

**OCTOBER 5, 2020**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Township of Gore's Municipal Council held **IN CAMERA** as authorized by Order No. 2020-004 and 2020-029 by the Minister of Health and Social Services. The meeting is held on **Monday October 5, 2020 at 8 p.m.** by means of telephone and video conferencing.

**ARE PRESENT BY MEANS OF TELECOMMUNICATION:**

Councillors: Donald Manconi (teleconference), Clark Shaw (teleconference), Alain Giroux (videoconference), Shirley Roy (videoconference), Anik Korosec (teleconference) and Anselmo Marandola (videoconference) forming a quorum and presided over by the Mayor, Scott Pearce (videoconference).

The General Manager, Julie Boyer and the Secretary-treasurer, Sarah Channell are also present by way of videoconferencing.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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The mayor calls the present meeting to order at 8 p.m.

**2020-10-210**

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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**WHEREAS** the members of the council have familiarized themselves with the agenda of the present meeting;

**WHEREAS** the following subjects are added to varia on the agenda:

- The undermining of municipal zoning powers and the capacity of citizens to voice their opinions on by-laws affecting their living environment
- Donation to the Holy Trinity Church for the repairs made to the fence between the Community Center and the cemetery

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO ADOPT** the agenda of the present meeting as modified.

**CARRIED**

**2020-10-211**

**AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD THIS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING IN CAMERA**

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**WHEREAS** Order number 2020-004 and 2020-029 from the Minister of Health and Social Services allows the Council to sit in camera and authorizes its members to take part, deliberate and vote at a meeting by any means of communication;

**WHEREAS** it is in the public's interest and it is to protect the health of the population, the members of the Council and the municipal officers that this meeting be held in camera and that the members of the council and the municipal officers be authorized to attend, take part, deliberate and vote by means of videoconferencing.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec  
**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola  
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AUTHORIZE** the present meeting to be held in camera and to authorize the members of the council and the municipal officers to participate by telephone conferencing or by videoconferencing.

**TO ALLOW** this meeting to be recorded and published on the Municipality's web site so that any interested person can watch it.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-212

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

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**WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held September 8, 2020 were given to council members at least seventy-two (72) hours before this meeting;

**WHEREAS** council members declare having received and read them.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi  
**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw  
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting held September 8, 2020 are approved as submitted.

**CARRIED**

**SUBJECTS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

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None

**FIRST QUESTION PERIOD**

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The Mayor invites the public to send in their questions in writing directly to the Municipality or communicate with him by phone.

**TABLING OF THE RESULTS OF THE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES OF  
QUALIFIED VOTERS: BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF SAINT-COLOMBAN 1021  
DECREEING THE ANNEXATION OF A PART OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF GORE**

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The Secretary-treasurer tables the results of the registration procedures of qualified voters regarding by-law 1021 of the city of Saint-Colomban decreeing the annexation of a part of the Municipality of the Township of Gore.

The certificate relating to the registration procedures of qualified voters mentions that the number of applications required to hold a referendum is "4", that the number of signatures in the register is "0", therefore by-law number 1021 is deemed approved.

The certificate forms an integral part of these minutes.

**2020-10-213 ADOPTION OF THE PETTY CASH POLICY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GORE**

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**WHEREAS** a presentation of the policy governing the procedures and the treatment of the petty cash used by the various services of the Municipality was presented to the members of council;

**WHEREAS** Council considers it important to provide guidelines for the presentation and approval of petty cash expenses.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**THAT** the Petty Cash Policy of the Municipality of the Township of Gore be adopted as submitted.

**CARRIED**

**2020-10-214 REDUCTION OF THE EXPENDITURE AND OF THE LOAN FOR BY-LAW 191 TO DECREE A LOAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECOLOAN PROGRAM FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF SEPTIC INSTALLATIONS**

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**WHEREAS** it is necessary to amend by-law number 191 to decree a loan for the implementation of the Ecolan program for the replacement of septic installations, given that the number of participants in the program was such that the amount necessary to cover the costs of the latter is lower than what was provided for in the by-law;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the Township of Gore has decreed, through by-law number 191, an expenditure of \$ 330,000 and a loan of \$ 330,000 for the implementation of the Ecolan program for the replacement of septic installations;

**WHEREAS** the Ecolan program has ended and no other expenses will be applied to it;

**WHEREAS** there remains a balance of \$ 203,000 available to finance under by-law 191 that the Municipality will not be using.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**THAT** the title of by-law number 191 is replaced by the following: "By-law number 191 decreeing an expenditure of \$ 127,000 and a loan of \$ 127,000 for the implementation of the Ecolan program for the replacement of septic installations";

**THAT** article 2 of by-law number 191 is replaced by the following: "The council is authorized to spend a sum of \$ 127 000 for the purpose of the current by-law in the manner of granting financial aid in the form of repayable cash advances. These expenditures are planned for 2015 and 2016.";

**THAT** article 3 of by-law number 191 is replaced by the following: “The Council is authorized to borrow a sum of \$ 127 000 over a period of ten (10) years to cover the expenses provided for in the by-law.”;

**THAT** a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the *ministère des Affaires municipales et de l’Habitation*.

**CARRIED**

**2020-10-215      PROPERTY FILE FOR SALE UNDER CONTROL OF JUSTICE**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 5065-13-1172, lot 5 319 141 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 2015;

**WHEREAS** all attempts to recover the amounts due have been unsuccessful;

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AUTHORIZE** the sale under control of justice of the aforementioned property.

**CARRIED**

**2020-10-216      MODIFICATION TO RESOLUTION 2019-10-240 TITLED: PROPERTY FILES FOR SALE UNDER CONTROL OF JUSTICE**

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**WHEREAS** the amount of unpaid taxes for the immovable bearing roll number 4772-43-2206, lot 5 081 281 has been recovered.

**WHEREAS** it is necessary to modify resolution 2019-10-240 in order to remove the immovable from the list of properties to be sold under control of justice.

IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AMEND** resolution 2019-10-240 to remove the immovable bearing roll number 4772-43-2206, lot 5 081 281 from the list of properties to be sold under control of justice

**CARRIED**

**2020-10-217      TRANSFER OF PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR LOT 5 318 299 IN FAVOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GORE**

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**WHEREAS** the municipality has accepted a donation of lot number 5 318 299 (roll number 4766-83-3224) offered free of charge by Mrs. Dana Aspell;

**WHEREAS** Mrs. Aspell will pay the taxes due on the property;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality has agreed to pay the fees associated with the transfer of the property title as the file corresponds to the transfer of various lots owned by Mrs. Aspell and given to the municipality for the construction of William’s Road ;

**WHEREAS** the Council considers that the lot could be used for future community projects.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO ACCEPT** the donation of lot 5 318 299 given by Mrs. Dana Aspell;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Mayor and the Secretary-Treasurer to sign all relevant documents ensuring the transfer of the property title.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-218

**TRANSFER OF PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR LOT 5 317 375 IN FAVOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GORE**

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**WHEREAS** the municipality has accepted a donation of lot number 5 317 375 (roll number 4170-45-9908) offered free of charge by Mrs. Pelletier;

**WHEREAS** Mrs. Pelletier will pay the taxes due on the property as well as the fees associated with the transfer of the property title;

**WHEREAS** the Council considers that the lot could be sold in the near future.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO ACCEPT** the donation of lot 5 317 375 given by Mrs. Pelletier;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Mayor and the Secretary-Treasurer to sign all relevant documents ensuring the transfer of the property title.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-219

**REQUEST FOR MINOR DEROGATION NO 2020-12: LAC FRÉDÉRIC ROAD, LOT 6 300 388**

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**WHEREAS** a request for a minor derogation was received concerning the property situated on Lake Frederic Road, lot 6 300 388, bearing roll number 4467-03-4550 asking the municipality to consider:

- The construction of a single-family residence at 18 m from the street instead of 20 m (frontal margin) and;
- to allow an encroachment of 5 m in the riparian protection margin and therefore permitting that the edge of the home be at 15 m from the stream instead of at 20 m as required by the by-laws in effect.

**WHEREAS** the Planning Advisory Committee met to review this request and recommends that the minor derogation be accepted;

**WHEREAS** a public notice was given on September 17, 2020 announcing the nature of the request, its scope and how to participate in the 15 day written consultation process regarding this request, and this, in accordance with the law;

**WHEREAS** the Council has received a copy of the request as well as the committee's recommendation and declares having studied it;

**WHEREAS** the Council did not receive any comments concerning this request for a minor derogation;

**WHEREAS** the floor is given to those present at the meeting.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO ACCEPT** the request for a minor derogation 2020-12.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-220

**REQUEST FOR MINOR DEROGATION NO 2020-13: 4 SAHARA STREET, LOT NUMBER 5 317 714**

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**WHEREAS** a request for a minor derogation was received concerning lot 5 317 714 bearing roll number 4368-93-1390, in order to allow for the construction of an accessory building in the front yard, between Sahara Street and the main building, which contravenes article 71 of zoning by-law R-214.;

**WHEREAS** the Planning Advisory Committee met to review this request and recommends that the minor derogation be accepted;

**WHEREAS** a public notice was given on September 17, 2020 announcing the nature of the request, its scope and how to participate in the 15 day written consultation process regarding this request, and this, in accordance with the law;

**WHEREAS** the Council has received a copy of the request as well as the committee's recommendation and declares having studied it;

**WHEREAS** the Council did not receive any comments concerning this request for a minor derogation;

**WHEREAS** the floor is given to those present at the meeting.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO ACCEPT** the request for a minor derogation 2020-13.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-221

**PAYMENT OF THE FIRST 5 % OF THE RETAINER HELD UNDER THE PROJECT CONCERNING CORRECTION WORK ON BRAEMAR ROAD IN FRONT OF CIVIC ADDRESSES 129 AND 131**

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**WHEREAS** the provisional acceptance of the work regarding tender number 2020-03P for the project concerning correction work on Braemar Road in front of civic addresses 129 and 131 has been confirmed;

**WHEREAS** it is recommended to pay the 5% retainer due for the period covering one year as of September 14, 2020;

**WHEREAS** the applicable retainer amounts to \$ 6 712.19, or 5% of the total cost of the work, taxes included.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO CONFIRM** the provisional acceptance of the work on Braemar Road in front of civic addresses 129 and 131 in relation to the call for tenders number 2020-03P;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the release of the first 5% of the retainer and its payment in the amount of \$ 6 712.19, taxes included, to "David Riddell Excavation/Transport".

**CARRIED**

2020-10-222

**PAYMENT OF THE INVOICES CONCERNING THE REPAIR WORK ON LAKE HUGHES ROAD**

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**WHEREAS** the repair work on Lake Hughes Road was subjected to price requests for the use of machinery, supply of aggregates, transportation costs and the disposal of asphalt;

**WHEREAS** the work authorized by resolution 2020-08-184 was completed at the beginning of September;

**WHEREAS** the Assistant General Manager recommends the payment of the work mentioned.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND RESOLVED unanimously by councillors (6):

**TO MAKE** the following payments for the repair work on Lake Hughes Road:

- \$ 5,125.01, taxes included, to Multi-Services M.D. for the machinery,
- \$ 2,017.82, taxes included, to Michel Provost Transit inc, also for machinery
- \$ 62,900.85, taxes included, to David Riddell Excavation Transport for the supply of aggregate and transport
- \$ 9,898.30, taxes included, to the *Centre de tri Argenteuil* for the disposal of asphalt
- \$ 761.13 taxes included, to Multi Route Inc. for dust suppressant.

**THAT** this work be charged to the budget item concerned by the *Programme de subvention de la taxe sur l'essence et de la contribution du Québec (TECQ)* for a total amount of \$ 80 703.11, taxes included.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-223

**2021 SERVICE CONTRACT – CANINE CONTROLLER**

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**WHEREAS** the municipality has received an offer from *Patrouille Canine Alexandre Roy* regarding his services as canine controller for 2021;

**WHEREAS** Mr. Roy offers to continue to act as the canine controller for the municipality at the same rate and under the same conditions as in 2020;

**WHEREAS** the council is satisfied with the work performed by *Patrouille Canine Alexandre Roy* and wishes to enforce the by-law concerning animals within the territory.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AWARD** the contract for the control and recovery of dogs as well as for the application of Municipal By-laws in effect to *Patrouille Canine Alexandre Roy*.

**TO REGISER** the *Patrouille Canine Alexandre Roy* as an additional insured party under the Municipality's responsibility insurance policy;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the general manager to sign a one-year contract in the amount of \$ 21 600, plus applicable taxes, payable in 12 equal installments, covering the period between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31, 2021 and subject to the same terms and conditions as those described in the offer received for 2020.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-224

**MANDATE TO HÉLÈNE DOYON, URBANISTE-CONSEIL INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE IN URBAN PLANNING**

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**WHEREAS** the Municipality is currently working on modifying certain urban planning by-laws;

**WHEREAS** a service offer has been tabled by Mrs. Hélène Doyon, Urbaniste-Conseil Inc for professional assistance in urban planning which includes the analysis of the modifications requested, the drafting of certain articles and the verification that the modifications coincide with other by-laws in effect within the territory.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):



**TO MANDATE** Mrs. Hélène Doyon, Urbaniste-Conseil Inc as a professional consultant for the project to modify certain urban planning by-laws according to the offer deposited on September 29, 2020 having reference number 2020-504.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-225

**MANDATE TO MRS FRANCINE NAULT, NOTARY FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE COMMERCIAL LEASE REGARDING THE RENTAL OF THE BUILDING AT 45 CAMBRIA ROAD TO THE CPE "LE RÊVE DE CAILLETTE"**

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**WHEREAS** the commercial lease between the Municipality of the Township of Gore and the "Rêve de Caillette" day care center ends in November 2020;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality has formally committed itself by adopting resolution 2020-03-050 to renew the commercial lease with the "Rêve de Caillette" childcare center for a minimum of 5 years following its expiry;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality wishes to mandate a Notary to proceed with the renewal of the lease.

**IT IS MOVED BY:** Councillor Shirley Roy

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Anik Korosec

**AND RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO MANDATE** Mrs. Francine Nault, Notary, to prepare the documents necessary for the renewal of the Commercial Lease between the Municipality of the Township of Gore and the "Le Rêve de Caillette" childcare center according to the conditions negotiated between the two parties;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Mayor, Mr. Scott Pearce and Ms. Julie Boyer, the General Manager to sign the new lease.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-226

**APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR TRAINING OF VOLUNTEER OR PART-TIME FIREFIGHTERS FROM THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC SECURITY**

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**WHEREAS** the *"Regulation respecting the conditions governing the exercise of functions within a municipal fire safety service"* provides training requirements for firefighters in order to ensure minimum professional qualifications;

**WHEREAS** this regulation is part of a desire to ensure that municipalities forming fire crews have the skills and abilities necessary to respond effectively to emergencies;

**WHEREAS** in December 2014, the Quebec government established the Financial Assistance Program for the training of volunteer and part-time firefighters;

**WHEREAS** this program's main objective is to provide municipal organizations with financial assistance to enable them to have a sufficient number of trained firefighters and to effectively and safely act in emergency situations;

**WHEREAS** this program also aims to promote the acquisition of expertise and basic skills required by volunteer and part-time firefighters working in municipal fire departments;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the Township of Gore wishes to benefit from the financial support offered by this program;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the Township of Gore foresees training for 6 firefighters for the "Auto pump" training program, 7 firefighters for the "Extrication" training program and 8 firefighters for the water rescue program during the next year to respond effectively and safely in emergency situations within its territory;

**WHEREAS** the municipality must send its application to the Minister of Public Security through the MRC d'Argenteuil in accordance with Article 6 of the program.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO APPLY** for financial assistance under the Financial Assistance Program for training of volunteer or part-time firefighters from the Minister of Public Security and forward the request to the MRC d'Argenteuil.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-227

**AWARDING OF FINANCIAL AID FOR THE SNOW REMOVAL OF CERTAIN PRIVATE STREETS**

**WHEREAS** the municipality has received requests under by-law 239 concerning a financial aid programme to help resident associations with snow removal;

**WHEREAS** management has analyzed the requests and has tabled its recommendation with the members of Council

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO GRANT** financial assistance for the 2020-2021 snow removal of the following streets:

Name of Street	Snow removal estimate for 2019-2020
des Faisans	\$ 1 172.75 taxes included
Côteau-des-Érables	\$ 5 371.63 taxes included
des Violettes et des Asters	\$ 9 853.35 taxes included
Henderson	\$ 9 198.00 taxes included
des Cygnes	\$ 1 167.00 taxes included
des Bernaches	\$ 1 494.68 taxes included
des Alouettes	\$ 3 518.23 taxes included
Lafleur	\$ 1 500.00 taxes included
Pointe-aux-Bleuets	\$ 2 012.06 taxes included
des Irlandais	\$ 2 600.00 taxes included
My Estate	\$ 5 858.72 taxes included
es Lotus	\$ 1 069.26 taxes included

Hrvacic	\$ 3 495.24 taxes included
Charles-Rodrigue	\$ 4 599.00 taxes included
Rossignols	\$ 1 069.26 taxes included
Racine	\$ 2 000.00 taxes included
Chenard	\$ 2 228.21 taxes included
Diane, Monique and Grenon	\$ 3 391.76 taxes included
Érables	\$ 1 069.26 taxes included
Perdrix du lac Grace	\$ 1 069.26 taxes included
Sittelles-Bouleaux	\$ 2 638.68 taxes included
Peet and Arc	\$ 3 049.14 taxes included
B&B	\$ 10 502.97 taxes included
Birch (32 side)	\$ 3 400.96 taxes included
Freeman	\$ 1 650.00 taxes included
Loutre	\$ 800.00 taxes included
des Pensées	\$ 1 037.28 taxes included
Pine Point	\$ 2 600.00 taxes included

**TO SPECIFY** that financial aid is awarded conditional to signing the agreement mentioned in article 6 of by-law 239 by the person in charge of the snow removal contract for each street and to their commitment to countersigning the checks issued to the snow removal contractor.

**TO AUTHORIZE** Ms. Julie Boyer, General Manager, to prepare and sign the necessary agreements concerning the financial assistance granted by the Municipality for snow removal of the above mentioned streets.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-228

**AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION 2020-09-203 CONCERNING THE AWARDING OF FINANCIAL AID FOR THE SNOW REMOVAL OF CERTAIN PRIVATE STREETS**

**WHEREAS** Council considers it necessary to add a precision to resolution 2020-09-203 in order to clarify the conditions for awarding financial assistance under by-law 239.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi  
**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola  
AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO CORRECT** the amount of financial assistance for “rue Chenier” to read \$ 2 000.00 instead of \$ 2 012.06;

**TO ADD** the following text to the items resolved in resolution 2020-09-203: “**TO SPECIFY** that financial aid is awarded conditional to signing the agreement mentioned in article 6 of by-law 239 by the person in charge of the snow removal contract for each street and to their commitment to countersigning the checks issued to the snow removal contractor.”

**CARRIED**

2020-10-229

**RECOGNITION OF AN ORGANIZATION FOR THE INSURANCE PROGRAM AVAILABLE THROUGH THE UNION OF QUEBEC MUNICIPALITIES**

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**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the Township of Gore joined the Union of Quebec Municipalities' program regarding damage insurance for non-profit organizations operating within its territory;

**WHEREAS** the "*Association des Propriétaires Gore Wentworth*" is a non-profit organization working within the territory of the Municipality of the Township of Gore and has asked to be recognized by the municipal Council so that it may join and purchase damage insurance offered by the UQM program.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy  
**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec  
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO RECOGNIZE** the "*Association des propriétaires Gore Wentworth*" as an organization recognized by the municipality for the purposes of the UMQ's Property and Casualty Insurance Program.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-230

**MODIFICATION TO THE STATUS OF THE RECEPTIONIST POSITION**

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**WHEREAS** resolution 2020-07-156 described the receptionist posing as a full-time, one-year position;

**WHEREAS** the municipality created the position of coordinator of urban planning services;

**WHEREAS** this new organizational structure is proven to be efficient.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Alan Giroux  
**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw  
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO MODIFY** the status of the receptionist position to a permanent full-time position;

**TO CONFIRM** the hiring of Mrs. Nathalie Geoffrion in the permanent, full-time position of receptionist;

**TO SPECIFY** that the modification to the status of this position does not modify the length of the probationary period relating to the hiring of Ms. Geoffrion, which remains from August 5, 2020 to February 5, 2021.

**CARRIED**

2020-10-231

**CLOSURE OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON**

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**WHEREAS** the applicable employee manual announces the annual closure of the municipal offices of the Township of Gore during the holiday season for a maximum of 10 working days;

**WHEREAS** management ensures the maintenance of essential services during this period;

**WHEREAS** in addition to the 6 statutory holidays that are paid during this period, a maximum of 4 additional holidays may be awarded by the Council;

**WHEREAS** this decision is made annually by the Council.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO FIX** the closing dates of the municipal office between December 21, 2020 and January 3, 2021 inclusively;

**TO AUTHORIZE** additional holidays corresponding to December 21, 22, 23 and 29, 2020.

**CARRIED**

#### **TABLING OF THE MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020**

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During the month, we delivered 61 permits as follows:

23 renewals or new construction permits

04 septic installation permits

02 subdivision permits

32 certificates of authorization (18 of which are residential tree cutting).

#### **TABLING OF THE FIRE SAFETY SERVICE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020**

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The secretary-treasurer tables to the Council the report prepared by the Director of the Fire Safety Service detailing the activities of the service for the month of September 2020.

2020-10-232

#### **APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

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**WHEREAS** Council members have taken note of the report dated October 5, 2020 regarding the invoices and salaries paid in September 2020 and the invoices to be paid for the month of October 2020.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO APPROVE** the accounts and salaries paid for the month of September 2020 and the accounts payable totaling \$ 475 057.85 and authorize their payment;

**THAT** the report dated October 5, 2020 be annexed to the minutes to form an integral part thereof.

**CARRIED**

**THE UNDERMINING OF MUNICIPAL ZONING POWERS AND THE CAPACITY OF CITIZENS TO VOICE THEIR OPINIONS ON BY-LAWS AFFECTING THEIR LIVING ENVIRONMENT**

**WHEREAS** the municipal sector voiced its opposition to the Quebec Government's intention to modify municipal zoning powers, more specifically, the powers that allow main residences to be used as tourist lodging establishments (Airbnb type rentals) as stated within Bill 49 tabled in the fall of 2019 ;

**WHEREAS** this legislative amendment would remove the municipality's right to prohibit Airbnb type rentals of residences within a territory, which is an essential governing power crucial for the proper management of nuisances arising from this type of rental in our communities;

**WHEREAS** the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Habitation, Andrée Laforest, included these contentious provisions in Bill 67 titled "*Loi instaurant un nouveau régime d'aménagement dans les zones inondables des lacs et des cours d'eau, octroyant temporairement aux municipalités des pouvoirs visant à répondre à certains besoins et modifiant diverses dispositions*" tabled at the National Assembly on September 30, 2020,

**WHEREAS** the ability to adopt zoning by-laws that determine and regulate land usage is a fundamental power entrusted to municipalities and is linked to their responsibilities regarding the management and the development of their territory as set out in the Act respecting land use planning and development;

**WHEREAS** it is important for municipalities to be able to prohibit tourist accommodation establishments operated in residences (Airbnb type rentals) in areas where this use is incompatible with the surrounding environment;

**WHEREAS** it is unacceptable that the Quebec Government is considering the withdrawal of zoning powers from municipalities when the National Assembly has repeatedly recognized a municipality's responsibility in maintaining a safe and healthy living environment of quality;

**WHEREAS** the Government's proposal with regards to this law contradicts its recognition of local governments by the National Assembly in 2016;

**WHEREAS** the Government's proposal also removes the capacity for citizens to express their views on by-laws affecting their living environment as provided for in the zoning modification process used by municipalities;

**WHEREAS** the Quebec Government has not produced clear motives for withdrawing zoning powers from municipalities within this bill.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**THAT** the Municipal Council inform the Quebec Government and the members of the National Assembly of its opposition to Article 81 of Bill 67 entitled “*Loi instaurant un nouveau régime d’aménagement dans les zones inondables des lacs et des cours d’eau, octroyant temporairement aux municipalités des pouvoirs visant à répondre à certains besoins et modifiant diverses dispositions*”;

**THAT** the Municipal Council informs the provincial government that this article of Bill 67 is an insult to local governments;

**THAT** the Municipal Council requests that the Quebec Government remove article 81 from Bill 67, leaving it in bill 49 so that it may be discussed further in order to find a reasonable solution that would allow municipalities to retain their zoning powers, take on their responsibility to maintain a quality, safe and healthy living environment as well as to ensure that the rights of citizens to express their views on by-laws effecting their territory be preserved;

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Quebec, Mr. François Legault, to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Habitation, Ms. Andrée Laforest, to the Minister of Tourism, Ms. Caroline Proulx, to the Leader of the Official opposition, Ms. Dominique Anglade, to the Leader of the Second opposition, Ms. Manon Massé, to the Leader of the Third opposition, Mr. Pascal Bérubé, to the deputy of Argenteuil and to the members of the National Assembly’s parliamentary committee on regional planning;

**THAT** a copy of this resolution also be sent to the Quebec Federation of Municipalities (FQM) and to the media in our region.

**CARRIED**

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**DONATION TO THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH FOR THE REPAIRS MADE TO THE FENCE BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY CENTER AND THE CEMETERY**

**WHEREAS** a request was received by the members of Holy Trinity Church regarding the cost of repairing the fence between the community center and the cemetery;

**WHEREAS** the church concert series could not take place this summer;

**WHEREAS** Council considers it important to support the church.

**IS MOVED BY:** Councillor Anselmo Marandola

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Shirley Roy

**AND RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AUTHORIZE** a donation to the Holy Trinity Church in the amount of \$ 2 550.00.

**CARRIED**

**SECOND QUESTION PERIOD**

The Mayor invites the public to send in their questions directly to the Municipality.

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**ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

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IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO CLOSE** the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

PROPOSED