

**FEBRUARY 1, 2021**

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 February 1, 2021 at 8 p.m.** by means of telephone and video conferencing.

**ARE PRESENT BY MEANS OF TELECOMMUNICATION:**

Councillors: Donald Manconi (video 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**

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

**2021-02-021 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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

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

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

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-022 AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD THIS 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 Alain Giroux  
**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**

**2021-02-023 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 11, 2021**

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**WHEREAS** the minutes of the regular meeting held January 11, 2021 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 Shirley Roy

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Anselmo Marandola

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

**THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting held January 11, 2021 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.

**NOTICE OF MOTION AND TBLING OF DRAFT BY-LAW 234-01 AMENDING BY-LAW 234 REGARDING THE CLOSURE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ROADS**

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Notice of motion is given by Councillor Alain Giroux that, at a subsequent meeting of the council, **BY-LAW 234-01 AMENDING BY-LAW 234 REGARDING THE CLOSURE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ROADS** will be adopted;

Councillor Alain Giroux tables draft **BY-LAW 234-01 AMENDING BY-LAW 234 REGARDING THE CLOSURE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ROADS** at the present meeting;

Copies of the draft by-law are made available to the public on the Municipality's Web site before the meeting;

Mr. Scott Pearce, Mayor, presents the draft by-law to the members of council and staff present.

**2021-02-024      DISTRIBUTION OF THE EXPLANATORY DOCUMENT REGARDING THE BUDGET AND THE THREE-YEAR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM**

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**WHEREAS** the Municipality adopted its 2021 budget as well as its three-year capital expenditure program for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 at the special meeting of December 17, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.

**WHEREAS** an explanatory document regarding the budget and the three-year capital expenditure program must be distributed in accordance with article 957 of the Municipal Code.

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

**THAT** the explanatory flyer regarding the budget and of the three-year capital expenditure program be distributed free of charge by way of a mass mailing within the territory, in accordance with article 957 of the Municipal Code.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-025      PROPERTY FILE FOR SALE UNDER CONTROL OF JUSTICE – LOT 5 317 379**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 4170-46-7081, lot 5 317 379 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 1999;

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

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

**TO AUTHORIZE** the sale under control of justice of the property bearing roll number 4170-46-7081 and known as lot number 5 317 379.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-026      SEIZING OF A PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES – LOT 5 317 141**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 4169-27-5347, lot 5 317 141 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 2018;

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

**WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the municipality to seize the property for non-payment of taxes instead of a proceeding with a sale under judicial control.

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

**TO MANDATE** the law firm Prévost, Fortin D'Aoust, to seize lot number 5 317 141 for non-payment of municipal taxes.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-027 SEIZING OF A PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES – LOT 5 317 558**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 4269-27-6485, lot 5 317 558 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 1999;

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

**WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the municipality to seize the property for non-payment of taxes instead of a proceeding with a sale under judicial control.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO MANDATE** the law firm Prévost, Fortin D'Aoust, to seize lot number 5 317 558 for non-payment of municipal taxes.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-028 SEIZING OF A PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES – LOT 5 317 908**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 4567-93-0892, lot 5 317 908 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 1999;

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

**WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the municipality to seize the property for non-payment of taxes instead of a proceeding with a sale under judicial control.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO MANDATE** the law firm Prévost, Fortin D'Aoust, to seize lot number 5 317 908 for non-payment of municipal taxes.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-029 SEIZING OF A PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES – LOT 5 317 350**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 4170-42-8893, lot 5 317 350 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 1999;

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

**WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the municipality to seize the property for non-payment of taxes instead of a proceeding with a sale under judicial control.

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

**TO MANDATE** the law firm Prévost, Fortin d'Aoust, to seize lot number 5 317 350 for non-payment of municipal taxes.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-030 SEIZING OF A PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES – LOT 5 318 053**

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**WHEREAS** the file bearing roll number 4667-37-8874, lot 5 318 053 has been in arrears for unpaid municipal taxes since 1999;

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

**WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the municipality to seize the property for non-payment of taxes instead of a proceeding with a sale under judicial control.

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

**TO MANDATE** the law firm Prévost, Fortin D'Aoust, to seize lot number 5 318 053 for non-payment of municipal taxes.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-031 MUNICIPAL RECOMMENDATION FOR WORK IN A WATERWAY – REPLACING AND STABILIZING A RETAINING WALL AT 44 SUNRISE STREET**

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**WHEREAS** the municipality is subject to the provisions in articles 103 to 110 of the Municipal Powers Act (L.C.M., C-47.1);

**WHEREAS** by-law number 82-15 repealing and replacing by-law number 78-13, governing matters relating to the flow of water from rivers located on the territory of the Argenteuil MRC is in effect;

**WHEREAS** the policy and procedures relating to the management of watercourses under the jurisdiction of the MRC of Argenteuil must be applied;

**WHEREAS** a formal request for maintenance and development work in a watercourse on the property situated at 44 Sunrise Street has been submitted for approval;

**WHEREAS** the work consists of repairing and stabilizing a low wall;

**WHEREAS** the work is considered minor and will have a small impact on the watercourse which has a low flow rate;

**WHEREAS** the work is being done on private land at the sole expense of the owner;

**WHEREAS** specifications detailing the work as well as the mitigation and protection measures for the watercourse that will be used during the work has been prepared and submitted with the formal request by the engineering firm, Équipe Laurence Inc. in November 2020.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**THAT** the preamble forms an integral part of this resolution;

**THAT** the council of the Municipality of the Township of Gore does not require the preparation of a detailed table of the watercourse drainage basin;

**THAT** the proposed repair and stabilization work on the wall located at 44 Sunrise Street be authorized.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-032

**REQUEST FOR MINOR DEROGATION NUMBER 2021-01 - 17 FREEMAN STREET, LOT 5 081 848**

**WHEREAS** a request for a minor derogation was received concerning lot 5 081 848 in order to allow for the construction of a single family dwelling to be built at 17 meters from Lake Barron and at 17 meters from the stream crossing the property instead of at a distance of 20 meters as required in the zoning by-law R-214;

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

**WHEREAS** a public notice was given on January 15, 2021 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 has not received any comments concerning this request for a minor derogation.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO ACCEPT** the recommendation deposited by the Planning Advisory Committee;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the request for a minor derogation 2021-01.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-033

**REQUEST FOR MINOR DEROGATION NUMBER NO. 2021-02 – RODGERS ROAD, LOT 5 318 511**

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**WHEREAS** a request for a minor derogation was received concerning lot 5 318 511 in order to allow the construction of a single family dwelling at 10 meters from the lateral property line rather than at 15 meters as required for the Ru-21 Zone. The second aspect of this request is to allow for the dwelling to have a maximum width of 4.88 meters instead of 6 meters as also required for a building in the Ru-21 Zone;

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

**WHEREAS** a public notice was given on January 15, 2021 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 has not received any comments concerning this request for a minor derogation;

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

**TO ACCEPT** the recommendation deposited by the Planning Advisory Committee;

**TO AUTHORIZE** the request for a minor derogation 2021-02.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-034

**AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH A CALL FOR TENDERS BY INVITATION TO REFINANCE THE REMAINING \$ 87 300 OF LOAN BY-LAW 160**

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**WHEREAS** the Municipality must prepare for the refinancing of loan by-law 160 decreeing a loan for the construction of a community center with sports facilities for April 2021;

**WHEREAS** the amount to be financed is \$ 87 300;

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Finance does not supervise financing of amount below \$ 100 000;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality must deal directly with a financial institution for this refinancing.

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

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Director of Finance, Ms. Louise Desjardins to proceed with a call for tenders by invitation in order to request bids relating for refinancing loan by-law 160 in the amount of \$ 87,300 for April 12, 2021.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-035 AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH A CALL FOR TENDERS FOR REPAIR AND DRAINAGE WORK ON LAKE BARRON ROAD**

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**WHEREAS**, by its resolution 2020-09-198, the municipality awarded a contract for professional services for the preparation of the plans and specifications regarding the repair and drainage work on Lake Barron Road to the firm FNX INNOV;

**WHEREAS** the work is admissible for funding under the Gasoline Tax and Quebec Contribution Program (TECQ);

**WHEREAS** the municipality must proceed with a public call for tenders for the said roadwork.

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

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Assistant General Manager to proceed with a public call for tenders regarding the repair and drainage work on Lake Barron Road.

**CARRIED**

**2021-02-036 THANKING THE CITY OF SAINT-COLOMBAN FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF LAROCHE ROAD**

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**WHEREAS** for many years, the maintenance of Laroche Road, owned by Saint-Colomban, was the subject of an agreement between the Municipality of the Township of Gore and the City of Saint-Colomban and was, in the past, a topic of discord between the two municipalities;

**WHEREAS** over the past two years, this agreement has been renewed and improved thanks to the collaboration of both the parties;

**WHEREAS** the City of Saint-Colomban wishes to end the agreement according to which, Gore was responsible for the snow removal of Laroche Road in order to the City to perform its own snow removal of the road starting in the fall of 2021;

**WHEREAS** considerable efforts and investments were taken by the office of Argenteuil's Member of Parliament in order to improve the condition of Laroche Road;

**WHEREAS** the City of Saint-Colomban has made many efforts and investments to improve the condition of Laroche Road and this has made life easier for its users.

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

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Gore thank the City of Saint-Colomban for its diligent maintenance of the road over the past year and for its willingness to take over the snow removal contract as of winter of 2021-2022.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-037

**AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN A MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT CONCERNING SNOW REMOVAL ON LAROCHE ROAD**

**WHEREAS** the 2019 intermunicipal agreement between the Municipality of the Township of Gore and the City of Saint-Colomban concerning the snow removal on Laroche Road was not renewed;

**WHEREAS** the municipality wishes to conclude an new intermunicipal agreement with the City of Saint-Colomban in order to define its responsibilities with regards to the snow removal on Laroche Road which is located within the territory of the City;

**WHEREAS** the City of Saint-Colomban and the Municipality wish to avail themselves of articles 468 and the following of the Cities and Towns Act (RLRQ, c C-19) and articles 569 and the following of the Quebec Municipal Code (RLRQ, c. 27.1) to rightfully conclude the agreement.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Mayor and the General Manager to sign the intermunicipal agreement concerning the snow removal on Laroche Road.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-038

**AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF BEATTIE ROAD, THOMAS-GORE ROAD AND LAC SIR JOHN STREET**

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the Township of Gore wishes to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Lachute in order to define its responsibilities with respect to the maintenance of Beattie Road, Thomas-Gore Road and Lac Sir John Street;

**WHEREAS** the City of Lachute and the Municipality wish to avail themselves of articles 468 and the following of the Cities and Towns Act (RLRQ, c C-19) and articles 569 and the following of the Quebec Municipal Code (RLRQ, c. 27.1) to rightfully conclude the agreement.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Clark Shaw

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO AUTHORIZE** the Mayor and the General Manager to sign the intermunicipal agreement concerning the maintenance of Beattie Road, Thomas-Gore Road and Lac Sir John Street.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-039

**RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND DEMOLITION RESIDUES RECOVERED AT THE MUNICIPAL ECOCENTRE**

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**WHEREAS** the Municipality wishes to take advantage of the renewal option regarding the contract for the collection and management of construction, renovation and demolition residues recovered at the ecocentre with the "Centre de Tri d'Argenteuil" for the period covering January 30, 2021 to January 29, 2022;

**WHEREAS** as a result, the Municipality did not send a notice for the non-renewal of said contract before the month of November as required in article 3.2 of the call for tenders number 2019-10;

**WHEREAS** the total price of the contract with all the renewal options is \$ 457 426.74 taxes included;

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

**TO RENEW** the contract for the collection and management of construction, renovation and demolition residues recovered at the ecocentre with the "Centre de Tri d'Argenteuil" for the period covering January 30, 2021 to January 29, 2022 with the possibility of renewing said contract annually for a maximum of 3 more years.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-040

**OFFICIAL SIGNATURES - SAAQ**

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**WHEREAS** every year, the municipal council must renew the proxy naming its representatives at the SAAQ.

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

**TO AUTHORIZE** Mrs. Diane Chales to sign all necessary documents with the SAAQ regarding all transactions related to all municipal vehicles.

**CARRIED**

2021-02-041

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: FISH STOCKING OF RAY LAKE**

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**WHEREAS** the "Association des riverains du lac Ray" submitted a request for financial aid for the fish stocking of Ray Lake to the Municipality of the Township of Gore;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the Township of Gore has foreseen financial aid for lake associations in its annual budget.

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

**THAT** the Municipality of the Township of Gore give \$ 702 to the “Association des riverains du lac Ray” for the fish stocking of their lake.

**CARRIED**

#### **TABLING OF THE MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR’S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2021**

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During the month, we delivered 12 permits as follows:

- 2 renewals or new construction permits;
- 3 septic installation permits;
- 1 subdivision permits;
- 6 certificates of authorization 1 of which are for residential tree cutting.

#### **TABLING OF THE FIRE SAFETY SERVICE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2021**

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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 January 2021.

#### **2021-02-042 APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

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**WHEREAS** Council members have taken note of the report dated February 1, 2021 regarding the invoices and salaries paid in January 2021 and the invoices to be paid for the month of February 2021.

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

**SECONDED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

**TO APPROVE** the accounts and salaries paid for the month of January 2021 and the accounts payable totaling \$ 382 605.04 and authorize their payment;

**THAT** the report dated February 1, 2021 be annexed to the minutes to form an integral part thereof.

**CARRIED**

#### **SECOND QUESTION PERIOD**

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The Mayor invites the public to send in their questions directly to the Municipality. He encourages residents to remain vigilant and continue to follow government health guidelines. He asks that the population be patient with the distribution of the vaccine against COVID-19.

2021-02-043      **ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

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

**TO CLOSE** the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

**CARRIED**