

Minutes of the Special Sitting of the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington held at 2940, Route 327 this Tuesday, February 11th, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

Present and forming quorum under the chairmanship of Mayor Gabrielle Parr, Councillors Julie James, Chantal Scapino, Richard Francoeur, Robert Dewar, Gerry Clark et Daniel St-Onge.

Director General and Clerk-Treasurer Steve Deschênes is present.

Agenda

- 1. Opening of the special sitting and acknowledgement of the convening procedures**
- 2. Adoption of agenda**
- 3. Work Program - version #1 under the Quebec Water and Community Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024-2028**
- 4. Transmission of the Work program – Version #1 to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, within the framework of the Quebec Water and Community Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024-2028**
- 5. Appointment of an accounting firm as external auditor for fiscal 2024**
- 6. Question period**
- 7. Closure of the special sitting**

1. Opening of the sitting

The special sitting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Mayor Gabrielle Parr declared the meeting in order, given that a quorum was present and that notice of the special meeting had been given to all members of Council, in accordance with the provisions of articles 152 and 156 of the *Quebec Municipal Code*.

2025-02-R018

2. Adoption of agenda

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Robert Dewar

AND CARRIED THAT the agenda be adopted as proposed.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

2025-02-R019

3. Work program – version #1 under the Quebec Water and Community Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024-2028

WHEREAS the Municipality has taken cognizance of the Guide relative to the terms and conditions for the payment of the government contribution under the Quebec Water and Community Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024 to 2028.

WHEREAS the municipality must comply with the terms and conditions of this guide that apply to it to receive the government contribution

confirmed to it in a letter from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

CONSEQUENTLY,

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Robert Dewar

AND CARRIED unanimously to adopt the Work Program, Version No. 1 below, for the year 2024, within the framework of the Quebec Water and Community Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024 to 2028:

WORK PROGRAM – VERSION #1

FOR 2024 – WORK COMPLETED

Chemin de la Rivière Maskinongé

Replacement of ditch culverts in the amount of \$42, 620

PROGRAM FOR 2025 – PROJECTED WORK

No projects

PROGRAM FOR 2026 – PROJECTED WORK

Chemin Parker

Replacement of ditch culverts at a cost of \$104,988

Chemin White

Replacement of ditch culverts at a cost of \$104,988

Chemin de la Rivière Maskinongé

Replacement of ditch culverts, at a cost of \$20,998
Paving 400 m from the bridge, in the amount of \$87,140

For a total of \$421,283 (Note: this amount includes the amount not used in 2024 and 2025 plus the amount to be spent each year, i.e. \$60,550)

FOR 2027 and 2028 - PLANNED WORK

The amount of \$140,428 for each of the years 2027 and 2028.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

2025-02-R020

4. Transmission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of the Work Program – Version #1, within the framework of the Quebec Water and Community Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024-2028

WHEREAS the municipality has taken note of the Guide to the terms and conditions for payment of the government contribution under the Quebec Water and Public Infrastructure Transfer Program (TECQ) for the years 2024 to 2028.

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

CONSEQUENTLY,

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Robert Dewar

AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY THAT:

- The municipality undertakes to comply with the terms and conditions of this guide that apply to it.
- The municipality agrees to be solely responsible for and to hold harmless Canada and Quebec, as well as their ministers, senior officials, employees and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, damages and costs of any kind based on injury to or death of any person, damage to or loss of property caused by any deliberate or negligent act arising directly or indirectly from investments made using financial assistance obtained under the TECQ 2024-2028 program.
- The municipality approves the content and authorizes the sending to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of the attached work program version no. 1 and all other documents required by the Ministry, with a view to receiving the government contribution confirmed in a letter from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
- The municipality undertakes to submit an annual update of its work program during the period from October 1 to February 15 inclusive;
- The municipality undertakes to make the independent investments required of it for the entire five-year program.
- The municipality undertakes to inform the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of any changes made to the work schedule approved by this resolution.

ADOPTÉE À L'UNANIMITÉ

2025-02-R021

5. Appointment of accounting firm as external auditor for fiscal 2024

CONSIDERING THAT an external auditor should be appointed to audit the financial statements and prepare the financial report for fiscal year 2024.

CONSEQUENTLY,

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Gerry Clark

AND CARRIED TO appoint the firm Gariépy Bussière CPA Inc. as external auditor for the 2024 fiscal year as quoted for \$ 21,700 plus applicable taxes.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Question period

The Mayor answers questions from the citizens present at the meeting.

2025-02-R022

7. Closure of the special sitting

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Daniel St-Onge

AND CARRIED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

I, Gabrielle Parr, Mayor, certify that the signing of these minutes is equivalent to the signing by me of all the resolutions contained therein within the meaning of section 142 (2) of the Municipal Code of Québec.

Gabrielle Parr
Mayor

Steve Deschênes
Director General and Clerk-
Treasurer