Province of Quebec

Municipality of Chichester

Regular meeting of the Chichester Municipal Council held July 7th, 2025 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, Chrissy Ann Payne, Dustin Denault and Jacques Fleury.

Councillor Louis Schryer 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**

099-25/07 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**

100-25/07 Moved by Dustin Denault that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 9th, 2025 be adopted.

Adopted

**5.**  **Visitors**

None.

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

The Mayor gives a verbal report.

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

***Public Security***

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

101-25/07 *Request for repairs to bridge sidewalk*

WHEREAS the Chapeau–Chichester bridge is a vital link between the communities of L’Isle-aux-Allumettes and Chichester, used daily by both motorists and pedestrians;

WHEREAS the sidewalk and approaches on this bridge are currently in a state of disrepair, making them unsafe and inaccessible, particularly for pedestrians, seniors, and residents with mobility challenges;

WHEREAS several residents have expressed concerns regarding their safety and accessibility when crossing the bridge on foot;

WHEREAS the maintenance and repair of this infrastructure falls under the responsibility of the Ministère des Transports du Québec (MTQ);

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Chichester formally request the Ministère des Transports du Québec to urgently undertake the repair and rehabilitation of the sidewalk and approaches on the Chapeau–Chichester bridge to ensure safe use for all pedestrians;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Ministère des Transports du Québec, the Municipality of L’Isle-aux-Allumettes and other neighboring municipalities for their information and support.

Adopted

***Roads & Environment***

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

***Planning and development***

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

***Admin & Finance***

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

102-25/07 *October Council meeting*

Moved by Jacques Fleury to reschedule the October meeting of Council to Wednesday, October 1st at 7pm; in order to comply with the regulations surrounding municipal elections’ period.

Adopted

103-25/07 *Notice of Motion – Remuneration Elections Staff*

A notice of motion is given and a draft ByLaw is presented for the Remuneration rates for the municipal elections staff, for the upcoming municipal elections.

***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**

104-25/07 Moved by Chrissy Ann Payne that bills be paid according to the list distributed.

Adopted

**10.**  **Correspondence**

None.

**11.**  **Varia**

105-25/07 *911 Service Agreement*

WHEREAS the Municipality of Chichester must conclude a service agreement with Bell Canada for the Next Generation 911 service, in accordance with the requirements of the CRTC and the obligations related to emergency services;

IT IS THEREFORE MOVED by Corey Bissonnette and RESOLVED:

1. To authorize the Municipality of Chichester to conclude the Service Agreement with the Next Generation 9-1-1 Authority and Bell Canada.
2. To mandate Ms. Alicia Jones, Director General, as the official representative of the Municipality to sign said agreement and any related documents required to give full effect to this resolution.

Adopted

**12. In-camera session**

106-25/07 Moved by Chrissy Ann Payne to proceed with an in-camera session, at 7:25pm.

Adopted

107-25/07 Moved by Corey Bissonnette to return to the meeting in progress, at 8:05pm.

Adopted

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

108-25/07 Moved by Neil Maloney that the next regular council meeting be held on Monday, August 25th, 2025.

Adopted

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

109-25/07 Moved by Jacques Fleury that the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 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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