Province of Quebec

Municipality of Chichester

Regular meeting of the Chichester Municipal Council held July 8th, 2024 at 7:00pm, held at the Municipal Office.

At which were present, in person, his Honour Mayor Donald Gagnon, Councillors Chrissy Ann Payne, Corey Bissonnette, Dustin Denault and Jacques Fleury.

The Director General, Alicia Jones, is present.

Councillors Louis Schryer and Neil Maloney are absent.

**1.**  **Opening of the meeting**

Mayor Gagnon welcomes everyone and declares the meeting open.

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

075-24/07 Moved by Chrissy Ann Payne to accept the agenda as presented and amended.

Adopted

**3. Conflict of Interest (if applicable)**

None.

**4. Adoption of the minutes**

076-24/07 Moved by Corey Bissonnette that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 10th, 2024 be adopted.

Adopted

**5.**  **Visitors**

 None.

**6.**  **Mayor's MRC report**

 The Mayor presents the report from the MRC Pontiac.

**7.**  **Committee reports**

***Public Security***

Councillor Fleury, Chair of the public security committee, gives a verbal report.

***Roads & Environment***

Mayor Gagnon, Chair of the Roads and Environment Committee, gives a verbal report.

077-24/07 *Brushing*

Moved by Jacques Fleury to approve the brushing along the municipal roads, with equipment rented from Anthony Dunn, as discussed.

Adopted

 ***Planning and development***

Councillor Maloney, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee, being absent; the Mayor gives a verbal report.

The Municipal Inspector's report is received and read.

078-24/07 *Septic Report – 2 Nichabau*

A formal report on the septic inspection at 2, chemin Nichabau is received and read.

Moved by Corey Bissonnette to accept the septic inspection report at 2 chemin Nichabau and close the file regarding possible septic damages; and to authorize the Director General to notify the property owner in writing.

Adopted

***Administration & Finance***

Councillor Schryer, Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee, being absent; the Director General gives a verbal report.

079-24/07 *TECQ 2019-2023 - project work - version #6*

WHEREAS the Municipality is aware of the Guide to the terms and conditions for the payment of the government contribution under the Gas Tax and Quebec Contribution Program (TECQ) for the years 2019 to 2023

WHEREAS the Municipality must respect the terms and conditions of this guide that apply to it in order to receive the government contribution that was confirmed in a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

It is proposed by Councillor Dustin Denault and resolved that :

* The Municipality undertakes to respect the terms of the guide that apply to it;
* The Municipality agrees 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 for claims, demands, losses, damages and costs of any kind based on injury to a person, death of a person, damage to property or loss of property attributable to a deliberate or negligent act arising directly or indirectly from investments made with financial assistance obtained under the TECQ 2019-2023 program;
* The Municipality approves the content and authorizes the sending to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of the attached Work Program #5 and all other documents required by the Ministry in order to receive the government contribution confirmed to it in a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
* The Municipality agrees to meet the minimum capital investment threshold for the entire five-year program;
* The Municipality undertakes to inform the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation of any changes that will be made to the work program approved by this resolution.
* The Municipality hereby certifies that the attached work program version #6 contains true costs realized and reflects the cost estimates of the eligible work.

Adopted unanimously

080-24/07 *Financial Audit 2023*

The 2023 Financial Statements and Audit report are received.

Moved by Chrissy Ann Payne to accept the 2023 financials and audit report and to authorize the Director General to send and publish as required.

Adopted

***Leisure , Recreation , Tourism & Marketing***

Councillor Payne, Chair of the Leisure, Recreation, Tourism and Marketing Committee, gives a report.

**8. Questions from the Public**

None.

**9.**  **Presentation of accounts**

081-24/07 Moved by Corey Bissonnette that monthly bills be approved and paid according to the list distributed.

Adopted

**10.**  **Correspondence**

 *- Invitation to the Municipality of Mansfield-et-Pontefract anniversary celebrations*

*- Thank you card from the Zachary Labre, recipient of the municipal bursary through the Pontiac Scholarship Fund*

 *- Invitation to the Residence Meilleur Golf Tournament*

082-24/07 Moved by Chrissy Ann Payne to approve the expenses for the participation of the Council members to the golf and/or dinner fundraiser for Residence Meilleur.

Adopted

**11.**  **Varia**

 None.

 **12. In-camera session**

 Not required.

 **13.**  **Date of next meeting**

083-24/07 Moved by Jacques Fleury that the next regular council meeting be held on Monday, August 26th, 2024.

Adopted

 **14.**  **Closing of the meeting**

084-24/07 Moved by Jacques Fleury that the meeting be adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Adopted

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I, Donald Gagnon, Mayor, certify that the signing of these minutes is equivalent to my signing of all the resolutions it contains, in accordance with article 142 (2) of the Municipal Code.

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