

Minutes of the special sitting of the Council of the Municipality of Harrington Township held at the Lost River Community Centre situated at 2811, Route 327 on January 31st, 2026, at 3:01 p.m.

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

Councillors Chantal Scapino and Daniel St-Onge are absent.

Director General and Clerk-Treasurer, Steve Deschênes is present.

Agenda

- 1. Opening of the meeting and confirmation of the meeting notice procedures**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Presentation of the 2026 budget and the 2026-2027-2028 three-year capital expenditure program**
- 4. Adoption of the 2026 budget**
- 5. Adoption of the 2026-2027-2028 three-year capital expenditure program**
- 6. Notice of motion for DRAFT BY-LAW 381-2026 enacting the imposition of taxes and compensation for the year 2026**
- 7. Tabling and presentation of DRAFT BY-LAW 381-2026 enacting the imposition of taxes and compensation for the year 2026**
- 8. Question period**
- 9. Closure of the special sitting**

1. Ouverture de la séance

The meeting is called to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Gabrielle Parr confirmed that the meeting was duly convened, given that a quorum was present and that notices of the special sitting had been sent to all Council members in accordance with sections 152 and 156 of the *Municipal Code of Québec*.

2026-01-R014

2. Adoption of the agenda

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Robert Dewar

ET CARRIED THAT the agenda be adopted as proposed.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Presentation of the 2026 budget and the 2026-2027-2028 three-year capital expenditure program

Mayor Gabrielle Parr presents the 2026 budget and the 2026-2027-2028 three-year capital expenditure program.

2026-01-R015

4. Adoption of the 2026 budget

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Julie James

AND CARRIED TO adopt the 2026 budget as presented.

ADOPTED BY THE MAJORITY, 4 in favor and 1 against, including the mayor's dissenting vote.

BUDGET 2026	
ÉTAT DES RÉSULTATS	BUDGET
REVENUS	2026
TAXES SUR VALEUR FONCIÈRE	2 839 322 \$
TAXES SUR AUTRE BASE	353 377 \$
TENANT LIEU DE TAXES	72 974 \$
TRANSFERT	524 036 \$
AUTRES SERVICES	5 730 \$
IMPOSITION DE DROITS	195 000 \$
AMENDES	5 000 \$
INTÉRÊTS	149 853 \$
AUTRES REVENUS	28 950 \$
EXCEDENT AFFECTÉ	80 000 \$
TOTAL DES REVENUS	4 254 242 \$
DÉPENSES	
ADMINISTRATION	
CONSEIL	194 736 \$
COUR MUNICIPALE	5 000 \$
GESTION FINANCIÈRE	802 773 \$
ÉLECTIONS	7 500 \$
ÉVALUATION	58 324 \$
AUTRES	100 153 \$
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	1 168 486 \$
SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE	515 102 \$
TRANSPORT	
VOIRIE	809 256 \$
ENLÈVEMENT DE LA NEIGE	449 877 \$
ÉCLAIRAGE DES RUES	17 800 \$
TRANSPORT COLLECTIF MRC	11 968 \$
TOTAL TRANSPORT	1 288 901 \$
MATIÈRES RÉSIDUELLES	318 954 \$
URBANISME & DÉVELOPPEMENT	
URBANISME	271 483 \$
DÉVELOPPEMENT- MRC	15 023 \$
TOTAL URB. & DÉVELOPPEMENT	286 506 \$
LOISIRS & CULTURE	
LOISIRS	37 446 \$
CULTURE	542 \$
TOTAL LOISIRS & CULTURE	37 988 \$
SOUS-TOTAL DÉPENSES	3 615 397 \$
FRAIS DE FINANCEMENT	149 106 \$
FINANCEMENT	389 200 \$
AFFECTATION ACTIVITÉS D'INVESTISSEMENT	100 000 \$
TOTAL DES DÉPENSES	4 254 242 \$
SURPLUS (DÉFICIT)	(0) \$

5. Adoption of the 2026-2027-2028 three-year capital expenditure program

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Robert Dewar

AND CARRIED TO adopt the 2026-2027-2028 three-year capital expenditure program as presented.

PROGRAMME TRIENNAL D'IMMOBILISATION	2026	2027	2028	FINANCEMENT
ADMINISTRATION GÉNÉRALE				
Réfection bureau municipal, génératrice et entrepôt municipal	510 125 \$			(1)+(6)
SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE				
Autopompe 1500 gallons		800 000 \$		(4)
TRAVAUX PUBLICS				
Travaux routiers				
Barrage de Lost River	852 326 \$			(1)+(4)
Travaux chemin Harrington - PAVL 2025-2026 Redressement	8 314 532 \$			(1)+(4)
Travaux chemin Rivière-Rouge rechargement granulaire et ponceaux PAVL Redressement 2026	2 081 024 \$			(1)+(5)
Travaux chemins Baie Campbell, White, Cammac PAVL Amélioration 2024-2026 Grande envergure	75 000 \$			(1)+(5)
Travaux chemin Parker - Remplacement de ponceau HA-PC 0113	150 000 \$			(1)
Travaux chemin White asphaltage - km restant + ponceaux (2) +rechargement + fossé	235 000 \$			(1)
Véhicules et équipement				
Acquisitions de radars (4) de vitesse		11 000 \$		(5)
Camion 6 roues - Remplacer l'ancien inter 2012	350 000 \$			(4)
Pépine	325 000 \$			(4)
Remorque Miska pour signalisation		25 000 \$		(5)
Camion pour remplacer le silverrado			50 000 \$	(5)
AMÉNAGEMENT, URBANISME ET DEVELOPPEMENT				
Acquisition des terrains Hydro-Québec mise à l'eau	562 500 \$			(1)+(3)
LOISIRS ET CULTURE				
Parc récréatif - HVCC	38 500 \$			(1)+(5)
TOTAL DES IMMOBILISATIONS				
FINANCEMENT	13 494 007 \$	836 000 \$	50 000 \$	14 380 007 \$
(1) Subventions	8 789 654 \$			
(2) Fonds de roulement	- \$			
(3) Fonds de parcs	12 500 \$			
(4) Règlements d'emprunt	4 009 350 \$	800 000 \$		
(5) Opérations	656 997 \$	36 000 \$	50 000 \$	
(6) Surplus non-affectés	25 506 \$			
	13 494 007 \$	836 000 \$	50 000 \$	14 380 007 \$

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Notice of motion for DRAFT BY-LAW 381-2026 enacting the imposition of taxes and compensation for the year 2026

Mr. Gerry Clark hereby gives notice of motion that, at a subsequent meeting, By-law No. 381-2026 enacting taxes and compensation for the year 2026 will be adopted.

7. Tabling and presentation of DRAFT BY-LAW 381-2026 enacting the imposition of taxes and compensation for the year 2026

Mr. Gerry Clark hereby submits and presents the Draft By-law number 381-2026 decreeing the imposition of taxes and compensation for the year 2026.

BY-LAW NUMBER 381-2026 CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES AND COMPENSATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026

IT IS MOVED BY: _____

AND CARRIED THAT the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington adopt By-law number 381-2026 concerning the imposition of taxes and compensation for the year 2026.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Harrington has adopted its budget for the year 2026.

WHEREAS it is necessary to determine property tax rates and compensation for municipal services for the year 2026.

WHEREAS the financial policy aims to maximize financial, material and human resources in order to control the increase in the tax rate while maintaining a social and financial balance.

WHEREAS a notice of motion was duly given at the regular Council meeting held January 19th, 2026.

WHEREAS a copy of this By-law has been delivered to the members of the Municipal Council in accordance with the provisions of the Quebec Municipal Code (RLRQ, c. C-27.1).

WHEREAS a copy of the By-law is available for public consultation at the beginning of the meeting.

WHEREAS the members of Council declare that they have read said By-law and renounce to its reading.

FOR THESE REASONS,

THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRINGTON ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1 - PREAMBLE

The preamble forms an integral part of the present By-law.

ARTICLE 2 - FISCAL YEAR

The rates and tariffs listed below apply for the 2026 fiscal year.

ARTICLE 3 - GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES

A general property tax is hereby imposed and will be levied on all taxable immovables in the municipality according to their value as shown on the assessment roll at a rate of \$0.2790 per \$100.00 of assessment, for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 4 - SÛRETÉ DU QUÉBEC

In order to pay the costs associated with the Sûreté du Québec, a tax is hereby imposed and will be levied on all taxable immovables in the municipality according to their value as shown on the assessment roll, at a rate of \$0.0532 per \$100.00 of assessment, for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 5 - MRC OF ARGENTEUIL'S CONTRIBUTION

To pay the MRC of Argenteuil's share, a tax is hereby imposed and will be levied on all taxable properties in the municipality according to their value as shown on the assessment roll, at a rate of \$0.0406 per \$100.00 of assessment, for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 6 - FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

To pay the costs associated with the fire protection and public safety service, a tax is hereby imposed and will be levied on all taxable immovables of the Municipality according to their value as it appears on

the assessment roll, at a rate of \$0.0258 per \$100.00 of assessment, for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 7 - DEBT SERVICING

To pay the costs associated with debt servicing, a special tax is hereby imposed and will be levied on all taxable immovables of the Municipality according to their value as shown on the assessment roll, at a rate of \$0.0644 per \$100.00 of assessment, for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 8 - RATES APPLICABLE TO BORROWING BY-LAW 278-1- 2017 - LAC DES ESCLAVES SECTOR

The rates applicable to borrowing By-law 278-1- 2017, as established by By-law, are as follows: To provide for 22.5% of the expenses associated with servicing the debt related to the acquisition of the base of chemin du Lac des Esclaves and the upgrading of said road, a special tax is hereby imposed and will be levied on all taxable immovables bordering chemin du Lac des Esclaves, according to their value as it appears on the assessment roll, at a rate of \$0.0345 per \$100.00 of assessment, for the year 2026.

To provide for 52.5% of the expenses associated with servicing the debt related to the acquisition of the base of Slave Lake Road and the upgrading of said road, compensation is hereby imposed and will be levied from each owner of one or more taxable immovables bordering Slave Lake Road, at the rate of \$249.17, for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 9 - COMPENSATION FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Owners of taxable immovables with a building value of \$10,000 or less are exempt from this compensation if no waste management services are used by these taxable immovables.

In order to pay for waste management services, namely:

- Collection and transportation of waste and miscellaneous refuse
- Collection, transportation and processing of recyclable materials
- Removal of organic materials,

It is, by the present By-law, imposed and will be required, for the year 2026, sufficient compensation from all owners of taxable buildings in the Municipality, this compensation being distributed among them according to the following rate structure, with the exception of dwelling units in the Lac des Spectacles sector:

Residence – for each dwelling:	162.40 \$
Eco Centre – for each dwelling:	<u>42.60 \$</u>
Residual waste	205.00 \$

Business and Industry Facilities – Other premises:	162.40 \$
Eco Centre – Business and Industry:	<u>42.60 \$</u>
Residual Waste	205.00 \$

ARTICLE 10 - Rate for housing units in the Lac des Spectacles sector

To provide for the costs associated with residual materials management services for the Lac des Spectacles sector, a rate of \$320.19 (Ecocentre 42.60 \$ and 277.59 \$ for residual materials) is hereby imposed and will be levied, for each housing unit, for the 2026 fiscal year.

ARTICLE 11 - NUMBER AND DATES OF INSTALLMENTS

All municipal taxes may be paid, at the option of the debtor, in a single installment or in three (3) installments, when the total of such taxes in an account equals or exceeds \$300.00 or in three (3) equal installments as follows:

- 1st installment: 30 days from the date that the tax bills are sent out
- 2nd installment: June 15, 2026
- 3rd installment: September 14, 2026

The latest date on which the first installment of municipal taxes may be paid is the thirtieth (30th) day following the mailing of the tax bill, and any installment subsequent to the first must be paid respectively on the sixtieth (60th) day on which the previous installment may be paid.

If the first installment or single installment is not paid on or before the due date, this first installment or single installment becomes due (only) and bears interest from that date at the rate provided for in Article 13.

If the second installment is not paid on or before the due date, this second installment becomes due (only) and bears interest from that date at the rate provided for in article 13.

If the third installment is not paid on or before the due date, this third installment becomes due (only) and bears interest from that date at the rate provided for in article 13.

When a payment is due on a weekend or statutory holiday, the payment may be made on the next business day without penalty.

All taxes and compensations established and imposable by the present By-law become due and payable at the municipal office or at any Desjardins credit union or banking institute accepting payment.

ARTICLE 12 - OTHER PROVISIONS

The provisions of article 11 also apply to all municipal taxes or compensation levied by the municipality, as well as to municipal tax supplements resulting from a modification to the assessment roll.

ARTICLE 13 - INTEREST RATE ON ARREARS

From the time taxes become payable, any unpaid balance shall bear interest at the annual rate of 15%.

This rate also applies, from January 1, 2026, to all receivables and accounts receivable outstanding prior to the entry into force of these regulations.

ARTICLE 14 - ADMINISTRATION FEES

An administration fee of \$50.00 will be charged to any drawer of a cheque or payment order remitted to the Municipality whose payment is refused by the drawee.

ARTICLE 15 - COMING INTO FORCE

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

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Question period

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9. Closure of the sitting

IT IS MOVED BY: Councillor Gerry Clark

AND CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 3:37 p.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 *Municipality Code of Quebec*.

Gabrielle Parr
Mayor

Steve Deschênes
Director general &
Clerk-Treasurer