

CANADA
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
MUNICIPALITY OF WEST BOLTON

Minutes of the special Council sitting of the Municipality of West Bolton, held on January 27, 2022 at 7:35 p.m. by videoconference with interactive webcast.

The following were present:

Margarita Lafontaine, Councillor n° 1

Jean-Pierre Pouliot, Councillor n° 2

Loren Allen, Councillor n° 3

Eddy Whitcher, Councillor n° 4

Gilles Asselin, Councillor n° 5

Nancy Lanteigne, Councillor n° 6

The members present formed a quorum.

The sitting was presided over by Denis Vaillancourt, Mayor.

Also present are:

Jean-François Grandmont, Director general and Secretary-treasurer

Maike Storks, Deputy Director general and Deputy Secretary-treasurer

AGENDA

- 1. NOTICE OF SITTING**
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- 3. TOWN PLANNING**
 - 3.1. Planning officer and Municipal inspector – Temporary Replacement – Service Offer
 - 3.2. Municipal Inspectors – Appointments
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- 5. QUESTION PERIOD**
- 6. END OF SITTING**

**027-0122.
NOTICE OF SITTING**

The director general confirmed that the notice of sitting was sent to all members of Council in accordance with the law.

The sitting was called to order by the mayor at 7:35 p.m.

**028-0122
ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

IT WAS MOVED BY Margarita Lafontaine

SECONDED BY Eddy Whitcher

AND RESOLVED:

To adopt the agenda presented.

Adopted unanimously

029-0122
TOWN PLANNING
PLANNING OFFICER AND MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR -
TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT - SERVICE OFFER

Considering the absence of our planning officer and municipal inspector for health reasons;

Whereas it is important to fill this position promptly with qualified personnel;

Whereas this measure is temporary and will be periodically reassessed based on municipal needs;

IT WAS MOVED BY Jean-Pierre Pouliot
SECONDED BY Gilles Asselin
AND RESOLVED:

To accept the service offer dated January 23, 2022 from Ms. Julie Guilmain, town planner and Marc Cournoyer, inspector, for the temporary replacement of our planning officer and municipal inspector;

That these individuals be covered by the liability insurance of the Municipality;

To finance this expenditure from the general account of the Municipality (current budget);

To authorize the director general to issue any directives and sign any documents to that effect.

Adopted unanimously

030-0122
ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL INSPECTORS - APPOINTMENT

Whereas acting municipal inspectors must be formally appointed by resolution in order to enforce by-laws;

IT WAS MOVED BY Eddy Whitcher
SECONDED BY Loren Allen
AND RESOLVED:

To appoint Ms. Julie Guilmain and Mr. Marc Cournoyer as municipal inspectors for the Municipality of West Bolton;

In particular, that they be authorized to enforce:

- Planning by-laws;
- The By-law respecting water disposal and treatment for isolated dwellings (Q-2, r. 22);
- The By-law respecting water sampling and protection (Q-2, r. 35.2);
- By-law no. 286 on dogs;
- By-law RM 460-2015 on nuisances

and any other by-laws or agreements for which municipal inspectors are responsible.

Adopted unanimously

031-0122
PUBLIC SECURITY
FREQUENT POWER OUTAGES - CORRESPONDENCE TO
HYDRO-QUÉBEC

The mayor mentioned a letter sent to Hydro-Québec on January 24.

Two power outages in 7 days in an area of West Bolton.

Hello

I am writing to you as the mayor of our municipality which suffered two power outages in the space of a week, in order to have some information and explanations to give to the population as soon as possible.

We have had four power outages since the beginning of December 2021 and what is even more worrying is that the last two outages occurred in the middle of a period of intense cold within less than a week apart in the same area of the municipality.

These outages lasted more than 12 hours (no reproach to the work of Hydro Québec) and occurred while the climatic conditions apart from the cold were mild; that is, no wind and no ice, ...

The explanation given to citizens was that the problem was due to network overload. This raises some questions since these last two power failures occurred during the night when demand is lower and makes us wonder: should the capacity of this circuit not be improved in the near future? Ultimately, is it possible to change the configuration of the network circuits in our sector?

Thank you for paying attention to these issues; I look forward to receiving your clarifications.

The municipality is currently awaiting an analysis report from Hydro-Québec on the numerous outages affecting its territory.

032-0122
QUESTION PERIOD

Council held a question-and-answer session during which attendees could ask questions to its members via Zoom.

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

033-0122
END OF SITTING

With the agenda having been exhausted,

IT WAS MOVED BY Margarita Lafontaine
SECONDED BY Loren Allen
AND RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

To end the sitting at 7:54 p.m.

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

Denis Vaillancourt
Mayor

Attestation

The signing of these minutes by the mayor is equivalent to the signing by the mayor of all the resolutions it contains as per section 142 of the Municipal Code.