Province of Québec Municipality of L'Isle-aux-Allumettes

Regular meeting of the Municipal Council of L'Isle-aux-Allumettes held September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the municipal office in Chapeau.

At which were present his Worship Mayor Winston Sunstrum and Councillors Pat Tallon, Roger Lavoie, Mariette Sallafranque, Pat Montgomery, Nancy McGuire and Louis Lair.

# 1. **Opening of meeting**

The Mayor welcomes everyone and declares the meeting to be open.

# 2. Roll call

All are present.

# 3. Conflict of interest (if applicable)

None.

### 4. Adoption of agenda

201-18/09 Moved by Councillor Lavoie to adopt the agenda as presented.

Adopted

#### 5. Adoption of minutes

Moved by Councillor Lavoie that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be amended and accepted as presented.

FOR AGAINST
Mariette Sallafranque Pat Montgomery
Louis Lair Pat Tallon
Roger Lavoie Nancy McGuire

Mayor votes in favour.

Adopted on division

# 6. Questions from the public

Richard Martineau and Olive Kamanyana:

 Candidate de la Coalition Avenir Québec gives a brief presentation on their vision.

# Lorna Agnesi:

- Questions whether septic systems are allowed to be installed for a trailer at 14 O'Brien Bay Rd. and Why?
- Requests to consider amending the By-Law.
- Requests an update before next summer.

# Gene O-Brien:

- Questions what the Municipality will save by installing water meters
- Questions when the Water meter By-Law was passed?
- Questions if there was a public consultation?
- Questions if the Water meter By-Law was sent to all residents?
- Requests to have a copy of the water meter By-Law
- Questions how much discussion there was about the Water meters By-Law? Colleen Fleming:
  - Gives a report on the delivery of the Welcome Baskets for new residents
  - Acknowledges local business owners, thanks the municipal administrative

staff, and offers her services for the 2019 welcome basket program.

### Maureen Stencil:

- Questions the building By-Laws and regulations for building a shed.
- Gives a brief explanation of her dispute with her neighbor and shows a number of pictures to Council.
- Questions whether she has to use her own lawyer and what is her next step?
- Requests a copy of the building By-Law.

#### Mr. and Mrs. Rivet

- Explains that the ditches at 155 Ch. Desjardinsville are not maintained and water is backing up into their basement.
- Questions an invoice that was send to him from the municipality for fire services being called out for burning during a fire ban.
- Questions who made the call to 911?

#### 7. Correspondence

- Letter of request from a Rate Payer for the purchase of municipal property
- Letter of request from Résidence Meilleur Website
- Thank you letter from Résidence Meilleur
- Thank you letter from rate payers for a bereavement donation to Résidence Meilleur in their name
- Invitation to the Congrès de l'association québécoise d'urbanisme
- Supporting resolutions from the Municipality of Waltham
- Request for donation for the Chutes Coulonge Golf Tournament
- Letter of request from Rate Payer for the replacement of a culvert

### 8. <u>Committee Reports</u>

#### **Administration**

Councilor Sallafranque, Chair of administration, gives a verbal report.

# 203-18/09 <u>Mediation services - MAMOT</u>

Moved by Councilor Sallafranque that the Municipality of L'Isle-aux-Allumettes engage the mediation services from *La Ministère des Affaire Municipales et l'Occupation du Territoire*.

#### Adopted

# FCM grant application

Moved to next committee meeting.

Request from La Ministère des Transports du Québec for the use of the brusher. Moved to next committee meeting.

Offer to purchase lot number 6676-44-3730 and 6676-45-0663 Moved to in camera.

# Tender for Service contact for cleaning

Moved to in camera.

### **Public Security**

Councillor Tallon, Chair of Public Security, gives a verbal report.

# 204-18/09 *Fire Service feasibility study*

Moved by Councillor Tallon that the Municipality of L'Isle-aux-Allumettes is interested in inviting the Municipality of Waltham to join the Pontiac Ouest Fire Department, and to enter into negotiations, pending agreement from the Municipalities of Chichester and Sheenboro.

Adopted

# 205-18/09 Mutual Aid Agreement with the Municipality of Campbell's Bay Fire Services

Moved by Councillor Tallon to enter into a mutual aid agreement with the Municipalities of Campbell's Bay and Litchield Fire Services for the use of their ladder truck when responding to high risk buildings and to give authorisation to the Director General Interim and the Mayor to sign the necessary documents.

Adopted

### 206-18/09 Enter into mediation with the Municipality of Waltham

Moved by Councillor Tallon to enter into mediation with the Municipality of Waltham for discussions about the mutual aid agreement for fire services.

Adopted

# 207-18/09 Ambulance services in the village of Chapeau

Moved by Councillor Tallon to approach the Ambulance services for the full details of their future plans for the station located on Rochon street.

Adopted

#### **Public Works**

Mayor Sunstrum gives a verbal report.

# 208-18/09 <u>Tender for the plans and estimates and supervision services for the PIIRL Program</u>

Moved by Councillor Lavoie to got out to tender for the plans and estimates and supervision services for the roads identified in the PIIRL Program.

Adopted

# 209-18/09 *Amendment to the water meter By-Law*

Moved by Councillor Sallafranque that the staff provide council with a list of residents who have unheated crawl space basements or situations that might interfere with the installation of the water meters.

Adopted

### 210-18/09 Vehicle replacement – Public works pick-up truck

Moved by Councillor Lavoie to purchase an F250 XL from Shawville Ford for \$40,243.00 before tax, TPS \$2,012.15, TVQ \$4,014.24.

Adopted

### 211-18/09 <u>Vehicle replacement – Municipal Inspector</u>

Moved by Councillor Montgomery to rent a vehicle for the Municipal Inspector for the next 5 months.

Adopted

# 212-18/09 Sale of municipal snow plow

Moved by Councillor Lair to sell the single axle and the public works pick-up truck as surplus equipment, within the next 30 days or as soon as possible.

Adopted

### 213-18/09 <u>Tender to purchase a single axle truck</u>

Moved by Councillor Lair to purchase a 2-3 year old single axle truck, including all specs and attachments required for the public works department, and to trade the double axel as a part of the sales contract. And to authorise the DG to sign ownership of said vehicle to a private organisation.

FOR Mariette Sallafranque Pat Montgomery Louis Lair Nancy McGuire AGAINST Pat Tallon Roger Lavoie

Mayor votes against the motion.

Mayor exercises his authority, according to *art. 142 of the Municipal Code of Québec*, and refuses to sign, seal, and execute this resolution. For the following reasons:

- There is no rational for trading a used plow truck to purchase a used plow truck.
- The Director General, who is on maternity leave, the Director General interim, and the Public Works Superintendent have recommended not to sell the double axle truck. A recommendation that is supported by the equipment operators of the municipality.
- The Councillors supporting this resolution do not have the expertise, experience or skills in snow removal of municipal roads.
- The equipment operators have informed the municipality that the double axle truck is in good condition and is a good piece of equipment for the work in our municipality.
- The mayor feels that this motion is motivated by a vendetta, rather than objective and rational decision making.
- The mayor believes that the reasons for selling the double axle truck are weak.
- Council has agreed to enter into mediation service by MAMOT.

# 214-18/09 <u>Motion to retain possession and usage of double axle truck</u>

Whereas

the municipality of L'Isle-aux-allumettes ("the municipality") is in possession of a double axle tandem truck ("the truck") including all necessary equipment, attachments, harnesses etc. required by this municipality to be used to perform a variety of road work in the municipality including but not limited to snow plowing, snow removal, road sanding, application of water and dust suppressants to our roads;

Whereas,

when contemplating a change in the operational practices of a staff/department or in the equipment used by a staff/department in performing its tasks and responsibilities, it is a sound staff management and relations practice to consult with and invite, consider, and respect input from the staff/department that will be affected by the change;

Whereas

the decision to sell the truck was made without any prior consultation with or input from the Public Works Roads Department;

Whereas,

following council's decision to dispose of the truck, in a meeting held between council members and Public Works staff, the Public Works staff were unanimous in recommending that the municipality retain the ownership and use of the truck;

Whereas

the Director General has submitted a report to council which includes a recommendation to retain possession of the truck and continue to use it in performing road work within the municipality;

Whereas

the road crew of the Public Works Department has submitted a recommendation that the municipality retain possession of the truck to be used to perform road work within the municipality for the following reasons:

- The truck has a low-profile box which can be easily loaded;
- It is a heavier truck and more effective for snow plowing;
- It is better equipped to handle the water tank and snow removal;

- It has a "quick-attach" system for attaching the box to the sander and the snow blade;
- The truck is automatic and very versatile;
- Mechanically, it is sound and road certified;
- It is useful in performing small tasks e.g.; ditching/culverts;
- Can be used as an extra bin at the transfer site when bins are filled:

Whereas the truck is in good shape and there are no major problems foreseen

which will need attention in the next few years

Whereas there are no outstanding liens or monies owing on the truck;

Whereas, as in any vehicle trade, it is unlikely that the municipality will

receive full value for the truck and this may potentially result in

added costs to our ratepayers;

Whereas it makes sound fiscal sense to retain and use this truck as long, with

routine servicing and repairs, it remains roadworthy and

operationally sound;

Whereas, in the future, should the truck require major repairs which council

judges to be cost prohibitive, at that time a recommendation by council on whether or not to dispose of the truck could be tabled for

discussion;

It is moved by Councillor Lavoie that the municipality retain possession of the double axle tandem truck and continue to use it to perform road maintenance and repairs within the municipality including snow plowing/removal and sanding on specified routes as decided in council, as well as other road work both in winter and summer (e.g. applying water and dust suppressant, hauling of gravel and materials, ditching, culvert installation and repair, etc.).

FOR AGAINST
Pat Tallon Nancy McGuire
Roger Lavoie Louis Lair

Mariette Sallafranque Pat Montgomery

Mayor votes in favor.

Defeated on division.

### **Marketing**

Councillor McGuire, Chair of marketing, gives a verbal report.

Adoption of ATV By-Law for municipal roads

Moved to next committee meeting.

Municipal Website

Moved to next committee meeting.

# **Family and Seniors**

215-18/09 <u>Purchase chairs for the municipal library</u>

Moved by Councillor McGuire to approves the purchase of chairs for the municipal Library in the amount of \$1 289.88.

Adopted

# 9. Approval of accounts

216-18/09 Moved by Councillor Sallafranque that the bills be paid as per the list presented.

Adopted

#### 10. Questions from the Public

#### Lucas Kaiser:

- States that he is happy with the fire ban sign that was installed.
- States that he is happy with the road work that was done on Rang 4
- Questions if the municipality will correct the drainage problems in the ditches on Rang 4
- Questions if the municipality has a code of ethics and if the municipality provides training for their employees.

#### 11. Varia

#### Request from Résidence Meilleur – Add a page to the municipal website. 217-18/09

Moved by Councillor Sallafranque to allow Résidence Meilleur to create a page on the municipal website on a temporary basis, for one year or until they have their own website built. Résidence Meilleur is responsible for providing the content for their web page.

Adopted

#### 218-18/09 <u>Request for funding – Chutes Coulonge golf tournament</u>

Moved by Councillor Sallafranque to deny the request for funding for the Chutes Coulonge golf tournament, considering that the Municipality has already donated to the Chutes Coulonge and has supported two golf tournaments in 2018.

Adopted

#### 219-18/09 *Request from rate payer – culvert replacement*

Moved by Councillor Lavoie to replace the culvert at 58 Airport rd. The rate payer is responsible for the cost of the culvert, the municipality will cover the cost of the installation.

Adopted

#### CSI committee meeting report

Moved to next committee meeting

#### **12.** In camera session

Moved by Councillor Lair that the meeting continues in camera, 10:50pm. 220-18/09

Adopted

Moved by Councillor Lair to return to the meeting in progress, 11:20pm. 221-18/09

Adopted

#### 222-18/09 Hiring of Grants and projects manager

Moved by Councillor Lavoie to hire Émily Chazelas as a Grants and Projects Manager on contract, 21 hours per week, for 6 months, at \$40.00 per hour.

FOR **AGAINST** Roger Lavoie Louis Lair Mariette Sallafranque Nancy McGuire Pat Montgomery Pat Tallon

Mayor votes in favour.

Defeated on division.

#### 223-18/09 Request from rate payer – purchase of municipal properties

Moved by Councillor Lair to sell property number 6676-44-3730 and 6676-45-0663 to Mr. Keogh for \$1.00 plus the cost of property transfer and notary fees. Adopted

# 224-18/09 <u>Tender for contracted cleaning services</u>

Moved by Councillor Montgomery to go out to tender for contacted cleaning services for the maintenance of the Municipal office, the CLSC, and the St-Joseph's hall.

Adopted

# 13. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held October  $2^{nd}$ , 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office.

# 14. Closing of meeting

225-18/09 Moved by Councillor Lavoie that the meeting be adjourned at 11:25pm. Adopted

Interim Director General – Secretary-Treasurer	Mayor	

I, Winston Sunstrum, Mayor, certify that the signing of these minutes is equivalent to the signature by me of all the resolutions it contains, according to section 142 (2) of the Municipal Code.

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