

MUNICIPALITY OF BRYSON

Regular meeting of the Bryson Municipal Council held on May 04, 2026, at 7 p.m. at the municipal office located at 833 Principal Street, Bryson (Quebec).

In attendance: Joanne Ralston, Mayor and Councillors, David Miljour, Marc Gauthier, Serge Lance and Gerald Stewart.

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

A quorum was met and Mayor Ralston presided over the meeting.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

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

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

041-05-2026 **MOVED** by Marc Gauthier and resolved unanimously to adopt the agenda for May 04, 2026 as amended. Carried

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

042-05-2026 3.1 **MOVED** by David Miljour and unanimously resolved to adopt the minutes of 07 April 2026. Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETINGS

4.1 Budget O.M.H

043-05-2026 **MOVED** by Serge Lance and resolved unanimously that the budget of the Pontiac Housing Authority for the Municipality of Bryson be approved. Carried

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

5.1 The Mayor presents her 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 Transfer site

The Transfer site is now open on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

7.2 CRA Youth Employment Program

The mayor mentions that we had a subsidy for 3 workers with the CRA's youth employment program.

2 students for the day camp with the Bryson Recreation Association and 1 student for the municipality.

7.3 Sponsorship Application – Sieur de Coulonge High School
Postpone to a work session.

8. ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Visit of the Sureté du Québec

No visits from the Sureté du Québec.

8.2 Resolution Programs for the Schema

WHEREAS the Municipality must comply with the requirements of the MRC's Fire Safety Risk Coverage Plan (SCRSI);

WHEREAS the MRC asks the Municipality to adopt the various programs provided for in the Plan in order to ensure adequate management of fire safety on the territory;

WHEREAS these programs are aimed at fire prevention, risk assessment, improved interventions and the protection of citizens and property;

044-05-2026 **IT IS PROPOSED BY** David Miljour;
SECONDED BY Serge Lance;
AND RESOLVED unanimously:

THAT the municipal council adopt the following programs within the framework of the Fire Safety Risk Coverage Scheme (SCRSI):

- Risk Analysis and Classification Program;
- Municipal Fire Safety Regulation Program;
- Vehicle Inspection, Assessment and Replacement Program;
- Programme for the implementation and updating of intervention plans;
- Medium, high and very high-risk inspection program;
- Incident Assessment and Analysis Program;
- Smoke Alarm Verification Program.

THAT the Municipality undertake to apply and maintain these programs in accordance with the requirements established by the MRC and the competent fire safety authorities. **Carried**

8.3 Code of Ethics for Elected Municipal Officials

The Secretary-Treasurer/Director General tables the draft by-law concerning the Code of Ethics and Good Conduct of Elected Municipal Officials, in accordance with the provisions of the Act respecting ethics and good conduct in municipal matters.

A copy of the draft by-law shall be made available to the public in the manner prescribed by law.

Notice of motion is hereby given by Marc Gauthier that at a future meeting of Council the by-law concerning the Code of Ethics and Good Conduct for Elected Municipal Officials will be presented for adoption.

The draft by-law was tabled immediately.

9. FINANCE

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 \$21,499.11.

045-05-2026 **IT IS MOVED** by David Miljour, and unanimously resolved, that the invoices received in the amount of \$21,499.11 be paid. **Carried**

9.2 Lawn mower purchase

WHEREAS the Municipality must ensure the proper maintenance of its municipal lands and spaces;

WHEREAS the equipment currently in use requires replacement in order to ensure efficiency and continuity of operations;

WHEREAS the Municipal Council deems it necessary to proceed with the purchase of a new lawnmower;

046-05-2026 **IT IS PROPOSED BY** David Miljour;
SECONDED BY Gerald Stewart;
AND RESOLVED unanimously:

THAT the Municipal Council authorize the purchase of a new mower for a maximum amount of \$6995.00 plus applicable taxes;
THAT the funds required for this purchase be taken from the budget provided for this purpose.

THAT Joanne Ralston, Mayor and Vanessa Dagenais, Director General, be authorized to sign, for and on behalf of the municipality, all documents relating to this temporary loan. **Carried**

9.3 Bid #667 – Pontiac Valley Electric

WHEREAS the Municipality must ensure the proper functioning and reliability of the pumping equipment at the wastewater plant;

WHEREAS the Municipality has received bid No. 667 from Vallée du Pontiac Electric for the installation of a "soft start" device on one of the sewer pumps at the wastewater plant;

WHEREAS the total cost of the work is \$5,440.93 (plus applicable taxes, if applicable);

047-05-2026 **IT IS PROPOSED BY** Marc Gauthier;
SECONDED BY Serge Lance;
AND RESOLVED unanimously:

THAT council approves the quote No. 667 from Pontiac Valley Electric for the installation of a "soft start" on one of the sewer pumps at the wastewater plant, in the amount of \$5,440.93 (plus applicable taxes, if applicable);

THAT the director general be authorized to make the payment and to sign, for and on behalf of the Municipality, any documents required to carry out this resolution. **Carried**

10. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

11. COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND REPORTS

Councillors David Miljour, Gerald Stewart, Serge Lance and Marc Gauthier presented reports and updates.

12. OTHERS

12.1 Lion-Supporting Resolution for FRR2

WHEREAS the Bryson Lions Club wishes to apply for financial assistance under the FRR2 program;

WHEREAS the purpose of the proposed work is to improve and maintain the building used by the organization for the benefit of the community;

WHEREAS the work includes the addition of insulation in the attic, the repair of the floors of the men's bathroom as well as the repair of the urinals, vanity replacement, 10 new electrical outlets and a kitchen counter;

WHEREAS the Municipal Council recognizes the importance of the services and activities offered by the Lions Club to the population;

048-05-2026

IT IS MOVED BY Marc Gauthier;
SECONDED BY Serge Lance;
AND RESOLVED unanimously:

THAT the Municipal Council support the Bryson Lions Club's request for funding under the FRR2 program for the maintenance and improvement of their building;

THAT the Municipality recognize that this project will contribute to the improvement of community infrastructure for the benefit of citizens.

Carried

12.2 Resolution mandating the MRC Pontiac to proceed with the sale for tax for the list of files indicated

The Secretary-Treasurer submits to the Council, for examination and consideration, a statement of the property taxes due to the municipality, as of September 10, 2026, in order to meet the requirements of article 1022 of the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec;

049-05-2026

MOVED by David Miljour, seconded by Marc Gauthier and resolved unanimously

THAT the said statement be and be approved by the Council and that the Secretary-Treasurer, Director General take the necessary procedures for the purpose of having the Pontiac Regional County Municipality (RCM) sell all the buildings of the municipality whose property taxes have not been paid.

Carried

12.3 Resolution Fixing the Rate of Interest for Each Year on Unpaid Taxes

WHEREAS the Municipality must confirm the interest rate applicable to unpaid taxes in connection with the tax sale proceedings;

WHEREAS the Municipal Council wishes to confirm the rate already in force for the years concerned;

050-05-2026

IT IS PROPOSED BY David Milour
SECONDED BY Gerald Stewart ;
AND RESOLVED unanimously :

THAT City Council confirm that the interest rate applicable to unpaid taxes is set at seventeen percent (17%) per annum;
THAT this rate was in effect for the years 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 in the context of the tax sales proceedings. Carried

12.4 Resolution Designating a Representative and Substitute of the Municipality for the Tax Sale

WHEREAS, that the Municipality of Bryson may bid and acquire immovables offered for sale for unpaid municipal taxes in accordance with article 1038 of the Municipal Code;

WHEREAS, that certain buildings will be put up for sale for non-payment of taxes, in accordance with resolution number 049-05-2026;

WHEREAS, that this Council considers it appropriate to authorize the Secretary-Treasurer, Director General or a representative to bid and acquire some of the immovables put up for sale for non-payment of taxes;

051-05-2026

MOVED by Marc Gauthier, seconded by Serge Lance and resolved unanimously

THAT, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code, this Council authorizes the Secretary-Treasurer, the Assistant Director General to bid for and on behalf of the municipality for certain immovables subject to the sale for non-payment of taxes to be held on September 10, 2026, up to the amount of taxes, in capital, interest and fees.

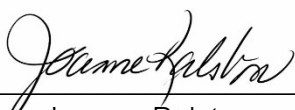
Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT OF THE SESSION

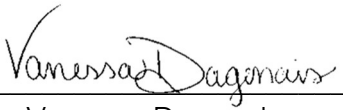
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MOVED by Davil Miljour and resolved unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 7.50 p.m.

Carried



Joanne Ralston
Mayor



Vanessa Dagenais
Director General, Clerk - Treasurer

