

**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
TOWN OF METIS-SUR-MER**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON JANUARY 14, 2019**

Minutes of the regular session of the Council of the Town of Metis-sur-Mer held on Monday January 14, 2019, in the boardroom, 138, Principale, Métis-sur-Mer, at 7:30 p.m.

Present are Councillors Luc Hamelin, Martine Bouchard, Raynald Banville and René Lepage, forming quorum under the Mayor, Ms. Carolle-Anne Dubé.

Also present are:

Mr. Stéphane Marcheterre, Director General and secretary-treasurer

**RESOLUTION #19-01-01**  
**OPENING OF THE ASSEMBLY**

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Luc Hamelin and unanimously resolved that the session of the Council of the Town of Metis-sur-Mer is opened at 7:30 pm.

**RESOLUTION #19-01-02**  
**AGENDA**

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. René Lepage and unanimously resolved to adopt the following agenda for the session:

1. **Call to order and registration of attendance**
2. **Reading and adoption of the agenda**
3. **Approval of the minutes of :**
  - 3.1 The regular session held on December 3, 2018;
  - 3.2 The extraordinary session held on December 13, 2018;
4. **Monthly reports from MacNider Borough and committees:**
  - 4.1 MacNider Borough council;
  - 4.2 Local development committee;
  - 4.3 Leisure committee;
  - 4.4 Library committee;
  - 4.5 Beautification committee.
5. **Treasury**
  - 5.1 Accounts payable;
  - 5.2 To approve budget allocations for the receipt of a grant for fire department;
6. **Administration**
  - 6.1 Policy for the prevention of harassment, incivility and violence at work;
  - 6.2 Citizen declaration: climate emergency;
7. **Public work**
  - 7.1 Purchase of a salt box with the accumulated surplus;
8. **Town Planning**

NILI
9. **Fire and emergency service**
10. **Leisure and culture**
  - 10.1 Request for authorization to hold a cycling event;
11. **Question period**
12. **Adjournment**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF:**

**3.1 The regular session held on December 3, 2018**

**RESOLUTION #19-01-03**  
**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE TOWN OF METIS-SUR-MER**  
**HELD ON DECEMBER 3, 2018**

Each Member of the Council having received a copy of the minutes of the regular session of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer held at the municipal hall, 138 Principale, Métis-sur-Mer, Monday, December 3, 2018 at least 24 hours before the present session, the Mayor is exempt from the reading (Art. 333, LCV).

It is proposed by Councillor Ms. Martine Bouchard and resolved unanimously to approve the minutes with corrections made.

### **3.2 The extraordinary session held on December 13, 2018 – budget 2019.**

#### **RESOLUTION #19-01-04** **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE TOWN OF METIS-SUR-MER HELD ON DECEMBER 13, 2018**

Each Member of the Council having received a copy of the minutes of the extraordinary session of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer held at the municipal hall, 138 Principale, Métis-sur-Mer, Thursday, December 13, 2018 at least 24 hours before the present session, the Mayor is exempt from the reading (Art. 333, LCV).

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Luc Hamelin and resolved unanimously to approve the minutes as submitted.

### **4. REPORTS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES.**

#### **4.1 MacNider Borough Council**

Mr. René Lepage, member of the MacNider Borough Council, mentions the subjects which were handled at the Council meeting held on January 14, 2019:

- To mandate an independent auditor;
- To mandate a legal firm to handle a case for the Town;
- To appoint a Councillor in charge of civil security;
- To refund the amount of the notice of transfer to the ARPP concerning the lease of the lighthouse;
- Civil security – Application for financial assistance – Part 1;
- Recommendation of the Local Heritage Council;
- Allow the mayor to sign the conditions for receiving a grant for the fire department;
- Creation of an intermunicipal recreation service;
- To purchase a snow blower for the skating rink;

The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 6:30 pm at Municipal Office.

#### **4.2 Development Committee**

On Santa Claus day, 72 children received gifts. The event went very well, and it is self-financing with donations in money, food and human resources.

#### **4.3 Leisure Committee**

The Committee is preparing SuperBowl 2019 that will be held on February 3. Watch the Info-Métis for more details. Regarding the hiring of someone for leisure, we received four cv's and the end of the nominations is January 18.

#### **4.3 Library Committee**

Come and try the virtual reality glasses at the library. Several topics are available for consultation.

#### **4.4 Beautification Committee**

Nothing new.

### **5. TREASURY**

#### **5.1 Accounts payable.**

#### **RESOLUTION 19-01-05** **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Raynald Banville and resolved unanimously that the Council of the Town of Metis-sur-Mer adopts the list of disbursements for an amount of \$ 130 536.43 for December 2018, adopts the list of accounts payable for an amount of \$ 41 570.89 for December 2018 and authorizes the Secretary - Treasurer to make the payment for these accounts in the amount of \$ 41 570.89.

#### **5.2 To approve budget allocations for the receipt of a grant for fire department.**

#### **RESOLUTION 19-01-06** **TO APPROVE BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR THE RECEIPT OF A GRANT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS** the Town of Métis-sur-Mer received a grant from the John R. McConnell Foundation in an amount of \$100 000 for the updating of certain equipment and training at its fire department;

**WHEREAS** regulation 07-33, declaring the rules for budgetary surveillance and control, provides for the basis within which the Director General may make the necessary assignments;

**WHEREAS** outside this regulatory basis, the allocation of unpredicted sums received must be subject to council approval;

**FOR THESE REASONS,**

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Luc Hamelin and resolved unanimously that the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer affects the amount received in the following budget accounts:

**Revenues:**

# 01 23122 000 – Fire Safety – Foundation: \$100 000

**Expenditures:**

# 02 22000 643 – \* Equipment and Clothing – Foundation: \$70 000

# 02 22000 649 – \* Training – Foundation: \$30 000

**6. ADMINISTRATION**

**6.1 Policy for the prevention of harassment, incivility and violence at work.**

**RESOLUTION #19-01-07**

**POLICY FOR THE PREVENTION OF HARASSMENT, INCIVILITY AND VIOLENCE AT WORK**

It is proposed by Councillor Ms. Martine Bouchard and resolved unanimously that the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer adopts a policy of prevention of harassment, incivility and violence at work and asks the Director General and the Director of public works to give the policy to all employees of the municipality and to ensure the follow up.

**6.2 Citizen declaration: climate emergency.**

**RESOLUTION #19-01-08**

**CITIZEN DECLARATION: CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

**CONSIDERING THAT** the increase in the atmosphere of greenhouse gases and the increase of the average temperature of the world rapidly deregulate the climate of our planet and are in the process of compromising current and future generations;

**CONSIDERING THAT** all scientific studies demonstrate the need to act in order to reverse the tendency;

**CONSIDERING THAT** the last special report, approved on October 6 2018 by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the main international agency responsible for evaluating scientific activities devoted to climate changes, the consequences of these changes, the potential risks in relation with them and the measures that could be taken to restrain their effects, highlights the urgency of intervention;

**CONSIDERING THAT** the Town of Métis-sur-Mer, like its citizens, is conscious of the importance of rallying all political decision-makers and to demonstrate its interest in getting involved and investing in the fight against global warming climate;

**CONSIDERING THAT** the Town of Métis-sur-Mer has already implemented several actions aimed to protect the environment and wishes to continue its commitment.

**FOR THESE REASONS,**

It is proposed by Councillor Ms. Martine Bouchard and resolved unanimously:

**THAT** the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer asks and invites the various levels of government, political parties, public and private players, to seriously consider the current state of the climate and the risks associated with the increase of the average temperature of the world in all development and growth policies and strategies;

**THAT** the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer undertakes, through the actions of its waste management plan, to analyse the implementation of various initiatives to reduce the environmental impact, in the short, medium and long term, in its territory;

**THAT** the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer invites various industries, businesses and institutions as well as all citizens to play a leading role in reducing greenhouse gases and other environmental impacts;

**THAT** this resolution be forwarded to federal and provincial government agency necessarily affected by the emergency of action to protect the Earth.

## **7. PUBLIC WORKS**

### **7.1 Purchase of a salt box with the accumulated surplus.**

#### **RESOLUTION #10-01-09** **PURCHASE OF A SALT BOX WITH THE ACCUMULATED SURPLUS**

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. René Lepage and resolved unanimously that the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer buys a stainless-steel salt spreader for an amount of \$ 9 850 plus taxes at *Pièces d'auto Rimouski Inc.* This equipment will be purchased with the accumulated unreserved surplus.

## **8. TOWN PLANNING**

NIL

## **9. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICE**

NIL

## **10. LEISURE AND CULTURE**

### **10.1 Request for authorization to hold a cycling event.**

#### **RESOLUTION #19-01-10** **REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A CYCLING EVENT**

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Raynald Banville and resolved unanimously that the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer authorizes the holding of a cycling event. This event is called "Au tour des jeunes Desjardins Bas-St-Laurent", and allows more than 200 young people from secondary 3 to 5 to cycle the road from Saint-Pascal to Matane. Cyclists will pass through our municipality on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. The cyclists will take a break at *école des Cheminots-de-l'Envol* between 8:50 and 10:50.

## **11. QUESTION PERIOD**

Question period began at 7:50 pm and ended at 7:56 pm. The main subject was the Citizen Declaration – Climate emergency.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

#### **RESOLUTION #19-01-11** **ADJOURNMENT**

The agenda being exhausted, it is proposed by Councillor Mr. Luc Hamelin that this session be adjourned at 7:56 pm.

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Carolle-Anne Dubé, Mayor

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Stéphane Marcheterre,  
Director General and Secretary-treasurer