

Province of Québec
Municipality of Sheenboro

Regular meeting of the Municipal Council of Sheenboro held March 7th, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. in-person and by videoconference, due to the current pandemic restrictions.

Via videoconference are present Mayor Doris Ranger and Councilors Dick Edwards, Richard Bradshaw and Karen Shea.

In-person are present Councilors Lorna Brennan Agnesi, John Brennan and Shamus Morris.

Simon Tessier, Assistant Director General is in attendance.

1. Opening of meeting

The mayor notes that there is quorum and calls the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

2. Adoption of Agenda

054-2022 Moved by Councilor Richard Bradshaw to adopt the agenda as presented.

Adopted

3. Conflict of interest (if applicable)

None.

4. Adoption of minutes

055-2022 Moved by Councillor Lorna Brennan Agnesi that the minutes of the regular meeting of February 7th, 2022 be accepted.

Adopted

5. Questions from the public

A. Letter from a Ratepayer requesting spring maintenance and winter ploughing for Butler Road for the 2022-2023 season.

The letter was read aloud expressing the Ratepayers concerns and Council decided to table the decision until the roads committee are able to meet later this month and Butler Road will be on the agenda for that meeting.

B. Brian Dubeau presents to council on behalf of 114 314 63 Canada Inc.

Mr. Dubeau requested the support of council concerning a few different issues relating to a new subdivision in the Municipality. His request was threefold:

- That council pass a motion to express support for the creation of a servitude road crossing the neighbouring properties to allow access to said subdivision.
- That council pass a motion to express support for the acquisition of an Outfitting License on behalf of 114 314 63 Canada Inc.
- That Council pass a motion to express support for the planned subdivision as presented to Council by Brian Dubeau on behalf of 114 314 63 Canada Inc.

056-2022 Moved by Councillor Bradshaw that Council officially expresses its support for the creation of a servitude road allowing access to the proposed subdivision.

Adopted

057-2022 Moved by Councillor Brennan that Council officially expresses its support for the application by 114 314 63 Canada Inc to acquire an Outfitting License in the Municipality.

Adopted

058-2022 Moved by Councillor Morris that Council officially expresses its support for the Subdivision presented by Mr. Dubeau on behalf of 114 314 63 Canada Inc.

Adopted

6. **Municipal Inspectors Report**

- Two renovation permits were issued in February.
- For lot #6 217 460 Courshesne Fortin minutes: 32762 corrected the road named Meehan to I.C.O.

7. **Administration**

A. **Payment of the Bills**

059-2022 Moved by Councillor Morris to pay the bills of the month as listed.

Adopted

B. **Pontiac Journal Agricultural Add**

060-2022 Moved by Councilor Morris to approve the Agricultural Ad in the Pontiac Journal.

Adopted

8. Public Works

A. Lawn Mower

061-2022

Moved by Councilor Brennan to renew the contract for S&R Lawn Maintenance for the season at a cost of \$ 3900.

Adopted

B. Infrastructure Amalgamation

Councilor Morris has requested Council adopt a motion permitting him to attend a meeting of the Chichester Municipal Council in order to discuss possible Infrastructural Amalgamations between our two Municipalities.

After a brief discussion Council has tabled Councilor Morris's request to appear before Chichester Council as a representative of Sheen Council on this issue but he is welcome to attend the Chichester council meeting as a private citizen in order to make further inquiries.

C. Transfer Site Hydro

Council is presented with the requested quote and two options from Fleury Electric for the installation of Hydro at the Sarah Road Transfer site:

- 100-AMP overhead service on building with panel and plug plus 35 ft hydro pole at road and 25ft in middle with 180 ft of tryplex at \$ 4200.
- 100-AMP service with meter on 35ft pole at road, 160 feet underground cable to panel in building with plug, includes digging at \$ 4600.

Tabled till next meeting on April 4th.

D. Snow Plow Tender

Council discusses if any changes need to be made to the snow plow contract for the 2022-2023 season. Discussion is tabled until after a meeting of the Roads Committee and to be resumed at the next Council meeting on April 4th.

E. Street Sweeping

Council discusses the possibility of renting a sweeper from Sun Belt Rentals at a cost of \$ 565 / week before tax or hire JWK to do the same work as last year. Discussion is tabled until after a meeting of the Roads Committee and to be resumed at the next Council Meeting on April 4th.

9. Public Security

A. Chair of the Pontiac West Fire Department (POFD)

062-2022 Moved by Councillor Morris to appoint Donald Gagnon as Chair of this committee for a two-year renewable term.

Adopted

B. Security Cameras (POFD)

The POFD recommends the installation of security cameras at all Fire Hall buildings, with an expense no greater than \$ 1000 to be taken from the regular FD budget.

Council tables the motion and requests more information concerning the details of the proposed security system to be installed also requesting that Fire Chief Glynn Fleury come before Council to discuss this request.

C. Surplus Items Sale POFD

063-2022 Moved by Councillor Bradshaw to post the sale of surplus item by way of public bids, with reserve bid amounts to be determined by the DG and Fire Chief.

Adopted on Division

10. Correspondence

A. LGBTQ +

064-2022 Moved by Councillor Shea to hereby adopt a motion to supporting International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia on May 17th 2022 as follows:

WHEREAS the Quebec Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms recognizes that no discrimination may be exercised on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression;

WHEREAS Quebec is a society open to all, including lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (LGBTQ+) people and all other people who identify with sexual diversity and the plurality of gender identities and expressions;

WHEREAS despite recent efforts to better include LGBTQ people, homophobia and transphobia remain present in society:

CONSIDERING that May 17 is the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, that it is celebrated in fact in many countries and that it resulted from a Quebec initiative carried out by the Emergence Foundation in 2003.

CONSIDERING there is reason to support the efforts of Emergence Foundation in holding this day;

It is resolved to proclaim May 17 INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA AND TRANSPHOBIA and to mark this day as such.

Adopted

B. Native Alliance of Québec

The Native Alliance of Québec has requested a donation on behalf of Local 019, Region 2 in Otter Lake.

Council has asked that the A.D.G. correspond with Local 019 in response to this request in order to ascertain exactly what a donation by Council would be used for.

The question is hereby tabled until this information is submitted to Council.

C. Pontiac Scholarship Fund

The Pontiac Scholarship Fund has requested a donation to go towards bursaries in the Pontiac.

After discussion Council has decided to deny the request and explore other alternatives to provide financial assistance to students in the Upper West Pontiac region.

11. Varia

12. In camera session

065-2022 Moved by councillor Bradshaw that the session continues in camera, at 9 :10 PM.

Adopted

066-2022 Moved by councillor Bradshaw to return to the meeting in progress, at 9:20 PM.

Adopted

067-2022 A. Administrative
Moved by councillor Brennan to accept the Assistant Director General's increase in weekly hours.

Adopted

13. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held April 4th,2022 at 6:30PM.

14. Closing of meeting

068-2022 Moved by Councillor Brennan Agnesi that the meeting be adjourned at 8:20PM.

Adopted

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Director General / Secretary-treasurer	Mayor

I, *Doris Ranger, Mayor*, certify that the signing of these minutes is equivalent to the signature by me of all the resolutions it contains, according to section 142 (2) of the Municipal Code.