Province of Quebec

Municipality of Chichester

Regular meeting of the Chichester Municipal Council held January 15th, 2024 at 7:00pm, held at the Municipal Office.

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

Councillor Chrissy Ann Payne is absent.

The Director General, Alicia Jones, is present.

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

Mayor Gagnon welcomes everyone and declares the meeting open.

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

001-24/01 Moved by Louis Schryer to accept the agenda as presented and amended.

Adopted

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

None.

**4. Adoption of the minutes**

002-24/01 Moved by Louis Schryer that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 4th, 2023 be adopted.

Adopted

003-24/01 Moved by Louis Schryer that the minutes of the special meeting to adopt the 2024 budget of December 11th, 2023 be adopted.

Adopted

**5.**  **Visitors**

None.

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

The Mayor has no report.

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

***Security public***

Councilor 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.

004-24/01 *Support research project – Concordia university*

Moved by Neil Maloney to support the flood history research project presented by Jeannine-Marie Saint-Jacques, from Concordia University, and to agree to provide in-kind support as discussed.

Adopted

***Planning and development***

Councilor Maloney, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee, gives a verbal report.

The municipal inspector's report is received and read.

***Admin & Finance***

Councilor Schryer, Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee, gave a verbal report.

*Notice of motion – Regulation respecting taxation*

A notion of motion is given by Neil Maloney and a draft by-law is presented regarding municipal taxation 2024.

005-24/01 *Annual Contributions and Donations*

Moved by Jacques Fleury to approve annual contributions and donations as follows:

Harrington Hall $1,000

Residence Meilleur $2,500

Student scholarships $250

( DWKS, ESSC and Pontiac Scholarship Fund)

Adopted

006-24/01 *Membership – FQM & ADMQ*

Moved by Neil Maloney to approve the expenses for the 2024 annual memberships, and possible conferences, for the FQM & ADMQ and to authorize the DG to attend the events.

Adopted

007-24/01 *Legal mandate 2024*

Moved by Dustin Denault to approve the legal mandate for 2024, as presented by MeNerio de Candidio from the firm Beaudry-Bertrand.

Adopted

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

Councilor Payne, Chair of the Leisure, Recreation, Tourism and Marketing Committee, being absent, the Mayor gives a report.

008-24/01 *Waterfront park building washrooms project*

Moved by Jacques Fleury to approve the lowest bid as submitted by Construction Morin et Fils Inc. for the installation of the steel building and public washrooms as part of the waterfront park development project, as discussed.

Adopted

**8. Questions from the Public**

None.

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

009-24/01 Moved by Louis Schryer that bills be paid according to the list distributed.

Adopted

**10.**  **Correspondence**

None.

**11.**  **Varia**

* *Discussion regarding the possibility of completing an amalgamation study*
  + *Deferred to the March meeting for resolution*

**12. In-camera session**

Not required.

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

010-24/01 Moved by Louis Schryer that the next regular council meeting be held on Monday, February 12th, 2024.

Adopted

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

011-24/01 Moved by Dustin Denault that the meeting be adjourned at 7:55 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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