

Municipality of Waltham

This public sitting of the Council is recorded.

Minutes of a regular meeting held at the usual place and time on March 10th 2025, under the chairmanship of Her Worship Mayor Mrs. Odette Godin with the presence of the following councilors #2 Mr. Leonard Godin, #3 Mrs. Ramona Marion, #4 Mr. Brendan Adam, and # 6 Mr. Tyler Rochon

Absent: #1 Mrs. Brenda Landry and #5 Mr. Elwood Allard

Mrs. Annik Plante Director General is also present.

Statement by the mayor (Decorum)

01-10-03-25 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by councilor Godin and seconded by councilor Marion to adopt the agenda as presented.

Adopted

02-10-03-25 ACCEPTANCE OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

Moved by councilor Rochon and seconded by councilor Adam, to accept last month minutes as deposited.

Adopted

VISITORS: No visitor are present.

COMMITTEES REPORT

- Arena: No new updates were reported.
- Transfer Site: Councilor Marion expressed concern about the roof over the bins, noting that it appeared to be leaning and that a wooden beam was cracked. Timmy has been asked to inspect the issue and will provide a report at the next meeting.
- Road Committee: No major issues to report; however, Councilor Rochon mentioned having received a few complaints regarding snowbanks in town.

Mayor's report:

Mayor Godin provided an update on her recent activities:

- **MRC Pontiac:** She attended two human resources meetings at the MRC.
- **Environmental Meeting:** Mayor Godin attended an environmental meeting where she highlighted that Nina, the Environment Coordinator for the MRC Pontiac, will be conducting a training session for transfer site employees. She suggested that it would be beneficial for the Town Foreman to attend as well to ensure proper oversight and adherence to best practices.
- **TNO Meeting:** She participated in a TNO (Territoire Non Organisé) meeting.
- **Flood Prevention Meeting:** Mayor Godin attended a flood prevention meeting and requested that the Director General reach out to Evulugen via email to obtain an update on the current status of the Black River and any potential flood risks as the spring thaw approaches.

- **Community Recognition:** Mayor Godin shared the exciting news that a local resident, Rhonda Perry, has been honored with the King Charles III Coronation Medal.
- Mayor Godin informed the council that she recently met with the Director General and Danelle from the MRC Pontiac to discuss the **Participatory Budget** initiative. During the meeting, they outlined the next steps required before launching a public call for project proposals.

One key requirement is the formation of a **Participatory Budget Committee**, which will be responsible for overseeing the process. The committee will include **Mayor Godin, Councillor Marion, and the Director General**, along with **one or two residents**, who have yet to be selected.

03-10-03-25 Authorize subdivision.

Moved by councilor Rochon seconded by councilor Adam that the municipality of Waltham accept the subdivision plan prepared by Alary St-Pierre Durocher under its minutes 19488.

Adopted

04-10-03-25 SIGNS FOR THE TRANSFER SITE BINDS

Moved by Councilor Rochon, seconded by Councilor Marion, that the Municipality of Waltham approve the expenditure for properly labeling the bins at the transfer site to ensure clear and effective identification for users.

Adopted

05-10-03-25 CLSC PONTIAC FOUNDATION

Moved by Councilor Marion, seconded by Councilor Godin, that the Municipality of Waltham approve the purchase of 10 tickets for the CLSC Pontiac Foundation fundraiser taking place on April 5th, 2025. The proceeds from this event will contribute to the purchase of two double bariatric beds and two specialized air mattresses designed to prevent bed sores, benefiting the residents of Manoir Sacré-Cœur.

Adopted

Before concluding the meeting, the Director General shared the following communications with council members:

- **Thank You Card:** The municipality received a thank-you card from the organizers of the Robert Chartrand Memorial Tournament, expressing their appreciation for the municipality's support.
- **Pet Licensing Update:** As of the beginning of 2025 and moving forward, pet identification tags will be issued on a permanent basis. This means that pets will retain the same tag year after year. However, it remains essential for pet owners to renew their pet licenses annually.
- The municipality received a letter from Club Quad Pontiac requesting a meeting with municipal representatives. The Director General has been mandated by the council to arrange this meeting and extend an invitation to all council members to attend.

06-10-03-25 PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Moved by councilor Godin and seconded by councilor Marion to pay the bills of the month in the amount of \$42 183.38.

Adopted

Certificate of availability

I, Annik Plante, Director General of the Municipality of Waltham, certify that there are funds available for the expenses approved above. Given at Waltham, on the 10 day of March 2025.

Annik Plante
Director General/Secretary Treasurer

07-10-03-25 CLOSED

Moved by councilor Rochon and seconded by councilor Marion to close the meeting at 8:09 P.M.

Adopted

Mayor Mrs. Odette Godin

Director General/Secretary Treasure Mrs. Annik Plante
