Province of Québec

Municipality of L’Isle-aux-Allumettes

Regular meeting of the Municipal Council of L’Isle-aux-Allumettes held Tuesday, May 7th, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Office.

The meeting is open to the public and present are his Worship Mayor Corey Spence and Councillors Brian Adam, Mariette Sallafranque, Nancy McGuire, Patrick Fleming, and Ivan Schryer.

Alicia Jones, Director General, is in attendance.

* + 1. **Opening of meeting**

Mayor Spence welcomes everyone and declares the meeting to be open at 7:00 pm.

1. **Roll call**

Councillor Robert Chafe is absent.

1. **Recording of the sitting**

The current meeting is being audio recorded for administrative purposes.

**4. Adoption of agenda**

069-24/05 Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Fleming, to adopt the agenda as amended.

Adopted

**5. Adoption of minutes**

070-24/05 Moved by Councillor Sallafranque, seconded by Councillor Schryer, to approve the minutes from the last regular Council meeting of April 2nd, 2024, as presented.

Adopted

**6. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None.

**7. Statement of the Mayor**

The Mayor makes his Statement.

**8. Questions from the public**

 *- Mr. Louis Lair:*

  *- questions regarding installation of guardrails on Culbute road;*

The DG confirms that these will be installed this year.

*- Ms. Linda Davis:*

*- questions regarding the resolution relating to the Energy-from-Waste (EFW) project adopted by this Council in March 2023;*

*- asks members of Council if they understood each point in this resolution;*

*- offers studies from Durham region for review;*

*- asks the Mayor if Council of Mayors of the MRC ever met with potential investors for this project;*

The Mayor responds that no investors for this project have ever met with the Council of Mayors.

*- Mr. Jeremiah Nephin:*

*- questioning the grass and sod work completed in the village following the new water/sewer installation;*

*- asking if topsoil can be provided to assist with the lawn transitions;*

 The Mayor responds that the Public Works Department will look into the issue and possibly offer solutions.

*- Mr. Jeremiah Nephin (cont.):*

*- questions the circulation and speed of dump trucks and heavy equipment near the daycare intersection;*

The DG confirms that the Municipality has adopted a ByLaw restricting circulation of all heavy equipment on Rochon, Front, Centennial, etc, pending final approval from the Ministry, and that the local contractors will be notified in writing and signage will be installed.

*- Ms. Noella Chaput-McGuire (with Lisa Chaput):*

*- notifies Council that the private portion of Sikorski Road has now been blocked by a load of material, dropped by the owner Denis Vaillancourt;*

*- questions what the Municipality can do to ensure public safety and to allow access to emergency services;*

The Mayor asks for an update regarding the ongoing Civil Case between these properties and reminds Council that this land dispute must be resolved, privately, in civil court. The Municipality will also consult with their own legal counsel regarding access for emergency services.

*- Ms. Noella Chaput-McGuire (cont.):*

*- asks the Mayor to contact Mr. Vaillancourt directly to inquire about the plans for the load of sand dumped on the access way;*

The Mayor indicates that he would attempt to reach out to Mr. Vaillancourt, but that the Municipality does not have any authority over a civil matter.

 **9. Correspondence**

* *Request from Chapeau Agricultural Society for donation for the Grand Opening of the Marché de Chapeau*

071-24/05 *Donation – Chapeau Agricultural Society*

Moved by Councillor Sallafranque, seconded by Councillor Adam, to approve the donation of $200 to the Chapeau Agricultural Society in support of the grand opening which is planned for June 8th, 2024.

Adopted

* *An email from Joan & Robert Belsher is read, opposing the EFW project*
* *An email from Councillor Robert Chafe is read, supporting Council’s decision, and opposing incineration*

072-24/05 *Incinerator project*

Moved by Councillor Schryer, seconded by Councillor Adam, to rescind the support of the March 2023 resolution (# 031-23-03) as is relates to mass incineration in the Pontiac; however, continue to explore further waste management technologies, including other possible energy-from-waste solutions.

Adopted unanimously

**-** *Councillor Mcguire makes a statement regarding Mayor Spence and thanks him for his courage and leadership shown during this time on the waste management file, particularly concerning the Town Hall presentations, given that he was selected for the challenging task.*

**10. Committee Reports**

 **Land-use, Urbanism & By-Laws**

Councillor McGuire, Chair of Land-use, Urbanism and By-Laws committee, gives a verbal report.

073-24/05 *Discharge of legal lien - Lot # 4 604 548*

Moved by Councillor McGuire, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque, and resolved that this Municipality approves a discharge of the legal lien published against the property located at 126, rue Centennial, bearing lot # 4 604 548, and to authorize that the Director General sign any required documentation.

Adopted

074-24/05 *Minor derogation – Lot # 4 786 829*

Moved by Councillor McGuire, seconded by Councillor Fleming, to approve the request for a minor variance, for the required minimum lot size, for lot # 4 786 829, as presented.

Adopted

075-24/05 *Minor derogation – Lot # 4 786 830*

Moved by Councillor McGuire, seconded by Councillor Schryer, to refuse the request for a minor variance, for the required minimum lot size, for lot # 4 786 830, as presented.

Adopted

076-24/05 *Conditional Usage – RT 38*

Moved by Councillor McGuire, seconded by Councillor Fleming, to approve the conditional usage of short-term rental accommodations, up to a maximum of 3 usages, in zone RT-38, as discussed.

Adopted

077-24/05 *ByLaw 2023-005.002 – RVs and Trailers*

Moved by Councillor McGuire, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque, to approve the revised *ByLaw #2023-005.002 pertaining to the use of Recreational Vehicles and trailers on the territory of the Municipality* and to approve the installation of signage to that effect, as discussed.

Adopted

 **Public Works**

Councillor Schryer, Chair of the Public Works committee, gives a verbal report.

078-24/05 *Surface Treatment Tender 2024-ALLU/CHI-003*

The following bids were received for the public tender for the surface treatment contract, in conjunction with the Municipality of Chichester, 2024-ALLU/CHI-003:

 *Contractor: Price (tax incl.):*

 Entreprises Bourget $ 424,814.17

 Groupe Colas (Sintra) $ 486,716.77

Greenwood Paving $ 644,437.46

Moved by Councillor Schryer, seconded by Councillor Adam, to approve and accept the tender submitted by Entreprises Bourget, of which L’Isle-aux-Allumettes will be responsible for $249,821.76; and to authorize the Director General to execute the contract.

Adopted

079-24/05 *Gravel Crushing Tender 2024-ALLU-004*

The following bids were received for the tender 2024-ALLU-004, by invitation, for the required crushing of granular materials; the following bids were received:

 *Contractor: Price per metric ton:*

 DJB Transport $ 5.85

 Bonnechere Exc. (BEI) $ 6.58

 McCrea Excavation $10.00

Moved by Councillor Schryer, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque, to approve and accept the lowest conforming bid as submitted by DJB Transport, and to authorize the Director General to execute the contract.

Adopted

080-24/05 *Excavator Rental*

Moved by Councillor Schryer, seconded by Councillor Fleming, to ratify the approval of the rental of an excavator from Entreprises JWK, as quoted.

Adopted

 **Community, Culture & Recreation**

Councillor Chafe, Chair of the Community, Culture & Recreation committee, being absent; the Director General gives a verbal report.

**Revitalization**

Councillor Sallafranque, Chair of the Revitalization committee, gives a verbal report.

 **Public Security**

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

 **Administration**

Councillor Adam, Chair of the Administration committee, gives a verbal report.

081-24/05 *Equilibration of the Assessment Roll*

It is moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Schryer and resolved THAT:

The Municipality of L’Isle-aux-Allumettes proceeds with the equilibration of the assessment roll for the next triennial roll 2025, 2026 and 2027; as this process was recommended by the evaluator who observed significant discrepancies between the value levels and that of the selling prices within the municipality and that the work carried out within the framework of the equilibration will allow a recovery of the values on the roll and will promote the maintenance of tax fairness.

Adopted

082-24/05 *List of properties to be sold at Land Sale*

The Director General/Clerk-Treasurer submits to Council, for review and consideration, a statement of property taxes due to the Municipality, as of September 12th, 2024, in order to meet the requirements of Article 1022 of the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec;

It is therefore proposed by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque and resolved :

* + That the said statement be and is hereby approved by Council and that the Director General/Clerk-Treasurer take the necessary steps to have the MRC Pontiac sell all the properties in the municipality whose taxes have not been paid.

Adopted

083-24/05 *Land sale - mandate representative*

WHEREAS the Municipality of L'Isle-aux-Allumettes may bid on and acquire immovables put up for sale for unpaid municipal taxes, and this, in accordance with Section 1038 of the Municipal Code;

WHEREAS certain immovables will be put up for sale for non-payment of taxes, and this, in accordance with Resolution No. 082-24-05;

WHEREAS Council deems it appropriate to authorize the Director General to bid on and acquire certain immovables put up for sale for non- payment of taxes;

It is proposed by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque and resolved that :

* + In accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code, Council authorizes the Director General to bid for and in the name of the Municipality for certain immovables that are the subject of the tax sale to be held on September 12th, 2024, and this, up to the amounts of taxes, capital, interest and costs.

Adopted

084-24/05 *ByLaw 2024-003 – Contract Management*

Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Fleming, to approve the *ByLaw #2024-003 pertaining to the Contract Management* relating to expenditures of at least $25,000, as presented.

Adopted

085-24/05 *Summer students*

Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Mcguire to approve the posting of the summer student positions as approved and funded through the Canada Summer Jobs Grant program.

Adopted

086-24/05 *Chapeau RA student request*

Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor McGuire, to approve the request to allocate a municipal student to the Chapeau RA for their summer Day Camp program, as discussed.

Adopted

 **11. Review of monthly payables**

The list of accounts payables for the month of April is reviewed.

**12. Questions from the public**

 None.

 **13. Varia**

087-24/05 *Advertising – congratulations*

Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque, to approve advertising in the Journal du Pontiac, for congratulations to Épicerie Dubeau Grocery on their 40th Anniversary.

Adopted

 **14. In camera session**

088-24/05 Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Sallafranque, to proceed with the discussions, in-camera, at 8:25pm.

Adopted

089-24/05 Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Schryer, to return to the meeting in progress, at 8:50pm.

Adopted

090-24/05 *Formal legal opinion(s) – Sikorski road*

Moved by Councillor Adam, seconded by Councillor Fleming, to request a formal legal opinion regarding the various issues along the entirety of the chemin Sikorski Road.

Adopted

**15. Date of next meeting**

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 4th, 2024 at 7:00p.m. at the Municipal office.

**16. Closing of meeting**

091-24/05 Moved by Councillor Fleming and seconded by Councillor Schryer that the meeting be adjourned at 8:55pm.

Adopted

 Director General / Clerk-treasurer Mayor

I, *Corey Spence, 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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