

MUNICIPALITY OF BRYSON

Regular meeting of the Bryson Municipal Council held on January 06, 2025 at 7 p.m. at the municipal office located at 833 Principale Street, Bryson (Quebec).

Present Mayor Alain Gagnon, Pro Mayor Dave Miljour and Councillors Joanne Ralston, Jian Zhang, Serge Lance, Marc Gauthier and

Also present: Vanessa Dagenais, the Director General and Clerk-Treasurer.

Absent : Wayne Cameron

A quorum was reached and Mayor Gagnon presided over the meeting.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

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

Conflict of Interest Declaration
A conflict of interest arises when elected officials are placed in a situation where they must choose between their personal interests or those of those around them and the public interest. The conflict-of-interest sections of the Municipal Elections and Referendums Act are intended to ensure that the decision-making process within a municipal council is not tainted by personal considerations.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

9.6 3 year spending plan

12.2 Fire Department

12.3 Garbage – Schedule

001-01-2025

IT IS PROPOSED by Joanne Ralston and unanimously resolved to adopt the agenda for 06 January 2025 as amended.

Adopted

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

002-01-2025

IT IS PROPOSED Marc Gauthier and resolved unanimously to adopt the minutes of December 09, 2024 and the minutes of December 16, 2025.

Adopted

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETINGS

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presents his monthly report.

6. QUESTION PERIOD (public)

The members of the council were able to answer questions from the citizens present

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

7.1 Resolution MAMH Concordance

WHEREAS, in accordance with the following borrowing by-laws and for the amounts indicated opposite each of them, the Municipality of Bryson wishes to borrow by notes for a total amount of \$280,000 to be realized on January 13, 2025, distributed as follows:

Borrowing by-laws #	For an amount of \$
289	\$219,600
290	\$60,400

WHEREAS the borrowing by-laws should be amended accordingly;

003-01-2025 **IT IS PROPOSED** by Marc Gauthier, seconded by Serge Lance and unanimously resolved

THAT the borrowing by-laws referred to in paragraph 1 of the preamble be financed by notes, in accordance with the following:

- 1. The notes will be dated January 13, 2025;
- 2. Interest will be payable semi-annually, on January 13 and July 13 of each year;
- 3. Notes will be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer;
- 4. The Notes, as to principal, will be redeemed as follows:

2026.	\$51,700	
2027.	\$53,800	
2028.	\$55,900	
2029.	\$58,200	
2030.	\$60,400	(to be paid in 2030)
2030.	\$0	(to be renewed)

Adopted

7.2 Graduating Graduate

004-01-2025 **IT IS PROPOSED** Joanne Ralston and resolved unanimously to award a scholarship of \$150 per graduate (4) from the Municipality of Bryson

Adopted

8. ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Water Management Technician's Report

No report submitted.

9. FINANCES

9.1 Accounts Payable

As confirmed by the Accountant, Gerard Labelle, CGA, I, Vanessa Dagenais, Director General and Clerk-Treasurer, certifies that there are sufficient funds to pay the invoices received in the amount of \$28,810.60.

005-01-2025 **IT IS PROPOSED** by Jian Zhang, and resolved unanimously, that the invoices received in the amount of \$28,810.60 be paid.

Adopted

9.2. Soumission V03

The general manager will see the possibility of putting the compressors on the TECQ. Subject postpone to a work session.

9.3 BY-LAW TO SET THE PROPERTY AND SERVICES TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR FINANCE 2025 AND THE CONDITIONS OF COLLECTION

WHEREAS under section 244 of the Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., c. F-2.1), the municipality may set several general property tax rates according to the categories to which the assessment units belong;

WHEREAS pursuant to section 252 of the Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., c. F-2.1); the Municipality may set the number of payments greater than those that may be made by the debtor of the property tax;

WHEREAS a Notice of Motion was given by Councillor Joanne Ralston at a regular meeting of Council held on January 06, 2025;

WHEREAS the draft by-law was presented to Council by Joanne Ralston at a regular meeting held on January 06, 2025;

HEREBY BY-LAW , all the members of the Council of the Municipality of Bryson having voted in favour of the adoption of this by-law;

006-01-2025 **IT IS MOVED** by David Miljour and resolved unanimously that this **BY-LAW NUMBER 001-2025** entitled " **By-law to set the rate of property and services taxes for the fiscal year of 2025 and the conditions of collection** " be adopted, and that it be hereby ordered, decreed and ruled as follows, namely:

- 1. The preamble to this Regulation shall form an integral part thereof;
- 2. Property Tax Rates
 - 2.1 The property tax rate is set at **\$0.75 per \$100** of the value entered on the assessment roll for the 2025 tax year on any taxable immovable located on the territory of the municipality.
- 3. Services Tax Rates
 - 3.1 In order to provide for the said payment of these services, sufficient compensation is imposed by this by-law and shall be levied annually, at the same time as the general property tax, with respect to all users served by this service
 - 3.2 This compensation is divided between them, according to the method of taxable units. The value of a unit is determined by the annual amount of the sums required in the budget to provide the said services according to the following table:

Aqueduct	Sewerage	Grey water	Garbage	Recycling	Fire	Service de dette
\$ 670	\$503	\$390	\$360	\$130	\$357	\$448

Taxes on residual materials and fire services are billed at least once per owner.

- 4 Interest rate on arrears
 - 4.1 From the time taxes become due, outstanding balances bear interest at the annual rate of sixteen percent (16%).
- 5 Method of payment of fees
 - 5.1 Annual municipal property taxes must be paid in a single payment. However, when the total in an account is equal to or greater than the amount fixed by the regulation made under paragraph 4 of section 263 of the B.M.A., currently \$300, they may be paid, at the option of the debtor, in a single payment or according to the following table:

1st instalment	25%	April 1
2nd installment	25%	June 1
3rd instalment	25%	August 1
4th installment	25%	October 1st

5.2 Additional municipal property taxes must be paid in a single instalment by the due date indicated on the invoice. Additional property taxes are generated, but are not limited to, in the case of an update of the property's assessment value following renovations, constructions, demolitions or, at any other time according to the MRC Pontiac's assessment service.

6 Implementation and Coming into Force

This Regulation repeals and replaces all other regulations respecting the taxation of taxes and services and will come into force after the formalities laid down in the Act have been completed.

9.4 Approval of Tax Rates

The preparation of the Budget was done in working meetings on December 16, 2024.

SPENT		
General Administration	\$	398,689
Public safety	\$	159,654
Transport	\$	73,715
Environment and health	\$	552,988
Health	\$	3,000
Urbanis et OMH	\$	22,997
Cultural and recreational	\$	55,411
Financing	\$	93,940
Tax reconciliation	\$	116,161
Investing activities \$ 52,254 (capital expenditures)		
TOTAL DEPENSE		<u>\$1,528,810</u>

INCOME		
General Tax	\$	429,959
Drinking water	\$	215,842
Sewer	\$	99 067
Oil change	\$	112 450
Fire Department \$ 124,390		
Local improvement	\$	2 300
Recycling	\$	41 129
Service Debt	\$	151 521
Other services	\$	202 221
Federal Government Service	\$	2 400
Equalization	\$	147 531
TOTAL INCOME		<u>\$1 528 810</u>

IT IS PROPOSED by Joanne Ralston and unanimously resolved that Budget 2024 be accepted with the following rates:

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IT IS PROPOSED by Joanne Ralston to accept the compound rate of assessment-based taxes and unanimously resolved.

	2024 RATES	RATE 2025
General Property Tax	0.97\$/unit	0.75\$/unit
Real Estate Tax		
Aqueduc/ Water		
Residents	782\$/unit	670\$/unit
Hotel/ Motel	773.50\$/unit	670\$/unit
Convenience store/ Grocery store	506\$/unit	670\$/unit
Hairdresser	520\$/unit	670\$/unit
Vidanges \ Garbage		
Residents	405\$/unit	360\$/unit
Égouts \ Sewer		
Residents	531\$/unit	503\$/unit
Hotel/Motel	440\$/unit	503\$/unit
Coiffeuse \ Hairdresser	440\$/unit	503\$/unit
Grey Water		
Recyclage \ Recycling		
Residents	55\$/unit	130\$/unit
Hotel/motel	81\$/unit	191.36/unit
Troubleshooter/ Grocery store	81\$/unit	191.36/unit
Coiffeuse/ Hairdresser	81\$/unit	191.36/unit
Amélioration Locales/ Improvements	\$0.50/ linear foot	\$0.50/ linear foot
Service debt Debt service	446\$/unit	448\$/unit
Compound rates of assessment-based taxes/ Composite rates based on the assessment	0.97\$/100	0.75\$/100
Interest rate/ Interest rate	16%	16%
Service Administration	\$160	\$45

9.5 Bids for the Decontamination Room

Submissions should be viewed in detail during a working session scheduled for January 21, 2025

9.6 3-year spending plan

Discussion postponed to a working session scheduled for January 21, 2025

10. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

11. COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND REPORTS

Councillors Joanne Ralston, Marc Gauthier, Wayne Cameron, Serge Lance and Jian Zhang presented reports and updates.

12. OTHERS

12.1 Fire Truck

The General Manager will send an email to the person concerned to schedule a working session to discuss the fire truck.

12.2 Fire Department

No news on this, we should receive a copy of the agreement in the following week.

12.3 Garbage

The Council clarified the question on the garbage collection situation, for the moment, 4 bags per residence per week until further notice.

13. ADJOURNMENT OF THE SESSION

008-01-2025 **MOVED** by David Miljour and resolved unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 7:26 p.m. Adopted

Alain Gagnon
Mayor

Vanessa Dagenais
Director General, Clerk –
Treasurer

