MRC;

**THAT** council appoints the MRC d'Argenteuil as the organization responsible for the project and asks it to submit a request for financial assistance under this Program.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 2023-05-R122

# 9.5 Awarding of contract – Granular reloading (municipal MG-20) – Rivière-Rouge Road – Invitation to tender 2023-004

WHEREAS the municipality wishes to proceed with the granular resurfacing work on de la Rivière-Rouge Road on a section of approximately 2.4 kilometers, between civic numbers 217 and 401 of de la Rivière-Rouge Road, with an estimated quantity of 1,500 metric tons of municipal MG-20;

WHEREAS the municipality proceeded with a request for tenders by invitation and the results are as follows:

Excavation Kelly inc \$22.86 per ton taxes included

\$34,295.70 taxes included

Transport Heatlie \$22.97 per ton taxes included

\$34,455.00 taxes included

David Riddell Excavation \$23.45 per ton taxes included

\$35,182.35 taxes included

## CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Chantal Scapino

And carried that council accepts the lowest conforming bid, that of the company Excavation Kelly inc for an amount of \$22.86 per ton, taxes included, for a total amount of 34,295.70 taxes included for the granular reloading of the roadway on de la Rouge Road, all in accordance with invitation to tender documents 2023-004.

# ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# 10. Urban planning and environmental health

#### 2023-05-R123

# 10.1 PHA – des Migrateurs Road – Lot 6 480 457 – Roll 2478-27-7860 – Construction of a new residence

**WHEREAS** a request under the PIIA was submitted for lot 6 480 457, des Migrateurs Road, roll 2478-27-7860 and concerns the construction of a residence;

WHEREAS the owners' request is subject to the criteria of By-law number 258-2016 on site planning and architectural integration plans and By-law number 258-2018 amending the by-law on site planning and architectural integration (PIIA) number 258-2016;

WHEREAS the request respects the orientations, objectives and evaluation criteria of by-law number 258-2016 on site planning and architectural integration applying to sloping land, mountain sides and summits (PIIA-01) by ensuring the harmonization of the layout of the buildings and the development of the land with the natural environment and the harmonization of the elements of the built environment with the natural environment;

**WHEREAS** the request respects the orientation, objectives and evaluation criteria of by-law number 258-2018 amending the by-law on site planning and architectural integration number 258-2016 and applying to interventions within the ecological network (PIIA-04);

WHEREAS the municipal council wants to ensure that the following criteria of objective 2 "Harmonize the layout of buildings and landscaping with the natural environment" are respected:

- #1: minimize the deforestation of the land in order to reduce the visual impact and to naturally ensure the control of erosion;
- #2: limit deforestation only to spaces intended for the construction of main and accessory buildings, driveways, parking areas, as well as septic and water catchment facilities;

WHEREAS the municipal council wants to ensure that the following criteria of objective 3 "Harmonize the elements of the built environment with the natural environment" of the PIIA-01 applying to sloping land, mountain sides and summits are respected:

- #4: locate the building on the site in such a way as to minimize its visual impact;
- #12: when necessary, low-intensity ambient lighting (sobriety) is preferred, respecting the following criteria: the lighting components are integrated into the architecture of the building:

WHEREAS the recommendation of the planning advisory Committee to accept this request;

#### CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

And carried that council accepts the request presented within the framework of the PIIA for lot 6 480 457, des Migrateurs Road, roll 2478-27-7860 and seeks the construction of a residence under the following conditions:

- In order to minimize the visual impact related to the deforestation of the land and to limit the deforestation of the land:
- o That the clearing of the land be limited only to spaces intended for the construction of main and accessory buildings, driveways, parking areas, as well as septic and water catchment facilities;
- o That, with the exception of the spaces intended for the purposes of construction mentioned above, that the wooded area of the land be kept at all times in its natural state, without human intervention, and that any sick, damaged or dead tree in the woodland is replaced by a conifer with a minimum height of 1.5 meters when planting, the species of the chosen tree must reach a minimum height of 10 meters at maturity;

- In order to limit the visual impact of the exterior lighting of the building:
- o That any installation of exterior lighting devices (on the building and on the grounds) use only exterior lighting using a motion detector with an operating time not exceeding ten (10) minutes, the lighting equipment must be inclined at more than 20 degrees below the horizon and that it has visors or a shade;

o That any installation of exterior lighting devices (on the building and on the land) must be installed less than 3.0 meters above the finished ground level.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 2023-05-R124

# 10.2 PHA – Harrington Road – Lot 6 210 687 – Roll 1775-28-0315 – Construction of a new residence

WHEREAS a request under the PIIA has been submitted for lot 6 210 687, chemin de Harrington, roll 1775-28-0315 and concerns the construction of a residence;

WHEREAS the owners' request is subject to the criteria of By-law number 258-2016 on site planning and architectural integration plans and By-law number 258-2018 amending the by-law on site planning and architectural integration (PIIA) number 258-2016;

WHEREAS the request respects the orientations, objectives and evaluation criteria of by-law number 258-2016 on site planning and architectural integration applying to sloping land, mountain sides and summits (PIIA-01) by ensuring the harmonization of the layout of the buildings and the development of the land with the natural environment and the harmonization of the elements of the built environment with the natural environment;

WHEREAS the municipal council wants to ensure that the following criteria of objective 2 "Harmonize the layout of buildings and landscaping with the natural environment" are respected:

- #1: minimize the deforestation of the land in order to reduce the visual impact and to naturally ensure the control of erosion;
- #2: limit deforestation only to spaces intended for the construction of main and accessory buildings, driveways, parking areas, as well as septic and water catchment facilities;

WHEREAS the municipal council wants to ensure that the following criteria of objective 3 "Harmonize the elements of the built environment with the natural environment" of the PIIA-01 applying to sloping land, mountain sides and summits are respected:

- #4: locate the building on the site in such a way as to minimize its visual impact;
- #12: when necessary, low-intensity ambient lighting (sobriety) is preferred, respecting the following criteria: the lighting components are integrated into the architecture of the building:

WHEREAS the recommendation of the planning advisory Committee to accept this request;

## CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

And carried that council accepts the request presented within the framework of the PIIA for lot 6 210 687, Harrington Road, roll 1775-28-0315 and seeks the construction of a residence under the following conditions:

- In order to minimize the visual impact related to the deforestation of the land and to limit the deforestation of the land:
- o That the clearing of the land be limited only to spaces intended for the construction of main and accessory buildings, driveways, parking areas, as well as septic and water catchment facilities;
- o That, with the exception of the spaces intended for the purposes of construction mentioned above, that the wooded area of the land be kept at all times in its natural state, without human intervention, and that any sick, damaged or dead tree in the woodland is replaced by a conifer with a minimum height of 1.5 meters when planting, the species of the chosen tree must reach a minimum height of 10 meters at maturity;
- In order to limit the visual impact of the exterior lighting of the building:
- o That any installation of exterior lighting devices (on the building and on the grounds) use only exterior lighting using a motion detector with an operating time not exceeding ten (10) minutes, the lighting equipment must be inclined at more than 20 degrees below the horizon and that it has visors or a shade;
- o That any installation of exterior lighting devices (on the building and on the land) must be installed less than 3.0 meters above the finished ground level.

# ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 2023-05-R125

# 10.3 Appointment of an official municipal delegate – Rivière du Nord Watershed Organization (Abrinord)

**WHEREAS** membership in the Rivière du Nord Watershed Organization (Abrinord) for the next year, from April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, has been renewed through the collective membership of the MRC d'Argenteuil;

WHEREAS the municipality must appoint an official delegate to represent it and be able to exercise its right to vote;

# CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Robert Dewar

And carried to appoint Mathieu Dessureault, assistant director general and assistant clerk treasurer, as official municipal delegate to the Rivière du Nord Watershed Organization (Abrinord).

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

2023-05-R126

10.4 Argenteuil Hospital Center: strong opposition to the reduction in the service offer put forward by the Laurentian Integrated Health and Social Services Center

WHEREAS at the request of elected officials, a working meeting was held on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 with the President and CEO of the CISSS des Laurentides, Ms. Rosemonde Landry, to allow the members of the MRC Council to express their many concerns with regard to the recurring problems of underfunding and reduction in services experienced for several years by the Argenteuil hospital, and in order to request that the situation be rectified, both in terms of funding and in terms of maintenance and expanding the services offered;

WHEREAS during a second working meeting held in Lachute on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, Ms. Landry gave the assurance to the members of the MRC council that the Argenteuil hospital would no longer suffer a reduction in services in the future;

WHEREAS despite this unequivocal statement by its CEO, on April 24<sup>th</sup>, the CISSS des Laurentides announced the establishment of a pilot project aimed at reducing the supply of radiology services (medical imaging) at Argenteuil Hospital, by significantly reducing the provision of radiology services during the evening shift, and eliminating it completely during the night shift;

**WHEREAS** said pilot project took effect on the same day of its announcement, namely April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, without the community being informed in any way whatsoever;

WHEREAS this significant reduction in medical imaging services will have significant consequences, both for patients and for caregivers, such as:

- A case requiring an urgent examination in medical imaging, during reduced service hours, will be redirected to another hospital;
- An on-call imaging technologist will be called only for a case requiring immediate medical management (critical or time-dependent pathologies);
- A case requiring a non-urgent examination in medical imaging will be offered an appointment during subsequent opening hours or will be redirected to another imaging service in the region;

WHEREAS on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, a group of doctors practicing at the Argenteuil Hospital sent a letter to the President of the Council of Physicians, Dentists and Pharmacists of the CISSS des Laurentides, Dr. Paul-André Hudon, to inform him their many concerns regarding the implementation of this pilot project;

WHEREAS in this letter, the physicians emphasize that in addition to diagnostic delays, issues related to the health and safety of patients are to be feared and that this situation could prove dangerous during resuscitation of a patient in shock, requiring intubation, suffering from pulmonary embolism, etc.;

WHEREAS the team of physicians working in Lachute recalls that medical imaging in an emergency room is a standard of care;

WHEREAS due to its geographic proximity to the Ontario border, the Argenteuil Hospital is the victim of a growing exodus of its clientele to the Hawkesbury General Hospital (HGH) and that it is suffering the financial backlash, since Quebec funds finance approximately \$35 million annually for the Hawkesbury hospital;

WHEREAS this facility offers services in most medical specialties, unlike Lachute and that the repatriation of these sums to us would precisely promote the growth of our center;

WHEREAS in this hard-hitting letter, the physicians express their fears that this pilot project will continue over time and lead to operational disorganization and inefficiency in the care system in Argenteuil;

WHEREAS the main risk remains patient safety, but issues related to the retention of doctors and other professionals are also present;

WHEREAS the mission of the Lachute Hospital could be in danger and that the reduction in services promotes the exodus of patients in search of better standards of care to Ontario, paradoxically financed by Quebec funds;

WHEREAS on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Dr. Pierre-Charles Deschênes, practicing hospital medicine at the Lachute hospital, specialist in family medicine at the GMF / Argenteuil medical clinic and President of the Save the Lachute hospital committee, wrote to Mrs. Rosemonde Landry to make her aware of the fact that the nursing staff fears that the intention of the CISSS is to transform the Argenteuil CMSSS into a GMF-R, open twelve hours a day, which is not a suitable plan , knowing that 19.9% of the population of the region lives below the threshold of the minimum income measure and that 25% of the population is over 65;

WHEREAS these citizens often do not have the physical possibility or the financial capacity to travel to Saint-Jérôme;

WHEREAS the population of Argenteuil deserves quality services, provided locally, 24 hours a day;

WHEREAS the population of Argenteuil is one of the most vulnerable in all of the Laurentians, with regard to several factors, namely:

- 26% of the population aged 65 and over, versus 18% in the Laurentians;
- the highest rate of material and social deprivation in the Laurentians;
- Highest rate of people living under the Low-Income Measure (19.9%) in the Laurentians;
- Highest rate of people over 1 year old with mental disorders in the Laurentians;
- Second highest rate of the population without a diploma (23.8%);

**WHEREAS** the Laurentides region is the 4th largest in Quebec, representing 7.4% of the population, but obtaining only 4.9% of the provincial health budget, which is equivalent to millions of dollars in shortfall;

WHEREAS that the reduction in services announced on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 could have dramatic consequences for the population as well as on the provision of services offered at the Argenteuil hospital, worrying consequences which even relate to the maintenance of the sustainability of the very vocation of the hospital of the establishment of Lachute;

WHEREAS that we understand that general practitioners could give up practicing in Lachute under these conditions, not to mention the recruitment difficulties that a hospital will inevitably encounter, which sees itself amputated from basic professional services, in an already very difficult context of shortage of workforce;

WHEREAS the council of the MRC d'Argenteuil wishes to obtain clear answers, in order to be able to reassure the community as to the future of the Lachute hospital;

**WHEREAS** as part of the reform proposed to improve the health system, the Minister of Health of Quebec, Mr. Christian Dubé, says he wants to involve elected municipal officials;

WHEREAS the members of the council of the MRC d'Argenteuil have already been closely involved in maintaining the status of the Argenteuil Hospital and in the influence of the Argenteuil Hospital Foundation, and have been for many years;

WHEREAS the MRC d'Argenteuil has contributed financially to the activities of the Hospital Foundation for an amount of nearly \$250,000, which has enabled the acquisition of state-of-the-art medical devices and equipment to improve services diagnostics and clinics with patients, in particular the acquisition of Mini C-arms and an ultrasound scanner allowing the installation of picclines in the radiology department;

WHEREAS that these devices and equipment purchased by the Foundation, through financial contributions from the Argenteuil community, unfortunately are often unused due to service reductions enacted by the CISSS des Laurentides, which is a total and revolting inconsistency for elected municipal officials and the population in general;

WHEREAS the mayors of the nine local municipalities of Argenteuil urge the Minister of Health to include in Bill 15, "An Act to make the health and social services system more efficient", measures to ensure better accountability of the heads of the health network, who should be accountable not only to the department, but also to elected municipal officials, who could in turn demand better results;

**WHEREAS** Bill 15 proposes to renew the oversight of the health and social services system by implementing an effective system, in particular by facilitating people's access to safe health and social services and quality;

WHEREAS Bill 15 seeks to recognize the right of everyone to receive adequate, continuous, personalized and safe health and social services;

**WHEREAS** the preamble to Bill 15 proposes various measures to achieve its objective of establishing an effective system, in particular by recognizing the right of everyone to receive adequate, continuous, personalized and safe health services and social services;

**WHEREAS** the withdrawal of night medical imaging services at the Argenteuil Hospital is in total contradiction with the objective sought by the legislator;

**WHEREAS** since the merger of hospital establishments in the Laurentians with the creation of the CISSS, the Argenteuil hospital has lost its local manager;

WHEREAS the elected officials of Argenteuil welcome the will of the Government of Quebec to reinstitute the notion of local manager, through Bill 15;

WHEREAS the Council of Prefects and Elected Officials of the Laurentians region has set up the Coalition Santé Laurentides, whose mission is to denounce the current situation and to demand from the Government of Quebec fair funding in health care and social services for the Saint-Laurent population;

WHEREAS the Coalition Santé Laurentides has three main objectives:

- Obtain a catch-up allowing a structuring and adequate development of the health and social services system to which the population of the Laurentians is entitled:
- Respect the deadlines for the expansion and modernization of the Saint-Jérôme Regional Hospital;
- Accelerate modernization projects for other hospitals in the Laurentians region that no longer meet current standards;

## CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Chantal Scapino

And carried as follows:

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington strongly denounces the reduction in the offer of radiology services implemented on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 by the CISSS des Laurentides at the Argenteuil hospital under the guise of a pilot project;

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Harrington asks the competent authorities to take the necessary measures to restore as soon as possible a medical imaging service to adequately respond 24 hours a day to the needs of the Argenteuil hospital emergency room;

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Harrington asks the government of Quebec to take the necessary measures so that the Argenteuil hospital can finally obtain adequate and permanent funding from the CISSS des Laurentides as well as its fair share of investments, in order to be able to maintain and develop its hospital vocation;

**THAT** the socioeconomic and sociosanitary portraits of a region be taken into account when allocating human and financial resources among hospitals;

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Harrington asks the Government of Quebec to reinstate the presence of a local manager in hospitals as soon as possible;

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Harrington asks the Government of Quebec to recognize the investments made by the Argenteuil community, via the Hospital Foundation, for the purpose of improving medical services, and that it takes consistent decisions so as not to thwart the achievements and objectives of the said Foundation, by enacting reductions in professional services;

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Harrington asks the leaders of the Coalition Santé Laurentides to defend the superior interests of Argenteuil and its hospital, with the same vigor as it demonstrates towards other hospitals in the Laurentians.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 11. Loisirs and culture

#### 2023-05-R127

# 11.1 Granting of financial assistance to the organization Les Bons déjeuners d'Argenteuil

WHEREAS the mission of Les Bons Déjeuners d'Argenteuil is to ensure that as many students as possible have access to a nutritious breakfast served in an environment that promotes their self-esteem before classes begin;

WHEREAS the organization Les Bons Déjeuners d'Argenteuil offers a lunch service in schools in Argenteuil;

WHEREAS the organization Les Bons Déjeuners d'Argenteuil also meets the specific needs of schools, such as support for the acquisition of equipment, when necessary;

#### CONSEQUENTLY,

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark

And carried to grant financial assistance of \$250 to the organization Les Bons Déjeuners d'Argenteuil for the 2022-2023 financial year.

## ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# 12. Question period

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

#### 2023-05-R128

## 13. Closing of the sitting

It is moved by councillor Gerry Clark and carried that the sitting be closed at 8:49 p.m.

# ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

I, Gabrielle Parr, 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.

Gabrielle Parr

Mayor

France Bellefleur, CPA, CA

Director general and
clerk-treasurer