

**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
TOWN OF METIS-SUR-MER**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON APRIL 6, 2020**

Minutes of the regular session of the Council of the Town of Metis-sur-Mer held on Monday April 6, 2020, behind closed doors in the boardroom, 138, Principale, Métis-sur-Mer, at 7:30 p.m.

Councillor Ms. Martine Bouchard attends the meeting by teleconference, Councillors Luc Hamelin, Simon Brochu and René Lepage attend the meeting by video conference and Councillor Ms. Rita D. Turriff and Councillor Mr. Raynald Banville attend the meeting in person at 138 Principal, Métis-sur-Mer forming quorum under the Mayor, Carolle-Anne Dubé , who attends the meeting by video conference.

Also present, at 138, Principal, Métis-sur-Mer: Mr. Stéphane Marcheterre, Director General and Secretary-Treasurer.

1. Call to order and acceptance of the board for a videoconference meeting.

RESOLUTION #20-04-51
OPENING OF THE ASSEMBLY

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Raynald Banville and unanimously resolved that the session of the Council of the Town of Metis-sur-Mer is opened at 7:30 pm.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE BOARD FOR A VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING
RESOLUTION #20-04-52

CONSIDERING Decree Number 177-2020 of March 13, 2020, which declared a state of health emergency throughout Quebec for an initial period of ten days;

CONSIDERING Decree Number 388-2020 of 29 March 2020 which extends this state of emergency until April 7 2020;

CONSIDERING Decree 2020-004 of the Minister of Health and Social Services that allows the board to make a meeting by videoconference and authorizes members to participate, deliberate and vote in a meeting by any types of communication;

CONSIDERING that it is in the public interest and to protect the health of the public, council members and municipal officers that this meeting be held behind closed doors and that council members and municipal officers be allowed to attend and participate, deliberate and vote at the meeting by video conference and/or teleconference.

IN CONSEQUENCE, it is proposed by Councillor Ms. Martine Bouchard and unanimously resolved:

THAT the Council agrees that this meeting should be held behind closed doors and that some Councillors may participate by videoconference and/or teleconference.

2. Reading and adoption of the agenda

RESOLUTION #20-04-53
AGENDA

It is proposed by Councillor Ms. Rita D. Turriff and unanimously resolved to adopt the following agenda for the session:

- 1. Call to order and acceptance of the board for a videoconference meeting;**
- 2. Reading and adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Approval of the minutes of:**
 - 3.1** The regular session held on March 16, 2020.
- 4. Monthly reports from MacNider Borough and committees:**
 - 4.1** MacNider Borough council.
 - 4.2** Local development committee.
 - 4.3** Leisure committee.
 - 4.4** Library committee.
 - 4.5** Beautification committee
- 5. Treasury**
 - 5.1** Accounts payable.

6. Administration

6.1 Modification of interest rate for arrears on tax payments.

6.2 Notice of motion is given to adopt regulation 20-145 amending regulation 16-99 for animals at Métis-sur-Mer.

7. Public work

7.1 Purchase of a heated trailer with the Municipality of Ste-Flavie and signing of the agreement.

8. Town Planning

8.1 Adoption of draft by-law # 20-144 amending by-law # 08-43 relating to minor zoning variation.

8.2 Application for construction permits in PIIA area - 373 rue Beach.

9. Fire and emergency service

Nil

10. Leisure and culture

Nil

11. Question period (30 minutes réf.: règl. 18-122)

12. Adjournment

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF:

3.1 The regular session held on March 16, 2020.

RESOLUTION #20-04-54

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE TOWN OF METIS-SUR-MER HELD ON MARCH 16, 2020

Each Member of the Council having received a copy of the minutes of the regular session of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer held at the municipal hall, 138 Principale, Métis-sur-Mer, Monday, March 16, 2020 at least 24 hours before the present session, the Clerk is exempt from the reading (Art. 333, LCV).

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Raynald Banville and resolved unanimously to approve the minutes.

4. REPORTS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES.

4.1 MacNider Borough Council

Ms. Rita D. Turriff, member of the MacNider Borough Council, mentions the subjects which were handled at both Council meetings held on April 6, 2020:

- Request to the MRC - PM-150 Fund - electric charging station.
- Partnership agreement with HQ for the deployment of charging stations for electric vehicles.
- Modification of some planning by-laws.
- To approve the Family Policy Action Plan.
- Sponsorship requested for two murals for both schools.
- To approve the Fire Department's 2019 Annual Report.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:30 pm at Municipal Office.

4.2 Development Committee

There is a new service set up by the CLD, it is the Virtual Frigo, it is a service to help vulnerable people in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic within the territory of Métis-sur-Mer.

RESOLUTION #20-04-54A

On this point, Councillor Mr. René Lepage proposes that the Council of the Town of Métis-sur-Mer pays \$ 500 to support this project. It is unanimously resolved to give \$500 dedicated specifically to the *Virtual Frigo* project.


4.3 Leisure Committee

Nothing new.

4.3 Library Committee

Nothing new.

4.4 Beautification Committee

The trees are ordered and hopefully  distribution will take place on May 30 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the municipal office.

5. TREASURY

5.1 Accounts payable.

RESOLUTION 20-04-55
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

It is proposed by Councillor Ms. Martine Bouchard and resolved unanimously that the Council of the Town of Metis-sur-Mer adopts the list of disbursements for an amount of \$ 116 060.83 for March 2020, adopts the list of accounts payable for an amount of \$ 28 838.14 for March 2020 and authorizes the Secretary - Treasurer to make the payment for these accounts. The Treasurer certifies the availability of credits to make the above payments.

6. ADMINISTRATION

6.1 Modification of interest rate for arrears on tax payments.

RESOLUTION #20-04-56
MODIFICATION OF INTEREST RATE FOR ARREARS ON TAX PAYMENTS

CONSIDERING THAT Regulation #19-138 provides that the interest rate applicable to any amount owed for the first two years of Métis-sur-Mer is set at 10%;

CONSIDERING THAT section 481 of the *Loi sur les Cités et Villes* authorizes the Town of Métis-sur-Mer to issue a different rate by resolution than the settlement rate, whenever it deems appropriate;

CONSIDERING that the situation of several citizens could become precarious as a result of COVID-19 and the directives issued by the provincial government, the Town of Métis-sur-Mer wishes to help these taxpayers by lowering the interest rate applicable to any debt owed to it on the first payment of taxes on March 19, 2020 and on the second payment of taxes on June 11, 2020.

FOR THESE REASONS,

It is proposed by Councillor Ms. Rita D. Turriff and unanimously resolved,

THAT the interest rate applicable to any unpaid taxes to the Town of Métis-sur-Mer, on the first tax payment of March 19, 2020 and on the second tax payment of June 11, 2020, until June 30, 2020 is set at 0% per year;

THAT this interest rate applies until July 1, 2020 and will be restored to 10% after this period.

6.2 Notice of motion is given to adopt regulation 20-145 amending regulation 16-99 for animals at Métis-sur-Mer.

RESOLUTION #20-04-57
NOTICE OF MOTION IS GIVEN TO ADOPT REGULATION 20-145 AMENDING REGULATION 16-99 FOR ANIMALS AT MÉTIS-SUR-MER

Notice of motion is given to adopt regulation 20-145 amending Regulation 16-99 for animals in Métis-sur-Mer at a later meeting. The purpose of this by-law is to enable the Town to respect the *Loi provinciale visant à favoriser la protection des personnes par la mise en place d'un encadrement concernant les chiens*.

7. PUBLIC WORKS

7.1 Purchase of a heated trailer with the Municipality of Ste-Flavie and signing of the agreement.

RESOLUTION #20-04-58
PURCHASE OF A HEATED TRAILER WITH THE MUNICIPALITY OF STE-FLAVIE AND SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT

CONSIDERING THAT the Town of Métis-sur-Mer and the Municipality of Ste-Flavie filed an application for financial assistance in 2019 to jointly acquire a heated trailer (res. #19-07-103)

CONSIDERING THAT the request for financial assistance has been accepted

CONSIDERING THAT the cost to acquire the trailer is \$ 53,333.65, the MAMH financial assistance is \$ 25,000 and the Town of Métis-sur-Mer's part will be \$ 14,166.82 and that this amount is budgeted for 2020;

FOR THESE REASONS

It was proposed by Councillor Mr. René Lepage and unanimously resolved that the Métis-sur-Mer Council authorizes the Mayor and the Director General to sign an agreement to acquire and use common road equipment with the Municipality of Ste-Flavie.

8. TOWN PLANNING

8.1 Adoption of draft by-law # 20-144 amending by-law # 08-43 relating to minor zoning variation.

RESOLUTION #20-04-59

ADOPTION OF DRAFT BY-LAW # 20-144 AMENDING BY-LAW # 08-43 RELATING TO MINOR ZONING VARIATION

CONSIDERING THAT the act respecting land use planning and development provides that the Town Council may amend its urbanism planning (L. R. Q., chapter A-19.1, section 109 and the following);

CONSIDERING THAT the Town Council wishes to adjust the by-law on minor derogations relating to the conditions of acceptance;

FOR THESE REASONS,

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Simon Brochu and unanimously resolved that the draft regulation number 20-144 be adopted.

8.2 Application for construction permits in PIIA area - 373 rue Beach.

RESOLUTION #20-04-60

APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMITS IN PIIA AREA - 373 RUE BEACH

The application for a building permit is for the expansion of a main building in the PIIA area.

CONSIDERING THAT the location of the site keeps its natural characteristics (relief, vegetation, drainage, etc.) and the extended building does not obstruct visual breakthroughs on elements of heritage or landscape interest from the public road;

CONSIDERING THAT the shape, slope and materials of the roof of the extended part are similar to those of the original part;

CONSIDERING THAT the type of material used for the exterior siding of the walls of the extended part are similar in appearance to or complement visually, the original part.

FOR THESE REASONS,

It is proposed by Councillor Mr. Raynald Banville and unanimously resolved that the Métis-sur-Mer Town Council agrees with the recommendations of the CCU to accept the application as submitted in all documents submitted for approval of a permit application in the PIIA area. Also, accepts the suggestion to ask the applicant to change the style of the front door of the extension so that it will be like that already present on the building.

9. FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICE

Nil

10. LEISURE AND CULTURE

Nil

11. QUESTION PERIOD

There is no question period because the meeting is held behind closed doors.

12. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION #20-04-61
ADJOURNMENT

The agenda being exhausted, it is proposed by Councillor Mr. Luc Hamelin that this session be adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Carolle-Anne Dubé, Mayor

Stéphane Marcheterre,
Director General and Secretary-treasurer