

JULY 12, 2022

Minutes of the special meeting of the Township of Gore's Municipal Council held at the Trinity Community Hall located at 2 Cambria Road in Gore, on **Tuesday July 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.**

ARE PRESENT:

Councillors: Daniel Leduc, Sakina Khan, Alain Giroux, Shirley Roy, Anik Korosec and Anselmo Marandola forming a quorum and presided over by the Mayor, Scott Pearce.

The General Manager, Julie Boyer and the Clerk-treasurer, Sarah Channell are also present.

CALL TO ORDER

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

2022-07-227

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

WHEREAS all the members of Council are present;

WHEREAS the members of council would like to add two points to the meeting's agenda:

- Property file for sale under control of justice – lot 5 080 461 (Lake Barron Road)
- Appointment of an interim director during the annual vacation period

WHEREAS it is necessary to modify the title of the resolution proposed in point 4 to read:

- Resolution on the rehabilitation of the Solar, Caroline and Barron dams

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

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

TO ADOPT the agenda of the present meeting as modified.

CARRIED

2022-07-228

WAIVING OF THE OFFICIAL MEETING NOTICE

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

WHEREAS article 156 of the Municipal Code of Quebec stipulates that the notice of convocation of a special council meeting must be given to the members of the council at least two days before the day fixed for the meeting;

WHEREAS article 157 of the Municipal Code of Quebec stipulates that failure to comply with the formalities prescribed for calling a special council meeting cannot be invoked when all the members of the council present on the territory of the municipality attend the meeting ;

WHEREAS all council members are present at this meeting.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

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

THAT the council members present unanimously waive the time limit prescribed in article 156 of the Municipal Code of Quebec concerning the delays for the notice of convocation which was to precede this meeting;

THAT the members of council unanimously consent to the discussion and treatment, during the present meeting, of the items on the agenda adopted by resolution 2022-07-227.

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 2022-02-22 be discussed and treated at the present meeting.

CARRIED

2022-07-229

RESOLUTION ON THE REHABILITATION OF SOLAR, CAROLINE AND BARRON DAMS

WHEREAS Council has read the document supporting the decision-making process produced by the municipality's administrative team and sent Council on July 11, 2022;

WHEREAS the Township of Gore owns and monitors 7 anthropogenic dams within its territory;

WHEREAS the Township of Gore takes the safety of its residents and property very seriously and has invested, for decades, in the protection of the environment, which include lakes and forests;

WHEREAS the Township of Gore submitted its safety study for Lake Solar, Caroline and Barron dams to the Ministry of the Environment and the Fight against Climate Change (MELCC) in November 2020;

WHEREAS the study identified that corrective measures to replace the joists and stabilize erosion around the spillways of Lake Solar and Caroline dams must be carried out;

WHEREAS Lakes Solar, Caroline and Barron are hydro-connected and the repair work identified must be carried out when water levels are low and following a downstream to upstream sequence;

WHEREAS the repair schedule submitted by the municipality to the MELCC for approval had proposed the completion of this work by December 2022;

WHEREAS bill 102 adds transitional provisions to the *Loi sur la sécurité des barrages (chapitre S-3.1.01)* including section 159 which indicates that a dam owner who fails to carry out the corrective measures indicated in the implementation schedule approved by the Minister has until November 12, 2023 to comply;

WHEREAS the Township of Gore received authorization from the Ministry to carry out the work at the beginning of 2021;

WHEREAS in the summer of 2021, geotextile was temporarily installed at the Lake Caroline dam to slow the infiltration of water between the wooden joists and thus reducing the permeability of the spillway;

WHEREAS in 2021, the municipality purchased the necessary equipment to carry out the repairs and maintenance required on the Solar, Caroline and Barron dams;

WHEREAS the municipality sent a letter to the Lake Caroline and Lake Solar owners associations on March 29, 2022 informing them of the repair work planned for the summer of 2022;

WHEREAS on April 10, 2022, torrential rains significantly damaged the embankment stabilizing the culvert on Cambria Road which is where William stream, fed by both Caroline and Solar Lakes, crosses under the Road;

WHEREAS on April 11, a mandate was given to an engineering firm to assess the damages and propose repair work to the said culvert;

WHEREAS emergency work has been carried out in the meantime to ensure the flow of local traffic, especially for firefighters;

WHEREAS the municipality has made a request for financial assistance to the Ministry of Public Security for emergency repair work needed to secure the culvert on Cambria Road;

WHEREAS at the beginning of the 2022 summer, a mandate given to an engineering firm for the complete repair of the Cambria Road culvert and the municipality is currently waiting for the repair plans and specifications;

WHEREAS in May 2022, the Township of Gore was one of the municipalities hardest hit by the derecho and was occupied in the months of May and June managing the many significant damages that the gusts caused within the territory;

WHEREAS many residents living along Caroline and Lake Solar lakes, including several cottagers, have not been able to prepare their shoreline infrastructures against the significant lowering of the lake water levels;

WHEREAS the water levels of the bodies of water within the territory are still very high at this time of year making it more difficult to plan out a precise work schedule for the citizens;

WHEREAS the council believes it is more prudent to defer the repair work scheduled on the Solar, Caroline and Barron dams to the summer of 2023.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

THAT the Council commits to informing and supporting lakeside residents of the steps needed for the completion of this repair project, which is essential to the safety of people and property and ensures the sustainability of the lakes;

THAT the municipality will continue to monitor the dams until the work is completed;

THAT Council postpone the work scheduled for the summer of 2022 to the summer of 2023 in order for residents to have more time to secure their property.

CARRIED

2022-07-230

PIIA 2022-48: WILLIAMS ROAD, LOT 5 318 293

WHEREAS a permit request has been submitted regarding the construction of a single family home on lot 5 318 293 situated on Williams Road;

WHEREAS this request is subject to the provisions of by-law 218 relating to site planning and architectural integration (PIIA);

WHEREAS the members of the Planning Advisory Committee studied the request and believe that the project meets the majority of the evaluation criteria detailed in by-law 218;

WHEREAS the Planning Advisory Committee has given a favorable recommendation;

WHEREAS article 148 of the Municipal Code of Quebec stipulates that all documentation useful for decision-making must be available to council members no later than 72 hours before the time set for the start of the meeting, unless there is an exceptional situation;

WHEREAS all council members are present at this meeting.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

THAT Council waives the time limit prescribed in article 148 of the Municipal Code of Quebec concerning the transmission of documents useful for decision-making;

THAT the PIIA 2022-48 regarding the construction of a single family home on lot 5 318 293 (Williams Road) be accepted according to the recommendation adopted by the Planning Advisory Committee during its July 6, 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

2022-07-231

PIIA 2022-49: TRILLIUMS STREET, LOT 5 377 327

WHEREAS a permit request has been submitted regarding the construction of a single family home on lot 5 377 327 situated on Trilliums Street;

WHEREAS this request is subject to the provisions of by-law 218 relating to site planning and architectural integration (PIIA);

WHEREAS the members of the Planning Advisory Committee studied the request and believe that the project meets the majority of the evaluation criteria detailed in by-law 218;

WHEREAS the Planning Advisory Committee has given a favorable recommendation;

WHEREAS article 148 of the Municipal Code of Quebec stipulates that all documentation useful for decision-making must be available to council members no later than 72 hours before the time set for the start of the meeting, unless there is an exceptional situation;

WHEREAS all council members are present at this meeting.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

THAT Council waives the time limit prescribed in article 148 of the Municipal Code of Quebec concerning the transmission of documents useful for decision-making;

THAT the PIIA 2022-49 regarding the construction of a single family home on lot 5 377 327 (Trilliums Street) be accepted according to the recommendation adopted by the Planning Advisory Committee during its July 6, 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

2022-07-232

PIIA 2022-50: O'FARRELL STREET, LOT 5 081 226

WHEREAS a permit request has been submitted regarding the construction of a single family home on lot 5 081 226 situated on O'Farrell Street;

WHEREAS this request is subject to the provisions of by-law 218 relating to site planning and architectural integration (PIIA);

WHEREAS the members of the Planning Advisory Committee studied the request and believe that the project meets the majority of the evaluation criteria detailed in by-law 218;

WHEREAS the Planning Advisory Committee has given a favorable recommendation;

WHEREAS article 148 of the Municipal Code of Quebec stipulates that all documentation useful for decision-making must be available to council members no later than 72 hours before the time set for the start of the meeting, unless there is an exceptional situation;

WHEREAS all council members are present at this meeting.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

THAT Council waives the time limit prescribed in article 148 of the Municipal Code of Quebec concerning the transmission of documents useful for decision-making;

THAT the PIIA 2022-50 regarding the construction of a single family home on lot 5 081 226 (O'Farrell Street) be accepted according to the recommendation adopted by the Planning Advisory Committee during its July 6, 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

2022-07-233

**PROPERTY FILE FOR SALE UNDER CONTROL OF JUSTICE – LOT 5 080 461
(LAKE BARRON ROAD)**

WHEREAS the file bearing roll number 4671-48-7649, lot 5 080 461, 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 Sakina Khan

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO AUTHORIZE a sale under control of justice for the property bearing roll number 4671-48-7649, and known as lot number 5 080 461.

CARRIED

2022-07-234

**APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM DIRECTOR DURING THE ANNUAL
VACATION PERIOD**

WHEREAS the vacation period identified by the General Manager and the Assistant General Manager overlap;

WHEREAS it is necessary to appoint an interim General Manager during the absence of these two members of management in order to ensure the smooth functioning of the municipality.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO APPOINT Ms. Louise Desjardins as interim General Manager for the period between July 25th and July 29, 2022 (inclusively);

TO APPOINT Ms. Sarah Channell as interim Director General for the period between July 30th and August 4, 2022 (inclusively);

TO SPECIFY that the duties of interim General Manager are added to the usual duties held by the appointees.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

A question period was held during which no one prevailed themselves of the right to ask questions.

2022-07-235

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO CLOSE the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

CARRIED