

DECEMBER 14, 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 **Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 7 p.m.**

ARE PRESENT:

Les conseillers et conseillères/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, the Assistant General Manager, Dominique Aubry and the Clerk-treasurer, Sarah Channell are also present.

CALL TO ORDER

The mayor calls the present meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2022-12-374

NOTIFICATION OF THE REGULARITY OF THE NOTICE OF MEETING

WHEREAS the clerk-treasurer certifies that the notice of convocation for this special council meeting was given to all members of the municipal council at least two days before the date of the said meeting, all in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code of Quebec.

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

TO DECLARE that said special meeting is convened and constituted according to law.

CARRIED

2022-12-375

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 Anik Korosec
SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO ADOPT the agenda of the present meeting as presented.

CARRIED

2022-12-376

ADOPTION OF BY-LAW 254 DECREERING THE TAXATION, COMPENSATION AND PRICING RATES FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES FOR THE 2023 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS Council adopted its municipal budget for the 2023 financial year on December 14, 2022;

WHEREAS the Municipal Code of Québec (C-27.1) and the Act respecting municipal taxation (F-2.1) allow the Municipality of the Township of Gore to impose and charge taxes, tariffs and compensations in order to provide for the planned expenses for the 2023 financial year;

WHEREAS a notice of motion and the presentation of the present by-law was given by Councillor Alain Giroux at the regular meeting of December 05, 2022;

WHEREAS a copy of the by-law was given to the members of council 72 hours prior to the meeting where this by-law is presented for adoption;

WHEREAS copies of the by-law were made available to the public at the beginning of the meeting;

WHEREAS the Mayor presented the by-law in accordance with article 445 of the Quebec Municipal Code(C-27.1).

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

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

THAT by-law 254 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2022-12-377

ADOPTION OF BY-LAW 255 DECREERING A LOAN FOR FINANCING OF THE CAMPING PROJECT AT LAKE BEATTIE PARK UNDER THE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE RECOVERY OF THE TOURIST INDUSTRY (PARIT)

WHEREAS the municipality had submitted a request for a subsidy under the assistance program for the recovery of the tourist industry (PARIT) in order to diversify the tourism offer in the park by adding an overnight accommodation option;

WHEREAS the project was approved by the Ministry of Tourism which has submitted a financial assistance agreement for signature by the parties concerned;

WHEREAS a notice of motion and the presentation of the present by-law was given by Councillor Sakina Khan at the regular meeting of December 5, 2022;

WHEREAS a copy of the by-law was given to the members of council 72 hours prior to the meeting where this by-law is presented for adoption;

WHEREAS copies of the by-law were made available to the public at the beginning of the meeting;

WHEREAS the Mayor presented the by-law in accordance with article 445 of the Quebec Municipal Code(C-27.1).

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

THAT by-law 255 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2022-12-378

EXTERNAL AUDITORS MANDATE FOR THE 2022 FINANCIAL YEAR

WHEREAS the municipality must mandate an external auditor to perform the 2022 audit of the municipal finances.

WHEREAS the director of finances has contacted the firm Amyot Gélinas S.E.N.C.R.L. to request a price for auditing services.

WHEREAS the director of finances recommends the giving the 2022 auditor's mandate to the firm Amyot Gélinas S.E.N.C.R.L.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO MANDATE the firm Amyot Gélinas S.E.N.C.R.L. to perform the external audit of the municipality's finances for the year 2022 in the amount of \$ 27 938.93, taxes included.

CARRIED

2022-12-379

AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH A CALL FOR TENDERS BY INVITATION FOR THE GRADING OF THE MUNICIPAL ROADS FOR 2023 WITH RENEWAL OPTIONS FOR THE YEARS 2024 AND 2025

WHEREAS management wishes to outsource the grading of municipal roads for the year 2023 with renewal options for the years 2024 and 2025.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO AUTHORIZE the Assistant General Manager, Mr. Dominique Aubry, to call for tenders by invitation for the grading of municipal roads for the year 2023 with renewal options for the years 2024 and 2025.

CARRIED

Councilor Alain Giroux declares having a particular pecuniary interest in the next subject, namely a family relationship with the owner of the company discussed below. Councilor Alain Giroux confirms that he did not participate and that he will not participate in the deliberations on this subject, that he will not vote and that he will not try to influence the vote.

2022-12-380

AWARDING OF CONTRACT FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE RIPARIAN STRIP OF LOTS 5 080 563 AND 5 080 534

WHEREAS the Municipality is authorized, by a judgement rendered, to carry out renaturalization work on the riparian strip of lots 5 080 563 and 5 080 534, at the expense of the owner;

WHEREAS the municipality requested a quote from two certified service providers to have the work carried out in this fragile environment, namely Groupe Giroux and Gestion Conseil Horti vert;

WHEREAS only Groupe Giroux submitted a bid;

WHEREAS the bid submitted by Group Giroux meets the requirements of the municipality.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AWARD the contract for the renaturalization work on the riparian strip of lots 5 080 563 and 5 080 534 to Group Giroux for an amount of \$ 38 640.00, plus taxes;

TO INVOICE all costs incurred to carry out the work as a property tax.

CARRIED

2022-12-381

AWARDING OF A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STORAGE BUILDING AT LAKE BEATTIE PARK FUNDED UNDER THE FARR GRANT

WHEREAS the Municipality asked the firm Rusticate to provide a cost estimate for the construction of a storage barn for nautical equipment at Lake Beattie Park;

WHEREAS the estimate meets the needs of the municipality;

WHEREAS the Assistant General Manager recommends awarding the contract to the firm Rusticate.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO AWARD the contract for the construction of a storage barn for nautical equipment at Lake Beattie Park to the company Rusticate for an amount of \$ 32 172.60, plus taxes;

TO ALLOCATE the construction costs to the amount reserved for the municipality under the FARR grant.

CARRIED

2022-12-382

ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE LOCAL ROAD NETWORK - SPECIFIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: FINANCIAL REPORT

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore has taken note of the terms of application of the Particular Improvement Project (PPA) component of the Local Road Assistance Program (PAVL) and undertakes to respect them;

WHEREAS the road network for which a request for financial assistance has been granted falls under municipal jurisdiction and is eligible for the PAVL;

WHEREAS the work was carried out in the calendar year for which the Minister authorized it;

WHEREAS the work carried out or the inherent costs are eligible for the PAVL;

WHEREAS the V-0321 accountability form has been duly completed for project no. 00031707 -1 – 76025 (15) – 20220511 -007;

WHEREAS the transmission of the project accounts was made after the work was completed or no later than December 31 of the calendar year during which the Minister authorized it;

WHEREAS the payment is conditional on the acceptance, by the Minister, of the accountability report detailing the project;

WHEREAS if the rendering of accounts is deemed to be compliant, the Minister makes a payment to the municipalities according to the list of work he has approved, without however exceeding the maximum amount of assistance as it appears in letter of announcement;

WHEREAS the other sources of funding for the work have been declared.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

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

TO APPROVE the expenses in the amount of \$ 19 543.43 relating to the improvement work carried out and the eligible inherent costs mentioned on form V-0321 for project no. 00031707 -1 – 76025 (15) – 20220511 -007, in accordance with the requirements of the Quebec Ministry of Transport;

TO RECOGNIZE that in the event of non-compliance with these, the financial assistance will be terminated.

CARRIED

2022-12-383

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT THE FINANCIAL REPORT UNDER THE LOCAL ROADS AID PROGRAM (PAVL), RECOVERY AND ACCELERATION COMPONENT - GRANULAR RELOADING WORK

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore has read and agrees to respect the terms and conditions regarding the application of the Recovery and Acceleration components of the Local Road Assistance Program (PAVL);

WHEREAS, for the project having file number PQD93397 (No. SFP: 154217993), only the work carried out after the date appearing on the announcement letter is eligible for financial assistance;

WHEREAS the work was carried out from May 30, 2022 to June 10, 2022;

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore is submitting following documents to the Ministry:

- the accountability form available on the Ministry's website;
- invoices, progress accounts and any other document attesting to the sums spent (direct costs and incidental costs);
- this municipal resolution approved by council attesting to the end of the work;
- a notice of compliance, a certificate of provisional or final acceptance of the work issued by an engineer, except for sealing, mechanized patching and granular reloading work.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Alain Giroux

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE the presentation of the financial report and rendition of accounts for the eligible work regarding the project having file number PQD93397 (No. SFP: 154217993), according to the terms of the agreement in effect;

TO RECOGNIZE that in the event of non-compliance with these, the financial assistance will be terminated.

CARRIED

2022-12-384

AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE A TEMPORARY, FULL-TIME RESOURCE FOR THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS the Municipality wishes to hire a temporary, full-time resource to ensure the proper functioning of the finance department.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (6):

TO AUTHORIZE the general manager to hire a full-time, temporary employee for the finance department.

CARRIED

2022-12-385

SIGNATURE OF THE AGREEMENT DEFINING THE WORKING CONDITIONS FOR THE FIREFIGHTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF GORE'S FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS the Municipality and the Gore Firefighters Association have been negotiating the terms of their working agreement;

WHEREAS an agreement was submitted on December 2, 2022.

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

TO AUTHORIZE the General Manager to sign the agreement dated December 12, 2022, between the Municipality of the Township of Gore and the Gore Firefighters Association, decreeing the working conditions of the members of the said group, i.e. the firefighters hired by the municipality.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

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

2022-12-386

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

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

TO CLOSE the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

CARRIED.