Province of Quebec

Municipality of Chichester

Regular meeting of the Chichester Municipal Council held October 4th, 2021 at 7:00pm, held at the Municipal Office, 75 rue Notre-Dame, Chapeau, Québec.

At which were present, in-person, his Worship Mayor Donald Gagnon, Councillors Neil Maloney, Corey Bissonnette, Chrissy Ann Payne, Dustin Denault, Louis Schryer and Jacques Fleury.

Director General, Alicia Jones, is present.

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

Mayor Gagnon welcomes everyone and declares the meeting to be open.

**2.Adoption of agenda**

132-21/10 Moved by Louis Schryer to accept the agenda as presented and amended.

Adopted

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

None.

**4.Adoption of minutes**

133-21/10 Moved by Chrissy Ann Payne that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 13th, 2021 be adopted.

Adopted

**5.** **Visitors**

None

**6.** **Mayor’s MRC report**

The Mayor declares having no report.

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

***Public Security***

Councillor Fleury, Chair of the Public Security committee, gives a verbal report.

The Fire Department Committee Meeting Summary is presented.

134-21/10 *Drone training stipend*

Moved by Louis Schryer to approve the same stipend for completion of the drone training as the amount allocated for completion of FF1 course.

Adopted

135-21/10 *Training 2022*

Moved by Chrissy Payne to approve 12 Firefighters to begin their FF1 training in 2022 and to authorize L’Isle-aux-Allumettes to send the official request to the MRC Pontiac, on behalf of Pontiac Ouest Fire Safety Services.

Adopted

136-21/10 *Christmas/Appreciation dinner*

Moved by Neil Maloney to approve the appreciation take-out dinner, in the same format 2020, for firefighters, council members and staff.

Adopted

***Roads & Environment***

Mayor Gagnon, Chair of the Roads & Environment committee, gives a verbal report.

137-21/10 *Final report – Road improvement grant*

WHEREAS the Municipality of Chichester has taken note of the terms of application of the Special Improvement Projects (PPA) component of the Local Road Assistance Program (PAVL) and undertakes to respect them;

WHEREAS the road network for which a request for financial assistance has been granted is under municipal jurisdiction and is eligible for the PAVL;

WHEREAS the work was carried out in the calendar year during which the Minister authorized it;

WHEREAS the work carried out or the inherent costs are eligible for the PAVL;

WHEREAS the V-0321 accountability form has been duly completed;

WHEREAS the transmission of the projects’ expense account was made at the end of the work or no later than December 31, 2021 of the calendar year during which the Minister authorized them;

WHEREAS the payment is conditional on the acceptance, by the Minister, of the accountability report relating to the project;

WHEREAS if the rendering of accounts is deemed to be compliant, the Minister makes a payment to the municipalities according to the list of work he has approved, without however exceeding the maximum amount of assistance as it appears literally announcement;

WHEREAS the other sources of funding for the work have been declared;

FOR THESE REASONS, on the proposal of Councillor Jacques Fleury, it is unanimously resolved and adopted that the Council of Chichester approve the expenses in the amount of $40,799 relating to the improvement work carried out and the inherent eligible costs mentioned in form V-0321, in accordance with the requirements of the Ministère des Transports du Québec, and recognizes that in the event of non-compliance with these, the financial assistance could be terminated.

Adopted

138-21/10 *Project report #2 – Gas Tax (TECQ) grant*

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

WHEREAS the municipality must comply with the terms of this guide in order to receive the government contribution which has been confirmed by a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

It is moved by Councillor Louis Schryer and resolved that:

* The municipality agrees to comply with the terms of the guide that apply to it;
* 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 regarding claims, requirements, losses, damages and costs of all kinds based on injury inflicted on a person, death of that person, damage to property or loss of property attributable to a wilful or negligent act resulting directly or indirectly from investments made with the aid financial obtained under the TECQ 2019-2023 program;
* The municipality approves the content and authorizes sending to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of the attached work program #2 and all other documents required in order to receive the government contribution which was confirmed to him in said letter;
* The municipality undertakes to reach the minimum threshold of fixed assets imposed on it for all of the five years of the program;
* The municipality undertakes to inform the Ministry of any changes that will be made to the work schedule approved by this resolution.
* The municipality hereby certifies that the attached version 2 work schedule includes true realized costs and reflects the estimated costs of eligible work.

Adopted unanimously

***Planning & Development***

Councillor Maloney, Chair of the Planning & Development committee, gives a verbal report.

139-21/10 *Property issue (lot # 6071797)*

Moved by Neil Maloney that Council supports the work of the Municipal Inspector and maintains its original position regarding the issues with the property owner of lot 6 071 797).

Adopted

140-21/10 *Date extension for Property clean-up (lot # 6073232)*

Moved by Louis Schryer to grant an extension of the deadline for clean-up of property bearing lot # 6073232 to November 30th, 2021.

FOR: AGAINST:

Louis Schryer Neil Maloney

Dustin Denault Chrissy Payne

Corey Bissonnette Jacques Fleury

Defeated on Division

141-21/10 *Date extension for Property clean-up (lot # 6073232)*

Moved by Neil Maloney to grant an extension of the deadline for clean-up of property bearing lot # 6073232 to November 12th, 2021.

FOR: AGAINST:

Neil Maloney Dustin Denault

Chrissy Payne Corey Bissonnette

Jacques Fleury Louis Schryer

The Mayor votes in favour of the resolution.

Adopted on Division

142-21/10 *Property clean-up (lot # 6073232)*

Moved by Louis Schryer to permit the screening plant to remain on the property, at the discretion of the property owner.

Adopted unanimously

143-21/10 *Sale Municipal Lot*

The following bids were received following the notice of the sale of lot# 6071931:

Gerard Labre $ 600

Greg Patterson $ 2,050

Moved by Louis Schryer that the Municipality sell the said lot to the highest bidder, Greg Patterson and to authorize the Director General to sign all the required documents.

Adopted

***Administration & Finance***

Councillor Schryer, Chair of the Administration & Finance committee, gives a verbal report.

144-21/10 *Accounting fees*

Moved by Chrissy Payne to approve the requested increase in accounting service fees, by Gerard Labelle, for the year 2022.

Adopted

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

Councillor Payne, Chair of the Leisure, Recreation, Tourism & Marketing committee, gives a report.

**8. Questions from the public**

None.

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

145-21/10 Moved by Louis Schryer that the bills be paid according to the list distributed.

Adopted

**10.** **Reading of correspondence**

None.

**11.** **Varia**

None.

**12. In camera session**

Not required.

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

146-21/10 Moved by Dustin Denault that the next regular Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 15th, 2021.

Adopted

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

147-21/10 Moved by Corey Bissonnette that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25pm.

Adopted

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I, Donald Gagnon, Mayor, certify that the signing of these minutes is equivalent to the signature by me of all the resolutions it contains, according to section 142 (2) of the Municipal Code.

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