

CANADA
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
MUNICIPALITY OF WEST BOLTON

Minutes of the regular sitting of the Council of the Municipality of West Bolton held on Monday, March 8, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. by videoconference with interactive webcast.

Present:

Robert Chartier, Councillor n° 1
Jean-Pierre Pouliot, Councillor n° 2
Loren Allen, Councillor n° 3
Gilles Asselin, Councillor n° 5
Cedric Briggs, Consultant n° 6
The members present formed a quorum.
The sitting was presided over by Denis Vaillancourt, Acting Mayor.

Also present were:

Jean-François Grandmont, Director general and Secretary-treasurer
Maike Storks, Deputy Director general and Deputy Secretary-treasurer
Michael Ferland, Planning officer and Municipal Inspector

Absent:

Jacques Drolet, Mayor

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
- 3. FIRST QUESTION PERIOD**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 5. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 6. TOWN PLANNING**
 - 6.1. Report of the planning officer and municipal inspector
 - 6.2. Planning Advisory Committee - Minutes
- 7. ADMINISTRATION**
 - 7.1. Approval of accounts and transfers
 - 7.2. Report of authorized expenditures
 - 7.3. By-law Number 375-2021 respecting the remuneration of elected Municipal officials - Adoption
 - 7.4. Internet Town Hall - Internexe - Contract
- 8. ROADWORKS**
- 9. ENVIRONMENT**
 - 9.1. IDEC 2020 Report of water quality in streams
 - 9.2. Partnership Agreement - Enhancement and Management of Mount Foster - Appalachian Corridor and Saint-Étienne-de-Bolton
 - 9.3. Recycling - Sani-Eco - Agreement - Addendum number 1
- 10. PUBLIC SECURITY**
 - 10.1. 2020 Annual Report Year 4 - Fire safety cover plan - Adoption
- 11. HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**
- 12. LEISURE AND CULTURE**
- 13. VARIA**
 - 13.1. 50th Anniversary of the Town of Brome Lake
- 14. SECOND QUESTION PERIOD**
- END OF SITTING**

**050-0321
CALL TO ORDER**

With the members present at the start of the sitting forming a quorum, the the sitting was called to order by the Acting Mayor at 7:30 p.m. The Acting Mayor made some opening remarks.

051-0321
ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilles Asselin, SECONDED by Councillor Jean-Pierre Pouliot and resolved to adopt the agenda presented while removing the following item:

- 7.3. By-law Number 375-2021 respecting the remuneration of elected Municipal officials - Adoption

Adopted unanimously

052-0321
FIRST QUESTION PERIOD

Council held a first question period.

053-0321
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Gilles Asselin, SECONDED by Councillor Loren Allen and resolved to approve the minutes of February 8 and 24, 2021.

Adopted unanimously

054-0321
CORRESPONDENCE

- A copy of draft By-law number 2021-584 amending Planning By-law number 2016-531 of the Municipality of the Township of Shefford.

055-0321
TOWN PLANNING
REPORT OF THE PLANNING OFFICER AND MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR

Mr. Michael Ferland, planning officer, presented the inspector's report for the month of February 2021.

February
Number of permits: 16
Value of work: \$1,115,500

056-0321
TOWN PLANNING
PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES

The reports of the Planning Advisory Committee for October 26 and December 14, 2020 were tabled.

057-0321
ADMINISTRATION
APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS AND TRANSFERS

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Jean-Pierre Pouliot, SECONDED by Councillor Cedric Briggs and resolved to approve the list of accounts and transfers as of March 4, 2021, in the amount of \$238,772.38, and to authorize the director general to settle these accounts.

Adopted unanimously

058-0321
REPORT OF AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES

The director general tabled the report of authorized expenditures.

059-0321
ADMINISTRATION
TOWN HALL - INTERNEXE - CONTRACT

WHEREAS that the current Internexe connection with fixed IP is no longer working properly and it is necessary to proceed with the replacement of the equipment in order to make for efficient teleworking;

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Loren Allen, SECONDED by Councillor Gilles Asselin and resolved :

- to accept the proposal from Internexe telecommunications received on March 2, 2021, for the supply and installation of equipment for an internet downloading speed of 25 Mb/s and an uploading speed of 5 Mb/s;
- to finance this expense of \$1,047 and the monthly fee of \$300 from the municipality's general account for Covid-19 related costs;
- to authorize the Director general to issue all directives and sign all documents to this effect.

Adopted unanimously

060-0321
ROADS

Nothing to discuss.

061-0321
ENVIRONMENT
IDEC 2020 REPORT OF WATER QUALITY IN STREAMS

Mr. Denis Vaillancourt presented the IDEC 2020 report on water quality in West Bolton streams. The report was tabled. A copy of the report will be sent to Renaissance Lac-Brome, OBV Yamaska and Mr. Simon Lajeunesse of the Brome-Missisquoi RCM.

062-0321
ENVIRONMENT
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT - ENHANCEMENT AND MANAGEMENT
OF MOUNT FOSTER - APPALACHIAN CORRIDOR
AND SAINT-ÉTIENNE-DE-BOLTON

The Acting Mayor mentioned that this agreement, valid for 2020-2024, will allow the development of new trails and reception and interpretation infrastructure. It also provides for the maintenance of Scout Tower and trail monitoring. After an annual investment of \$30,000 for the first two years, an annual contribution of approximately \$12,000 is expected for the following three years. Access to the trails will be free.

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Cedric Briggs, SECONDED by Councillor Jean-Pierre Pouliot and resolved :

- to enter into a partnership agreement with Appalachian Corridor and the Municipality of Saint-Étienne-de-Bolton for the development and management of Mount Foster on the basis of the proposed project;
- To fund capital expenditures for the years 2020 and 2021 from the parks and playgrounds reserve account;
- to authorize the mayor and the director general to sign said agreement for and on behalf of the Municipality.

Adopted unanimously

063-0321
ENVIRONMENT
RECYCLING - SANI-ÉCO - AGREEMENT - ADDENDUM NUMBER 1

WHEREAS that the recycling industry in Quebec is currently experiencing an unprecedented crisis and whereas it is necessary to review and update certain elements of the contract with Sani-Éco in order to adapt to the situation;

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Robert Chartier, SECONDED by Councillor Gilles Asselin and resolved :

- to authorize the mayor and the director general to sign addendum number 1 to the Sani-Éco contract;
- to finance the lump sum of \$1632.54, including taxes, and the additional costs of \$15 per ton from the general account of the Municipality.

Adopted unanimously

064-0321
PUBLIC SECURITY
2020 ANNUAL REPORT, YEAR 4 - REVISED FIRE SAFETY COVER PLAN
- ADOPTION

WHEREAS the revised Fire Safety Cover Plan of the Brome-Missisquoi RCM came into effect on July 1, 2016;

WHEREAS each municipality must produce an annual report as prescribed under Section 35 of the Fire Safety Act;

WHEREAS in order to facilitate the drafting and compilation of the implementation of the Fire Safety Cover Plan, an Excel file has been developed, and this file has seven (7) tabs, namely: Title page, Summary, PI

(performance indicator), PMO (implementation plan), Graph (performance indicator in graphic form), DSI-2003 and DSI-2003 (vehicle). An eighth tab is added to the report for municipalities with a fire safety department: Occupational accident-incident;

WHEREAS the 2020 annual activity report, Year 4, has been completed for the municipality of West Bolton by the director of the Town of Brome Lake Public Security and Fire Department;

WHEREAS the municipality of West Bolton has taken note of the 2020 annual activity report, Year 4;

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Loren Allen, SECONDED by Councillor Gilles Asselin and resolved that the Municipality of West Bolton adopt the 2020 annual activity report, Year 4, in relation to the revised Fire Safety Cover Plan and authorize its transmission to the Brome-Missisquoi RCM. The latter will consolidate all the annual reports of the municipalities of the Brome-Missisquoi RCM and transmit it to the Ministère de la Sécurité publique.

Adopted unanimously

065-0321
HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Nothing to discuss.

066-0321
LEISURE AND CULTURE
50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF BROME LAKE

IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Jean-Pierre Pouliot, SECONDED by Councillor Cedric Briggs and resolved to extend our congratulations to the Town of Brome Lake on its 50th anniversary in 2021.

Adopted unanimously

067-0321
VARIA

Nothing to discuss.

068-0321
SECOND QUESTION PERIOD

Council held a second question period during which those attending the live broadcast could ask questions of its members.

Copies of the agenda were made available to the public electronically prior to the start of the sitting.

069-0321
END OF SITTING

The agenda having been exhausted, IT WAS MOVED by Councillor Loren Allen, SECONDED by Councillor Cedric Briggs and unanimously resolved to end the sitting at 8:34 p.m.

Jean-François Grandmont, OMA
Director general and Secretary-treasurer

Denis Vaillancourt
Acting Mayor

Attestation

The signing of these minutes by the mayor shall be equivalent to the signing of all resolutions contained herein as per Section 142 of the Municipal Code.