

**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
MUNICIPALITY OF PONTIAC**

MINUTES of the special municipal council meeting held on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, situated at 2024 route 148, Pontiac. Those who were present:

Roger Larose, Mayor, Brian Middlemiss, Pro-Mayor and Councillors R. Denis Dubé, Nancy Draper-Maxsom, Thomas Howard, Inès Pontiroli and Dr. Jean Amyotte.

Also present: Mr. Benedikt Kuhn Acting Director General, Mrs. Ginette Chevrier-Bottrill, Acting Assistant Director General, and several ratepayers.

The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

14-12-2237

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. Floor to the public and question period
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Adoption of the 2015 budget and the three year assessment role
4. Public question period
5. Closing of the meeting

It is

Moved by: R. Denis Dubé
Seconded by: Thomas Howard

AND RESOLVED to adopt the agenda as prepared and read.

Carried

14-12-2238

ADJOURNMENT

It is

Moved by R. Denis Dubé
Seconded by Thomas Howard

AND RESOLVED to adjourn the present meeting at 7:05 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Carried

14-12-2239

RETURN TO MEETING

It is

Moved by Thomas Howard
Seconded by R. Denis Dubé

AND RESOLVED to return to the present meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

14-12-2240

ADOPTION OF THE 2015 BUDGET

WHEREAS the budget forecast for 2015 provides for charges and operating revenues as follows:

Operating activities	
REVENUES	Budget 2015
TAXES	4 316 616
TAXES FOR SECTORS	100 835
PRICE SETTING FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES	911 761
IN LIEU OF TAXES	338 814

TRANSFERS GRANTS	944 146
SERVICES RENDERED	97 810
ASSESSMENT OF DUTIES	329 700
OTHER INCOME AND INTERESTS	100 738
Total	7 140 420
EXPENSES	
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	1 096 902
PUBLIC SECURITY	1 944 903
ROADS	1 942 734
PUBLIC HEALTH	1 093 542
HEALTH AND WELFARE	5 113
PLANNING AND ZONING	465 202
RECREATION AND CULTURE	305 390
FUNDING COSTS	247 009
Total	7 100 795
CONCILIATION FOR TAX PURPOSES	
DEPRECIATION	(525 541)
REIMBURSEMENT OF LONG TERM DEBT(BORROWING BY-LAW)	559 799
REIMBURSEMENT OF WORKING CAPITAL	67 876
APPROPRIATION OF QUARRIES & SANDPIT FUND	(160 000)
AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE	97 491
Total	39 625
EXPENSES AND ALLOCATIONS	7 140 420

WHEREAS the budget forecast of 2015 provides also for capital expenditures as follows:

CAPITAL ACTIVITIES	
REVENUES	Budget 2015
HEALTH & WELFARE	(10 000)
RECREATION AND CULTURE	(22 000)
Total	(32 000)
EXPENSES	
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	7 500
ROADS	47 000
PUBLIC HEALTH	47 500
RECREATION AND CULTURE	124 000
Total	226 000
ALLOCATIONS	
WORKING CAPITAL	(194 000)
Total	(194 000)
EXPENSES AND ALLOCATIONS	32 000

WHEREAS the following rates and fees will be necessary to balance the budget for the fiscal year ending on December 31, 2015:

GENERAL TAX	2015 Rate per \$100
Non-residential property	0.5863
6 apartments or more	0.5863
Vacant lots	0.5863
Residual property	0.5863
Agricultural	0.5863
Industrial	0.5863
TOTAL VARIOUS TAXES	0.5863
TAXES REGARDING LOANS - FOR ALL OF THE MUNICIPALITY	
By-law no. 03-03 Lagoon 25% ALL	0.0007
By-law no. 05-02 Freightliner #24	0.0019
By-law no. 06-10 Road paving	0.0256
By-law no. 06-07 Grader #111	0.0040
By-law no. 12-07 International #28	0.0042
By-law no. 10-09 Town Hall	0.0033
By-law no. 06-11 Omkar and Du Marquis	0.0006
Tanker truck 2014	0.0039
TOTAL	0.0443

Compensation - Various taxes – Rate	0.5863
Compensation for loans - Rate	0.0443
RATE FOR COMPENSATION	0.6306

RATE FOR LOANS - SECTORIAL TAXES	2015 Rate per \$100
By-law no. 03-03 Quyon lagoon 75%	0.0532
By-law no. 06-13 Paving Lavigne road	0.0200
By-Law no. 06-14 Paving Davis road & Soulière Cr.	0.0260
By-law no. 05-10 Paving Cedarvale, Adrien-Renaud, de la Détente and Renaud Cr.	0.0197
By-law no. 07-10 Paving Panorama and McCaffrey roads	0.0255
By-law no. 06-11 Paving Omkar 12.5%	0.0243
By-law no. 06-11 Paving Du Marquis 37.5%	0.0226
TOTAL OF RATE ON EVALUATION	0.1913
	2015 Cost per unit
By-law no. 15-10 Drinking water Quyon – vacant lot 0.85	\$120.39
By-law no. 15-10 Drinking water Quyon – residential 1.0	\$141.63
By-law no. 15-10 Drinking water Quyon – small business 1.15	\$162.88
By-law no. 15-10 Drinking water Quyon – large business 1.7	\$240.77

WHEREAS the following rates and fees will be necessary to balance the budget for the fiscal year ending on December 31, 2015:

<u>SERVICE TAX WITH FIXED RATE</u>	
WATER	2015 Cost per unit
Residential	\$ 334.62
Small business	\$ 382.14
Large business	\$ 568.42

SEWERS	2015 Cost per unit
Residential	\$ 247.41
Small business	\$ 282.92
Large business	\$ 420.86

RESIDUAL MATERIALS	2015 Cost per unit
Residential	\$ 216.56
Residential-commercial	\$ 241.17
Small business	\$ 252.73
Large business	\$ 305.86
Recreational-accommodation	\$ 277.30

WHEREAS under article 953.1 of the Municipal Code, the Municipal Council must adopt the capital program of the Municipality for the next three fiscal years;

WHEREAS this Council deems it appropriate to adopt the capital program of the Municipality of Pontiac for the years 2015, 2016 and 2017 as follows:

MUNICIPALITY OF PONTIAC					
2015-2016-2017					
THREE-YEAR PROGRAM OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES					
		2015	2016	2017	Funding method
BUILDINGS	Luskville municipal buildings- Septic system	\$60, 000.00			Borrowing by-law
FIRE SAFETY	Replacement – Fleet of vehicles	\$120, 000.00			Borrowing by-law
	Communication system	\$20, 000.00			Borrowing by-law
PUBLIC WORKS	Communication system	\$ 40, 000.00			Borrowing by-law
	<u>ROAD REPAIRS</u>				
	Repaving De la Montagne Rd. (4 km)	\$1 400, 000.00			Borrowing by-law/ Grants
	Paving Braun Rd.	\$750, 000.00			Borrowing by-law 50% residents / 50% municipality
	Paving of Lusk Project	\$ 250, 000.00			Borrowing by-law 50% residents / 50% municipality
	Repairs to prioritized roads			\$ 1, 500, 000.00	Borrowing by-law
	<u>DRAINAGE</u>				
	Improving drainage in the MTQ projected work areas : Route 148, Maple and Terry-Fox roads	\$55, 000.00			Borrowing by-law
	Storm outlet –Quyon- Check valve		\$20, 000.00		Borrowing by-law
	<u>MUNICIPALIZATION OF ROADS</u>				
	Mélèzes Road	\$10, 000.00			Local improvement tax
	Wilmer Road	\$50, 000.00			Local improvement tax
	Julie Road	\$50,000.00			Local improvement tax
	<u>EQUIPMENT</u>				
	Replacement of grader	\$300, 000.00			Borrowing by-law
RECREATION	<u>PARKS</u>				
	Bellevue Project	\$25, 000.00			Working capital (Parks fund)
	Davis-Soulière		\$20, 000.00		Working capital (Parks fund)

	Hirondelles	\$10,000.00			Working capital (Parks fund)
	Information and promotion kiosk	\$20,000.00			Working capital (Parks fund)
	<u>COMMUNITY CENTRES</u>				
	Community Centre	\$20,000.00	\$3,000,000.00		Working capital/Subsidies/ Borrowing by-law
	Extension – Breckenridge Community Center		\$150,000.00		Borrowing by-law
PUBLIC HYGIENE	<u>SANITARY SEWERS</u>				
	Septic sludge management and treatment project		\$1,500,000.00		TECQ (grant)/ Borrowing by-law
	Correction plan for reversed connections		\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00	Operating budget / Borrowing by-law
	<u>WATER- SEWERS</u>				
	Water and wastewater network		\$750,000.00 Phase I	\$750,000.00 Phase II	TECQ / Borrowing by-law
TOTAL		\$3,180,000	\$5,465,000	\$2,300,000	

CONSEQUENTLY,

It is

Moved by: Brian Middlemiss
Seconded by: Nancy Draper-Maxsom

AND RESOLVED THAT this Council adopts the 2015 budget forecast as presented.

IT IS ALSO RESOLVED THAT this Council sets the rates for services as presented.

FINALLY, IT IS RESOLVED THAT this Council adopts the three-year program of capital expenditures as presented.

Carried on a divided vote

Councillors Inès Pontiroli and Dr. Jean Amyotte vote against the resolution. Councillor Pontiroli says: “The Municipal Council was not solicited in the definition of the major expenditures and orientations of the 2015 budget, therefore, I cannot vote on something I cannot defend”.

Councillor Dr. Jean Amyotte supports her arguments.

The Mayor confirms that these are not valid reasons since there have been two meetings with all the Council members and Mrs. Pontiroli only attended one.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

James Eggleton

- Congratulates the Council members on keeping the tax rates so low
- Asks why two Councillors voted against the adoption of the 2015 budget
- Congratulations regarding the Web Site

Stéphane Alary

- Asks where in the budget, can we find the commitments for the maintenance of ditches and the roadsides
- Asks what the process is to decide on the paving of a road

14-12-2241

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

It is

Moved by: R. Denis Dubé
Seconded by: Nancy Draper-Maxsom

AND RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m., having gone through the agenda.

Carried

MAYOR

DIRECTOR GENERAL BY INTERIM

« I, Mayor Roger Larose, hereby certify that the signature on the present minutes is equivalent to my signature on each and every resolution herein, as specified in article 142 (2) of the Municipal Code».