

MUNICIPALITY OF BRYSON

Regular meeting of the Municipal Council of Bryson held October 16th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office located at 833 Principale Street, Bryson, QC.

Present: Mayor Alain Gagnon, Pro-Mayor Dave Miljour, Councillors Joanne Ralston, Jian Zhang, Serge Lance, Wayne Cameron and.

Also present is Vanessa Dagenais, the Director General, Clerk - Treasurer

Quorum is met and Mayor Gagnon presides over the meeting.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Mayor Gagnon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

*Conflict of Interest Statement –  
A conflict of interest occurs when elected officers are placed in a situation of having to choose between their personal interests, or those of their entourage, and the public interest. The conflict-of-interest sections of the Act respecting municipal elections and referendums are designed to ensure that the decision-making process on a municipal council is not tainted by personal considerations.*

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

2023-10-88      **IT WAS MOVED** by Dave Miljour and unanimously resolved to adopt the agenda for October 16th, 2023 as amended. **Carried**

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2023-10-89      **MOVED** by Serge Lance and unanimously resolved to adopt the minutes of September 11th, 2023. **Carried**

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 **Garage pit on rue Havelock**  
Mayor Gagnon has not received the bottle for the water sample.

4.2 **Meeting with auditor**  
Vanessa will call Simon to schedule a meeting with Council.

4.3 **3-year expenditure plans**  
Postpone to a work session on October 25, 2023.

4.4 **Permit prices**  
Postpone to a working session of October 25, 2023

4.5 **Update - Ch. Du vieux Moulin**  
Waiting for Vallée Pontiac Electric to finish electrical installation.

5. MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Gagnon provided his monthly activity report.

6. QUESTION PERIOD (public)

Council members were able to answer questions from the citizens present.

7. CORRESPONDANCE AND INFORMATION

7.1 Bryson RA - Snowblower

Vanessa will ask municipal employees to look at the snowblower.

7.2 Fire department meeting

Subject postponed to October 25, 2023 work session with firefighters to discuss proposed resolution.

7.3 Green beacon

Communicate and inform council members

7.4 Joint committee for a possible new arena

Councillor Joanne Ralston suggest we ask to have the minutes of the previous meeting to see what is happening.

7.5 ESSC GRADS - PHS GRADS

Council members mention that we have made a resolution concerning the donation of \$150.00 for each student graduating from our municipality.

7.6 Enactment and publication of By-law amending the By-law governing municipal tax for 9-1-1.

Postpone to the work session for more information concerning this tax.

8. ADMINISTRATION

There were no items to raise at this meeting.

9. FINANCES

9.1 Accounts Payable

As confirmed by the accountant, Gerard Labelle CGA, I, Vanessa Dagenais, Director General and Clerk-Treasurer, certify that there are sufficient funds to pay the invoices received in the amount of 145,326.41 \$. Carried

2023-10-90 IT IS PROPOSED by Jian Zhang, and unanimously resolved, that the invoices received in the amount of \$145,326.41 be paid. Carried

9.2 L'Arsenal - Tender for new firefighting equipment.

CONSIDERING that certain firefighter equipment has expired;

CONSIDERING that firefighters need adequate equipment for protections and comply with the law;

2023-10-91 CONSIDERING the need to recruit new firefighters;

IT IS PROPOSED by Dave Miljour and unanimously resolved to approve the two bids from Arsenal for new equipment in the total amount of 7,369.90\$. Carried

9.3 Large snow equipment bid

CONSIDERING we have purchased a Ford F-350 1ton for the winter season;

CONSIDERING we must equip the truck with the equipment required for snow clearing;

CONSIDERING that we have received two (2) bids, one (1) of which was not suitable for our needs.  
which did not meet our needs;

2023-10-92 IT IS PROPOSED by Serge Lance and unanimously resolved to proceed with the

Pro-Fit bid in the amount of \$44,851.32.

Carried

9.4 - Jason Hynes

Jason Hynes has given us a quote of \$18,799.00 for the improvement of certain sections of our streets. We have received an amount of \$20,000.00 for the Local Road Assistance Program.

9.5 To Repeal Resolution 2023-09-84  
Authorization from the Municipality of Bryson for the Christmas Parade

WHEREAS the increase in the cost of living and goods in recent years;

WHEREAS the Municipality has had to make unforeseen purchases;

WHEREAS we must be financially prepared to deal with any unexpected changes;

WHEREAS the signatories for the line of credit are the Mayor, Alain Gagnon, Pro-Maire David Miljour, the Director General, Clerk-Treasurer, Vanessa Dagenais and Gerald Labelle, accountant;

WHEREAS we are only entitled to a maximum increase of \$238,000.00;

WHEREAS this resolution repeals resolution no. 2023-09-84

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IT IS THEREFORE PROPOSED by Joanne Ralston and unanimously resolved to repeal resolution no. 2023-09-84 and authorize an increase in the line of credit to \$238,000.00.

Carried

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 CIMA  
Postpone to the working session of October 25, 2023

11. MEETINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillors provided an update on their respective portfolios.

12. OTHER

12.1 Authorization from the Municipality for the Christmas Parade.

CONSIDERING that the BGCP fire department and Municipality holds an annual Christmas parade;

CONSIDERING that Principale Street must be closed from 501 rue principale to 936 rue principale;

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CONSIDERING that the parade will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m;

IT IS PROPOSED by Dave Miljour and unanimously resolved that the Municipality of Bryson confirms its agreement with the closure of Principale Street on December 1, 2023, and will also provide barricades and detour signs.

Carried

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13. ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED by Wayne Cameron and unanimously resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Carried

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Alain Gagnon  
Mayor

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Vanessa Dagenais  
Director General, Clerk - Treasurer