

December 18th, 2018

At an extraordinary meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Stanstead Township, held on the **EIGHTEENTH** day of the month of **DECEMBER** in the year **TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEENTH**, at the same place of regular meetings.

PRESENT: Councillors Mary Cartmel, Louise Hébert, Jean DesRosiers, Christian Laporte, Pierre Martineau and Andrew Retchless.

ALL FORMING A QUORUM chaired by Mayor Francine Caron Markwell.

The Director General and Secretary Treasurer, Me Josiane Hudon, was also present in accordance with the *Law of Municipal Code*.

They were thirty-six (36) people in the audience.

1. Opening of the sitting

The Mayor, Mrs. Francine Caron Markwell, declared the opening of the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Members of the Council certify that they have received the notice referred to in section 156 of the Municipal Code, at least two days prior to this meeting.

The Mayor reminded the members of the Council and the citizens that the deliberations and question period, during this session, will exclusively focus on the budget and triennial program of capital projects, in accordance with article 153 of the Municipal Code.

18-12-299

2. Adoption of the agenda

***Proposed by Councillor Jean DesRosiers
Seconded by Councillor Mary Cartmel
It is resolved***

THAT the agenda be adopted as proposed.

18-12-300

3. Adoption of the budget 2019

WHEREAS the Council shall, during the period from November 15th to December 31st prepare and adopt the budget of the municipality for the next fiscal year and provide therein for revenues at least equal to the expenditures contained therein, in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 954 of *the Municipal Code*;

***Proposed by Councillor Andrew Retchless
Seconded by Councillor Louise Hébert
It is resolved by majority (5 for, 1 against)***

Councillor Pierre Martineau votes against this resolution and wishes that his dissent be recorded in the minutes:

Mr. Martineau mentions that since the beginning he felt that the majority of the council members wanted only to reduce expenses, which was for him a first constraint. He explains that the tax for the SQ alone has increased by 17% this year due in large part to a poor estimate of the contribution last year. He estimates that to advance all projects, the increase of 3.7% on everything and 3% for the general land only will not be enough. Moreover, he considers that to increase by only 0.22% for the Department of public work is unacceptable (not enough).

THAT Council adopts the Stanstead Township budget for the next fiscal year 2019 providing revenues equal to expenses and totalling as follows, namely:

REVENUES	
TAXES	BUDGET
Taxes Property	\$1 725 962
RCM Share	\$227 806
Police SQ	\$448 490
Special General Taxes by-laws 203-2000 & 204-2000 & 246-2003 & 384-2016 & 412-2018	\$ 2 438
Compressor tax of Fitch Bay sewer treatment plant	\$1 485
Compressor tax of Georgeville sewer treatment plant	\$ 2 250
Aqueduc Fitch Bay loan	\$3 343
Sanitation Georgeville -debt	\$ 14 863
Loan by-law 389-2016	\$9 383
Aqueduct service	\$24 763
Sewer system Fitch Bay	\$26 910
Sewer system Georgeville	\$ 29 855
Collection of waste	\$205 421
Emptying Septic Tanks	\$45 989
Other revenues from local source	\$ 8 615
Mutation right	\$211 000
Transfer	\$272 315
Public Security	\$47 700
Fines and interests	\$10 500
Other revenues	\$75 074
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3 394 162

EXPENSES	
Administration	\$618 032
Public Security	\$730 481
Road network	\$1 172 915
Environmental Health	\$553 816
Town Planning	\$178 707
Leisure	\$166 399
Financing charges	\$8 723
Refunding the debt and and working capitals	\$103 872
<i>Allocation of unallocated surplus for budgetary conciliation purposes</i>	<i>\$-138 783</i>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 3 394 162

CARRIED

18-12-301

4. Three-year capital budget 2019-2020-2021

WHEREAS Council must adopt by resolution the capital program of the municipality for next three fiscal years, this program should be divided into annual phases It must be detailed for the period coincident therewith, by subject, amount and method of financing in capital expenditures that the municipality plans to make;

***Proposed by Councillor Christian Laporte
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Retchless
It is resolved by the majority (4 for, 2 against)***

Councillors Pierre Martineau and Louise Hébert vote against this resolution and wish to have their dissent recorded in the minutes:

Mr. Martineau mentions that he doesn't agree with splitting the project of the town hall / barrack in two years, he would have done everything at the same time.

Ms. Hébert mentions that she is against the project in 2020 of the Town Hall.

THAT the municipality of Stanstead Township adopts the three-year capital budget for the fiscal years 2019-2020-2021, all in accordance with Article 953.1 of the Municipal Code, totalling as follows:

For 2019, \$ 1 817 000: construction of fire station, reloading of roads, cattle tunnel repair, guardrails, sludge disposal for Fitch Bay and Georgeville sewers, valves for pond in

Georgeville, renovation of shed at Forand Park, development of rustic trail, development a lookout point, purchase of sports equipment at Thayer Park.

For 2020, \$ 3 295 500: Town hall / community center project, reconstruction of Remick-Thayer roads, road reloading, Bunker road reconstruction, guardrails, culvert on Magoon Point (near Elephant), sludge disposal for Fitch Bay and Georgeville sewers, development at Thayer Park (continued), lookout (2nd) and repair Narrow's bridge.

For 2021, \$ 1 017 500: reloading roads, Remick-Thayer roads (end) guardrails, Copp Square pavement, sludge disposal for Fitch Bay and Georgeville sewers (end), development at Thayer Park (end), scenic lookout (end), repair of the Narrows Bridge (end).

CARRIED

5. Questions from citizens

18-12-302

6. Closing of the sitting

Closing of the meeting was proposed by Councillor Andrew Retchless it is 8:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Francine Caron Markwell
Mayor

Me Josiane Hudon
**Director General and Secretary-
Treasurer**

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