

NOVEMBER 23, 2023

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 **Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 6 p.m.**

ARE PRESENT:

Councillors: Daniel Leduc, Sakina Khan, Shirley Roy and Anselmo Marandola forming a quorum and presided over by the Pro-Mayor, Alain Giroux.

Justified absences: Scott Pearce (Mayor) and councillor Anik Korosec.

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

CALL TO ORDER

The pro-mayor calls the present meeting to order at 6 p.m.

2023-11-374

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 Anselmo Marandola

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (4):

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

CARRIED

2023-11-375

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 Shirley Roy

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (4):

TO ADOPT the agenda of the present meeting as presented.

CARRIED

2023-11-376

ADOPTION OF BY-LAW NUMBER 262 DECREERING AN EXPENDITURE AND LOAN OF SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ 772 000) FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES

WHEREAS the municipality wishes to purchase lot number 5 317 934 which is strategically located at the intersection of Highway 329, Braemar Road and Cambria Roads ;

WHEREAS the lot is identified in the municipality's Specific Urban Plan as an asset to be acquired for municipal purposes ;

WHEREAS the size, location and zoning of the lot meets the developments needs proposed by the municipality, i.e. for the development of a commerce catered to the needs of residents or the development of municipal infrastructures ;

WHEREAS the municipality has negotiated a purchase price for the lot of seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000), of which thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) will be taken from the municipal growth fund, conditional to the acceptance of the present loan by-law ;

WHEREAS it is noted that the current evaluation of the property was established before excavation and blasting work was done to render the lot accessible and ready for commercial exploitation ;

WHEREAS an independent evaluator will determine the true value of the property;

WHEREAS the purchase of the land avoids future expropriation procedures that are costly and often unpleasant for the expropriated party that has invested in the land ;

WHEREAS by purchasing the property, the municipality can also protect and highlight the wetland situated on the lot ;

WHEREAS the Anglican Diocese of Montreal has made a proposal to Council concerning the sale of Holy Trinity Church, the Parish Hall and its Cemeteries (Shrewsbury and Lakefield) ;

WHEREAS the Municipality has been using Trinity Hall as a community hall and council chamber for over twenty years ;

WHEREAS acquiring the lots also play an important role in achieving the objectives set out in the municipality's Specific Urban Plan ;

WHEREAS Council wishes to acquire lots 5 317 936, 5 319 025, 5 319 026 and 5 079 979 which includes Shrewsbury and Cambria cemeteries as well as Trinity Church and Trinity Community Hall ;

WHEREAS the notice of motion for this by-law was duly given at the special council meeting held on November 20, 2023 and the draft by-law was tabled at the same meeting ;

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 Pro-mayor presents the by-law in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Code of Québec (C-27.1) and explains the following changes between the draft by-law and the adopted by-law, namely:

- The amount of the deposit, \$35,000, has been withdrawn from the loan and will be charged to the Growth Fund, changing the amount borrowed for the purchase of the land on Highway 329 (lot 5,317,934) from \$700,000 to \$665,000 ;
- The addition of \$75,000 for the purchase of land (lots 5 317 936, 5 319 025, 5 319 026) offered by the Anglican Diocese of Montreal ;
- Adjustment of notary fees for both deeds of sale ;
- Adjustment of the temporary borrowing fee to represent the increase in the loan ;
- Adjustment of discount charges (2% of the loan amount).

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED by the majority of Councillors (4):

THAT by-law 262 is adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Councillor Shirley Roy wishes to clarify that she agrees with the loan for the purchase of the land on Highway 329, however she considers that the community has already invested in the church's infrastructure and does not believe that additional investments are justified.

2023-11-377

ALLOCATION TO THE GROWTH FUND FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PURCHASE OF LOT 5 317 934 LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 329, BRAEMAR ROAD AND CAMBRIA ROAD

WHEREAS the municipality wishes to purchase lot 5 317 934 located at the intersection of Route 329, Braemar Road and Cambria Road for an amount of \$700 000 ;

WHEREAS a deposit of \$35,000 is required for this purchase ;

WHEREAS the municipality wishes to allocate an amount from the Growth Fund for the purchase deposit.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (4):

TO DEBIT the budget item of the Growth Fund, number "55-165-01-000" for an amount equal to \$35 000.

TO ALLOCATE the said sum of \$35 000 to the budget item related to the purchase of lot 5 317 934.

CARRIED

2023-11-378

MANDATE TO THE UNION DES MUNICIPALITÉS DU QUÉBEC - PURCHASE OF CHLORIDE USED AS A DUST SUPPRESSANT

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore received a proposal from the Union of Quebec Municipalities (UMQ) to prepare, on its behalf and on behalf of several other interested municipalities, a document calling for tenders regarding a group purchase of products used as dust suppressants ;

WHEREAS articles 29.9.1 of the Cities and Towns Act and the Municipal Code 14.7.1:

- Allow a municipal organization to conclude an agreement with the UMQ for the purchase of materials ;
- State that the rules for awarding contracts by a municipality apply to contracts awarded under this section and the UMQ agrees to comply with these rules ;
- Specify that this contracting process is subject to the UMQ Contract Management Policy for its consolidation agreements adopted by UMQ's Board of Directors.

WHEREAS the UMQ proposal is renewed at each group call for tender on a voluntary basis ;

WHEREAS the Municipality wishes to participate in this group purchase of chloride in liquid solution, in the quantities required for its activities.

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (4):

THAT the Municipality confirm its adherence to the purchasing group set up by the UMQ for the year 2024, potentially 2025 and 2026 and entrust the UMQ with the call for tenders leading to the awarding of grouped purchase contracts for the products used as dust suppressants (liquid chloride solution) necessary for the Municipality's activities ;

THAT in order to allow the UMQ to prepare its call for tenders document, the Municipality undertakes to provide the UMQ with the types and quantities of products it will require by completing the registration form on the portal on the date set ;

THAT the Municipality entrust the UMQ with the responsibility for the analysis of the bids submitted. As a result, the Municipality agrees that the product to be ordered and delivered will be determined following the comparative analysis of the products defined in the tender document ;

THAT if the UMQ awards a contract, the Municipality undertakes to respect the terms of the contract as if it had contracted directly with the supplier to whom the contract is awarded ;

THAT the Municipality undertakes to respect the terms of this contract for its duration; either upon signature of the agreement on October 31, 2024, with the possibility of extending it twice, at the discretion of the UMQ, i.e. until October 31, 2025 and then until October 31, 2026 ;

THAT the Municipality recognize that the UMQ will receive, directly from the successful bidder, as a management fee, a percentage of the amount invoiced before taxes to each of the participants; the said rate is specified in the call for tender's document ;

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Union des municipalités du Québec.

THAT resolution 2023-11-356 is repealed.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

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

2023-11-379

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

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

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (4):

TO CLOSE the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

CARRIED.