

DECEMBER 17, 2020

Minutes of the special 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 **Thursday December 17, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Trinity Community Hall located at 2 Cambria Road in Gore.

ARE PRESENT BY MEANS OF TELECOMMUNICATION:

Councillors: Donald Manconi (audio conference), Clark Shaw (audio conference), Alain Giroux (videoconference), Shirley Roy (videoconference), Anik Korosec (audio conference) 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

The mayor calls the present meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2020-12-284

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO ADOPT the agenda of the present meeting as presented.

CARRIED

2020-12-285

WAIVING OF THE OFFICIAL MEETING NOTICE

WHEREAS the Secretary-treasurer confirms that the members of council received, by email, the notice convening this special meeting;

WHEREAS each member of council had confirmed their attendance or absence by email or by telephone;

WHEREAS this method of convening a special meeting does not comply with the requirements stated within the Municipal Code of Quebec (C-27.1).

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors and the Mayor (7):

THAT the members of council present, unanimously waive the notice of meeting which should have been presented prior to this meeting;

THAT the members of the council also unanimously consent that the subjects presented in the agenda as adopted by resolution 2020-12-284 be discussed and treated at the present meeting.

CARRIED

2020-12-286

AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD THIS COUNCIL MEETING IN CAMERA

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 Clark Shaw

SECONDED BY: Councillor Donald Manconi

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

PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>	
OPERATING REVENUES	
Taxes	2 363 908
MRC d'Argenteuil – Municipality's Share	402 801
Provincial Police Services	465 911
By-law N° 124 – 2003 Fire Truck	21 356
By-law N° 199 – Alouettes Street	3 663
By-law N° 123 – William's Road	40 007
By-law N° 191 – Eco Loan	13 861
By-law N° 192 – Eco Loan FCM	10 063
Garbage and Recycling	281 400
By-law N° 143-1 Special Environmental Protection Tax	195 800
Special Operating Provision	15 525
Roads Subsidies	234 000

Miscellaneous Subsidies	123 000
Real Estate Mutations	255 000
Other Revenues	329 601
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	4 755 895
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Administration	1 313 285
Public security	945 846
Transportation	1 649 355
Environmental Health	570 941
Urbanism	276 581
Leisure and Culture	285 514
Financing Costs	166 144
Fixed Assets Depreciation	(563 957)
Reimbursement of the Debt	337 340
Transfer to investment activities	61 079
Appropriation of Non-Affected Surplus (operating activities)	(286 232)
Appropriation to the Affected Surplus	0
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	4 755 895

<u>INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES</u>	
INVESTMENT REVENUES	
Transfers	966 141
Working Capital Loan	0
Other long term financing	0
Share agreement	0
Allocation to the non-allocated surplus	0
Park fund	52 130
TOTAL INVESTMENT REVENUES	1 018 271
INVESTMENT EXPENSES	
Roads	800 000
Computer equipment	0
Park, rink and trails	260 350
Equipment	9 000
Urbanisme equipment	0
Composters (community)	0
Land	3 000
Properties for Resale	7 000
Ecocenter	0
Operating activity transfer	(61 079)
TOTAL INVESTMENT EXPENSES	1 018 271

The general tax rate for the year 2021 is set at \$ 0.56 per \$ 100 valuation, including the cost for fire protection services. A tax of \$ 0.0951 per \$ 100 valuation will be charged to cover the Municipality's share of the RCM of Argenteuil's costs.

A sectorial tax for the municipalization of Williams Road (by-law 223) is imposed on the 36 lots affected by the project at a rate of \$ 1,111.32 each.

A special tax for the financing of by-law 191 concerning the implementation of the Eco Loan program is imposed on the 20 addresses that have benefited from the program. The amount of this tax varies depending on the content of each agreement signed with the building owners concerned.

A special tax for the financing of by-law 192 concerning the implementation of the Eco Loan program is imposed on the 10 addresses which have benefited from the second loan adopted for this program. The amount of this tax varies according to the content of each agreement signed with the building owners concerned.

The tax for public security services is set at \$ 0.11 per \$100 valuation. A tax of \$ 0.00504 cents per \$ 100 valuation will be imposed to cover financing cost for the fire truck bought in 2003.

Therefore, the total taxation rate for the year 2021 will be \$ 0.77014 per \$100 valuation all in accordance with the 2021 valuation roll deposited by the RCM's professional evaluator on September 14, 2020 in the amount of \$ 423 587 000.

The charge for garbage and recycling removal will be \$ 175.00 per habitable residence.

The special environmental protection tax will be \$ 50.00 per valuation unit. Considering the minimal number of businesses in the municipality and the cost of having another valuation roll prepared, there will be no imposition of a business tax.

The dog and cat licenses will be issued for free. The rate charged for minor derogations remains at \$ 300.00 per request plus publication fees.

Now that Gore's residents can sign up for free at the Lachute library and at the pool, the municipality will no longer reimburse non-resident fees for any other library or pool.

The interest rate is established by resolution. Fees of \$ 5.00 will be added to any reminder notice mailed during the year for any balance of \$ 10.00 and over. Administration fees of \$ 25.00 will be charged for each NSF cheque.

Councillors' remuneration will be increased by 1.02 %. The monthly remunerations in 2020 will be as follows:

	Salary 2021	Salary 2020	Allowance 2021	Allowance 2020
Mayor	1 831.64	1 813.15	915.83	906.58
Councillors	464.60	459.51	232.09	229.75

The municipal employees' salaries for 2021 will be increased by 1.02 % according to the Consumer Price Index published by Statistics Canada. Pay scale adjustments will be applied as per the agreements in effect.

END

2020-12-287 ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS the 2021 budget has been tabled and presented.

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

TO ADOPT the budget for the year 2021 as presented.

CARRIED

2020-12-288 CAPITALIZATION PROGRAM FOR THE YEARS 2021, 2022 AND 2023

During the capitalization program for 2021, 2022 and 2023, the municipality plans to invest in the following projects:

1. Improvements to Lake Hughes, Lake Grace and Lake Barron Roads;
2. Acquisition of land for the park / trails;
3. Acquisition of various equipment for the public works department;
4. Acquisition of various equipment for the fire protection service;
5. Development of the Lac Beattie project;
6. Property intended for resale.

All according to annex A, being an integral part of the minutes.

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

TO ADOPT the capitalization program for 2021, 2022 and 2023 as presented.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

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

2020-12-289 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

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

TO CLOSE the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

CARRIED