

JANUARY 13, 2025

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Township of Gore’s Municipal Council held at the Trinity Community Hall located at 2 Cambria Road in Gore, on **Monday January 13, 2025**, at **7 p.m.**

ARE PRESENT :

Councillors: Daniel Leduc, Sakina Khan, Shirley Roy, Anik Korosec and Anselmo Marandola forming a quorum and presided over by the Pro-Mayor, Alain Giroux.

Justified absence : Mayor Scott Pearce

The General Manager, Mrs. Julie Boyer, and the Clerk-treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Channell are also present.

CALL TO ORDER

The pro-mayor calls the present meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2025-01-001

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

WHEREAS the members of the council have familiarized themselves with the agenda of the present meeting;

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakin Khan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO ADOPT the agenda of the present meeting as presented.

CARRIED

2025-01-002

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 9, 2024

WHEREAS the minutes of the regular meeting held December 9, 2024 were given to council members at least seventy-two (72) hours before this meeting;

WHEREAS council members declare having received and read them.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy
SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held December 9, 2024 are approved as submitted.

CARRIED

2025-01-003

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING HELD
DECEMBER 17, 2024, AT 6:30 P.M.

WHEREAS the minutes of the special meeting held December 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. were given to council members at least seventy-two (72) hours before this meeting;

WHEREAS council members declare having received and read them.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakin Khan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

THAT the minutes of the special meeting for the adoption of the 2025 budget, held December 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., are approved as submitted.

CARRIED

2025-01-004

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD
DECEMBER 17, 2024, AT 7 P.M.

WHEREAS the minutes of the special meeting held December 17, 2024, were given to council members at least seventy-two (72) hours before this meeting;

WHEREAS council members declare having received and read them.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec
SECONDED BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

THAT the minutes of the special meeting held December 17, 2024, at 7 p.m. are approved as submitted.

CARRIED

SUBJECTS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

FIRST QUESTION PERIOD

A first question period was held during which the following subjects were discussed:

- Subdivision file
- Urbanism Service

TABLING OF THE ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF THE BY-LAW ON CONTRACT MANAGEMENT – FOR THE YEAR 2024

The clerk-treasurer tables with council the annual report regarding the application of the by-law on contract management for the year 2024.

TABLING OF THE LIST OF CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$ 25 000 FOR THE 2024 FINANCIAL YEAR

The list of contracts exceeding \$ 25 000 is presented and forms an integral part of these minutes. This report is presented in accordance with article 961.4 of the Municipal code of Québec (RLRQ c C-27.1).

2025-01-005 AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 2024-12-342 REGARDING THE CONCORDANCE AND SHORT-TERM LOAN FOR A BOND OF \$ 4 520 000 TO BE CONTRACTED ON JANUARY 21, 2025 – SIGNING OF THE BOND

WHEREAS item 8 of resolution 2024-12-342 states that the bonds be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer;

WHEREAS the Mayor will be unavailable at the time the bonds need to be signed, and the Pro-Mayor must be authorised in his stead.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec
SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO MODIFY item 8 of resolution 2024-12-342 to read the following :

“That the bonds be signed by the Mayor, or in his absence the Pro-Mayor, and the Clerk-Treasurer. The Municipality of the Township of Gore, as permitted by law, has mandated CDS to act as the authenticating financial agent and the obligations will only come into effect once they have been authenticated. »

CARRIED

2025-01-006 CONTRACT AWARDED FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - EVALUATION OF THE DRAINAGE DEVICE AND THE PREPERATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS TO REPAIR LAKE DAWSON DAM (X0004841)

WHEREAS the municipality wishes to proceed with the evaluation of the drainage system of the Lake Dawson dam (X0004841);

WHEREAS the municipality must also have the plans and specifications for the repair work of the said dam prepared;

WHEREAS the Director of Infrastructure and Parks has asked two firms specializing in this field to produce bids for this project;

WHEREAS after the analysis of the bids, the Director of Infrastructure and Parks recommends that the contract be awarded to the firm Aqua Ingenium.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakin Khan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AWARD the contract for the evaluation of the drainage device and the production of plans and specifications to repair the Lake Dawson Dam (X0004841) to the firm Aqua Ingenium for an amount of \$30 380 plus taxes.

CARRIED

**2025-01-007 CONTRACT AWARDED FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – 5 YEAR
INSPECTION OF SOLAR (X0004845) AND CAROLINE (X0004852) DAMS**

WHEREAS the municipality must proceed with an inspection of the Solar and Caroline dams every 5 years;

WHEREAS the firm Aqua Ingenium has submitted a service offer to evaluate the dams.

WHEREAS the Director of Infrastructure and Parks recommends that the contract be awarded to Aqua Ingenium.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy
SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AWARD the contract for the 5-year inspection of the Solar (X0004845) and Caroline (X0004852) dams to the firm Aqua Ingenium for an amount of \$12 640 plus taxes.

CARRIED

**2025-01-008 AWARDING OF A CONTRACT FOR THE ANNUAL INSPECTION OF THE FIRE
DEPARTMENT'S SELF-CONTAINED PERSONAL BREATHING APPARATUS
(SCBA)**

WHEREAS the municipality must have the performance of its self-contained personal breathing apparatus (SCBA) inspected annually and perform the necessary maintenance to ensure the performance of this equipment;

WHEREAS the company Aréo-Feu Ltee has submitted a service offer to carry out the evaluations in accordance with the standards in effect;

WHEREAS the Director of the Fire Department recommends that the contract be awarded to Aréo-Feu Ltd.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakin Khan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AWARD the contract for the annual inspection of the fire department's self-contained personal breathing apparatus (SCBA) to the firm Aréo-Feu Ltd. for an amount of \$989.50 plus taxes.

CARRIED

**2025-01-009 PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION AND ALLOCATION TO UNALLOCATED
SURPLUS: TRACTOR NEW HOLLAND**

WHEREAS the municipality must replace its Case tractor ;

WHEREAS the Director of Infrastructure and Parks has searched the local market and found a used tractor that meets the needs of the municipality and is being sold for \$ 45 000 plus taxes ;

WHEREAS, after the evaluating the condition of the used tractor and it's equipment, the Director of Infrastructure and Parks recommends the purchase of this equipment to the members of Council.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AUTHORIZE the purchase of the 2016 New Holland T4.90 tractor (NS: ZFLE51726) with the 2016 Snowblower Pronovost P860 (NS: 41685) sold by David Riddell Excavation for an amount of \$45 000, plus taxes;

TO ALLOCATE this expenditure to the unallocated surplus;

TO AUTHORIZE the Director of Infrastructure and Parks, Mr. Dominique Aubry, to sign the necessary documents for the purchase of this equipment.

CARRIED

2025-01-010

OFFICIAL SIGNATURES - S.A.A.Q.

WHEREAS every year, the municipal council must renew the proxy naming its representatives at the S.A.A.Q.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

SECONDED BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AUTHORIZE Mrs. Diane Chales, Assistant director of finances Clerk-Treasurer Assistant and Assistant for the fire protection services, or in her absence, Mr. Christian Masse, Inventory and Maintenance Manager, to sign all necessary documents with the S.A.A.Q. regarding all transactions related to all municipal vehicles.

CARRIED

2025-01-011

AUTHORIZATION TO POST AND HIRE - SUMMER INTERN POSITIONS AND OTHER STUDENT JOBS

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore wishes to hire students this summer to support the various departments of the municipality;

WHEREAS internship and summer employment programs offer students the opportunity to develop field experience and apply their knowledge;

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore wishes to encourage educational programs and participate in training the next generation;

WHEREAS several grants exist to encourage student employment during the summer season.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakin Khan

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AUTHORIZE the posting of the following positions:

- Environmental Intern;
- Urban Planning Intern;
- Student Employment – Beattie Park;
- Municipal boat launch attendant.

TO AUTHORIZE the general manager **TO HIRE** the necessary students based on the results of the interviews and in accordance with the municipality's policies, conditional on obtaining the "student employment" grant for the summer.

CARRIED

2025-01-012

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR A GRANT UNDER *THE YOUNG SPORT FISHERS' PROGRAM*

WHEREAS the Municipality provides fishing opportunities for visitors at Beattie Lake Park;

WHEREAS the municipality's territory is dotted with lakes that have been stocked to provide environments suitable for fishing;

WHEREAS fishing is a sport that must be done in such a way as to ensure that the environment is respected, allowing the possibility for future generation to also partake ;

WHEREAS the "Young sport fishers" program allows young people aged 6 to 17 to experience a day of sport fishing, where they discover the basics of fishing, from fish biology to the responsibilities of a good fisher.

WHEREAS the Council has a great appreciation for the values taught by the "Young sport fishers".

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shirley Roy

AND **RESOLVED** unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AUTHORIZE the deposit of a grant request under the "Young sport fishers" program to hold an initiation to fishing event within the territory of the Township of Gore.

TO DESIGNATE Mrs. Julie Boyer, General Manager, as the person authorized to act on behalf of the Municipality of the Township of Gore and to sign, on its behalf, all documents relating to the above-mentioned project.

CARRIED

2025-01-013

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LACHUTE FOR DAY CAMP SERVICES

WHEREAS the Municipality of the Township of Gore does not currently have the infrastructure and resources necessary to provide day camp services to its citizens;

WHEREAS a number of young citizens of the Township of Gore attend schools located within the territory of the City of Lachute and therefore, look towards the day camp offered by the City for their winter break and summer activities;

WHEREAS the City of Lachute is responsible for operating costs related to the smooth running of the day camp activities;

WHEREAS the City of Lachute wishes to have an agreement with the Municipality of the Township of Gore regarding the coverage of certain expenses related to non-resident applicants at the day camp;

WHEREAS the Township of Gore's municipal Council would like to offer its citizens the opportunity to enjoy the Lachute day camp, including its regular services and services related to the integration of young people with special needs.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Sakin Khan

SECONDED BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc

AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO AUTHORIZE the Mayor, Mr. Scott Pearce and the General Manager, Mrs. Julie Boyer to sign the 2025 agreement with the city of Lachute for day camp services on behalf of the municipality.

CARRIED

2025-01-014

SUPPORT GIVEN TO THE CITY OF BROWNSBURG-CHATHAM REGARDING REQUESTS MADE TO THE MINISTÈRE DES TRANSPORTS ET DE LA MOBILITÉ DURABLE DU QUÉBEC FOLLOWING THE CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE HENRI-RABY BRIDGE

WHEREAS the Henri-Raby Bridge, located on Main Street in the City of Brownsburg-Chatham, was completely closed to all traffic on December 5, 2024.

WHEREAS the bridge belongs to the Ministère des Transports et de la Mobilité durable (MTMD) and that its repair, although planned for more than five years, has been constantly postponed.

WHEREAS during the sudden and unannounced closure of the bridge, the City of Brownsburg-Chatham quickly set up a detour to ensure the continuous and safe flow of traffic within its territory.

WHEREAS the City of Brownsburg-Chatham has requested the reimbursement of costs associated with establishing the detour needed as a result of the unexpected closure of the bridge owned by the MTMD.

WHEREAS the bridge's closure causes several inconveniences for the City of Brownsburg-Chatham, including the accelerated deterioration and additional maintenance of the roads used by the detour, for which compensation has been requested.

WHEREAS the City of Brownsburg-Chatham has required the MTMD to implement a strategy ensuring the safe passage of active transportation users along the bridge.

WHEREAS the Municipal Council of the City of Brownsburg-Chatham has also requested that the MTMD immediately provide them with a clear timeline for the completion of the bridge replacement work;

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Gore considers it unfair that the MTMD has made the City of Brownsburg-Chatham bear the consequences of postponing the repairs to the Henri-Raby Bridge;

WHEREAS the council of the Municipality of Gore considers the absence of a clear bridge replacement work timeline demonstrates a lack of understanding by the MTMD of the consequences its actions on the City of Brownsburg-Chatham, which must prepare its budgets and work accordingly, as well as answer questions from its citizens;

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola
SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

THAT the preamble forms an integral part of this resolution;

THAT the Municipality of the Township of Gore Supports the City of Brownsburg-Chatham in its:

- efforts to obtain reimbursement and compensation for the additional work it had to do, and is still doing, to ensure the continuous and safe flow of traffic on its road network following the unforeseen closure of Henri-Raby Bridge belonging to the Ministère des Transports et de la Mobilité durable (MTMD);
- requests that the MTMD to find a solution that will ensure the safe passage of active transportation users on the bridge;
- requirement to have a clear timeline of the bridge replacement work available to them without delay.

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility, the Deputy of Argenteuil and the Laurentides-Lanaudière Executive Directorate of the MTMD;

THAT a copy of this resolution also be sent to the RCM of Argenteuil and the City of Brownsburg-Chatham.

CARRIED

TABLING OF THE MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2024

During the month, we delivered 22 permits as follows:

Amount delivered	Type
3	Residential Tree Cutting
1	+ 20 m2 Secondary Building
4	Septic System
7	New construction
4	Well
2	Renovation
1	Subdivision
22	TOTAL

TABLING OF THE FIRE SAFETY SERVICE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2024

The clerk-treasurer tables to the Council the report prepared by the Director of the Fire Safety Service detailing the activities of the service for the month of December 2024.

2025-01-015 APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

WHEREAS Council members have taken note of the report dated January 13, 2025 regarding the invoices and salaries paid in December 2024 and the invoices to be paid for the month of January 2025.

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Daniel Leduc
SECONDED BY: Councillor Sakina Khan
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO APPROVE the invoices and salaries paid in December 2024 and the invoices to be paid for the month of January 2025 totaling \$ 964 340.24 and authorize their payment;

THAT the report dated January 13, 2025 be annexed to the minutes to form an integral part thereof.

CARRIED

SECOND QUESTION PERIOD

A second question period was held during which the following subjects were discussed:

- Community composters – frequency of the collection
- Procedures for awarding contracts

2025-01-016 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

IT IS **MOVED** BY: Councillor Anik Korosec
SECONDED BY: Councillor Anselmo Marandola
AND RESOLVED unanimously by Councillors (5):

TO CLOSE the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

CARRIED