

Municipality of Morin-Heights

**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
ARGENTEUIL COUNTY
MRC DES PAYS D'EN-HAUT**

MINUTES

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English translation.*

Minutes of the regular session of the Municipal council of Morin-Heights held via the Zoom platform in the Town Hall council room at 567, chemin du Village on Wednesday, January 20th, 2021 at which were present:

Councillor Jean Dutil
Councillor Leigh MacLeod
Councillor Claude P. Lemire
Councillor Louise Cossette
Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais
Councillor Peter MacLaurin

forming quorum under the chairmanship of Mayor Timothy Watchorn.

The Director general, Mr. Hugo Lépine is present.

The meeting is held in accordance to the Quebec Ministry of Health and social services' 2020-079 ministerial decree.

At 19:35, the Mayor states quorum, and Council deliberates on the following dossiers;

1.01.21 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT the agenda as presented by Director general.

AGENDA

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- END OF THE MEETING

2.01.21 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SITTING OF DECEMBER 9TH, 2020

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 9th, 2020 were given to Council members, by means of the electronic assembly file folder.

It is proposed by Councillor Peter MacLaurin
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT the minutes of the regular meeting of December 9th, 2020;

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**3.01.21 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET SITTING OF DECEMBER 16TH,
2020**

The minutes of the special budget meeting of December 16th, 2020 were notified to Council members, by means of the electronic assembly file folder.

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire

And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT the minutes of the special budget meeting of December 16th, 2020;

**4.01.21 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SITTING OF DECEMBER 16TH,
2020**

The minutes of the special meeting of December 16th, 2020 were notified to Council members, by means of the electronic assembly file folder.

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette

And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT the minutes of the special meeting of December 16th, 2020;

**5.01.21 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY MEETING OF
DECEMBER 8TH, 2020**

The Director general presents the minutes of the latest town planning advisory committee meeting of December 8th, 2020;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean Dutil

And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT the minutes of the latest town planning advisory committee meeting of December 8th, 2020 and notice is taken of its recommendations.

6.01.21 DIRECTOR GENERAL'S MONTHLY REPORT

The Director general presents his monthly follow-up report as well as the report regarding the use of delegated power as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

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7.01.21 REPORT REGARDING THE FOLLOW-UP OF DOSSIERS

The Director general presents his monthly activities report.

8.01.21 REPORT REGARDING THE USE OF DELEGATED POWER

In accordance to By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration, the Director general presents his report regarding the use of delegated power during the last month.

9.01.21 EXPENSE STATEMENT

The list of accounts payable and accounts paid during the month of December 2020 was given to Council members by means of the electronic assembly as well as the list of authorized expenses for the month as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

Councillor Claude P. Lemire studied the dossier.

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO APPROVE the accounts as detailed on the lists presented.

Expense statements from December 1 st to 31 st , 2020	
Accounts to be paid	\$ 522 302.98
Accounts paid in advance	\$ 566 455.29
Total purchases	\$ 1 088 758.27
Direct bank payments	\$ 20 904.43
Sub-total – purchases and direct payments	\$ 1 109 662.70
Net salaries	\$ 191 179.61
GRAND TOTAL (December 2020)	\$ 1 300 842.31

Mayor Timothy Watchorn has denounced his employment with the company 9129-6558 Québec Inc. – known as David Riddell Excavation / Transport, has refrained from voting, left the premises during deliberations and has not taken part in the discussions regarding the dossier pertaining to the company.

The Mayor and the Director general are authorized to make the appropriate payments;

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10.01.21 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Director general presents Council who acknowledges receipt of the statement of financial activities to December 31st, 2020. He specifies that the final accounting entries for the 2020 financial year are underway. It is clear that there will be a surplus.

11.01.21 PRESENTATION – LIST OF CONTRACTS OVER \$ 2,000 TOTALIZING \$ 25,000

In accordance to the provisions of Article 961.4 of the Municipal code, the Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt, of the list of contracts over \$ 2,000 totalizing \$ 25,000 and over by supplier.

This list will be published on the website as of January 22nd, 2021.

A.M. 1.01.21 NOTICE OF MOTION AND PRESENTATION OF DRAFT BY-LAW (613-2021) MODIFYING BY-LAW (564-2018) REGARDING THE RULES GOVERNING COUNCIL SETTINGS PERTAINING TO THE STATUTORY AGENDA

Notice of motion is given by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais that By-law (613-2021) modifying By-law (564-2018) regarding the rules governing council sittings pertaining to the statutory agenda will be presented at a future council meeting.

Draft by-law (613-2021) modifying By-law (564-2018) regarding the rules governing council sittings pertaining to the statutory agenda will be presented at a future council meeting.

12.01.21 TRANSFER OF LOT 3 736 911 TO HABITATS MORIN-HEIGHTS INC.

WHEREAS THAT Council has agreed to support the assisted housing project on lot 3 736 911 located along chemin du Lac Écho;

CONSIDERING resolution 169-05-19 regarding the support of the Habitats Morin-Heights project;

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WHEREAS THAT resolution 178-05-19 has rendered lot 3 736 911 available to Habitats Morin-Heights for the carrying out of the assisted housing project and that an eventual transfer will be considered as a contribution within the Accès-Logis program, section 2;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette
It is resolved:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO TRANSFER lot 3 736 911, free of charge, from the Municipality's land reserve to Habitats Morin-Heights for the purpose of carrying out the assisted housing project;

TO IMPOSE the condition of including a discretionary retrocession clause or compensation for the deed of transfer to follow should the transferee want to sell the lot to a third party;

TO AUTHORIZE the Mayor and the Director general to sign the notarized deed of transfer for and in the Municipality's name;

13.01.21 MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Director general presents council, who acknowledge receipt of, the monthly report for the month of December from the Director, Fire department and the list of authorized expenses for the month as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

14.01.21 SÛRETÉ DU QUÉBEC POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Council has not received any reports.

15.01.21 MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of, the monthly report for the month of December from the Director, public works, the list of requests as well as the list of expenses authorized during the month of December 2020 as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

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**16.01.21 COMMITMENT – ROADS AUTHORIZATION – ACT
RESPECTING ROADS**

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality must undertake work on roads maintained by the ministry of Transport;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality must obtain permission in order to intervene on roads which are maintained by the Ministry;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality is responsible for work they undertake and manage;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality agrees to respect the clauses permitted as issued by the ministry of Transport;

CONSIDERING Articles 37 and 38 of the Public works Act;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality agrees to return the road infrastructure to its original state;

It is proposed by Councillor Leigh MacLeod
It is resolved:

THAT the Municipality ask the ministère des Transports, de la Mobilité durable et de l'Électrification des transports to grant the permission to work on the roads during 2021 and that it is authorizes Sacha Desfossés to sign the authorizations in order for the work, which estimated costs to return to its condition do not exceed \$ 10,000 since the Municipality agrees to respect the clauses permitted.

THAT the Municipality agrees to ask permission each time it is deemed necessary.

**17.01.21 REPORT REGARDING THE TREATMENT OF PETITIONS
AND REQUESTS**

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt, of summary report regarding petitions and requests to January 15th, 2021.

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**18.01.21 EMPLOYEE STATUS CHANGE FOR A LABOURER-DRIVER
-OPERATOR**

CONSIDERING municipal council's resolution 368-11-20 in which Mr. Alexandre Champagne, labourer-driver-operator was given the status of regular salaried on trial basis employee as per the collective agreement in effect;

WHEREAS THAT Mr. Champagne has completed his eight (8) month trial period as stipulated in said agreement;

CONSIDERING THAT the Director, Public works department and the Foreman, public works and mechanics have proceeded with the employee's evaluation and that this evaluation is positive and satisfactory;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean Dutil
It is resolved:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO CONFIRM the change of status for Mr. Alexandre Champagne, labourer-driver-operator for the Public works and infrastructures department to a regular salaried employee with all of the rights and benefits stipulated in the collective agreement in effect;

**19.01.21 REPAIRS TO ROUTE 329 BETWEEN CHEMIN BLUE HILLS AND
ROUTE 329 – PRIORITIZATION BY THE MTQ**

WHEREAS THAT the municipal council repaired a section of Route 329 between chemin Blue Hills and Route 364, an absolute urgent priority for the users of this road particularly dangerous in its dismal state, by resolution 182-06-20;

CONSIDERING THAT the Quebec Ministry of transport, responsible for the management of this road belonging to the Municipality as per the Act respecting roads, had accepted the Municipality's requests regarding the repairs to a section of this road and had agreed to proceed with major work as of the summer of 2021

WHEREAS THE MTQ, in its letter dated December 15th, 2020, reneged on its commitment and renounced on its promises by postponing the work until 2023, in the best case scenario;

CONSIDERING THAT the Quebec government's disengagement is unacceptable for the Municipality and the MTQ must show better sensitivity regarding this dossier;

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It is proposed by Councillor Peter MacLaurin
It is resolved:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO strongly DENOUNCE the Quebec Ministry of transport's refusal to prioritize the repairs to Route 329 between chemin Blue Hills and Route 364 in 2021;

TO FORWARD a copy of this resolution to the Deputy of Argenteuil, to the Minister responsible for the Laurentians' region and to the Quebec Ministry of transport.

20.01.21 INTERIM DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

The Director general presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of the monthly report for December 2020 from the Interim Director of the Urbanism and Environment as well as the list of authorized expenses as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

21.01.21 REPORT REGARDING PERMITS AND CERTIFICATES

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt, of the list of permits and certificates to January 15th, 2021.

22.01.21 ANIMAL PROTECTION AND CONTROL SOCIETY'S ACTIVITY REPORT

The town manager presents Council with the quarterly report regarding the Société de protection des animaux's activities for the municipality.

23.01.21 MINOR EXEMPTION – 431, CHEMIN ST-ADOLPHE

- The president of the assembly opens the consultation meeting regarding the minor derogation at 19:47;
- The president of the assembly invites the Director general to read the proposal and explain the requested derogation;

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- The president of the assembly invites anyone interested who were duly convened to this meeting by public notice dated January 5th, 2021 be heard in this dossier. The meeting ends at 19:50;

CONSIDERING a third request for minor exemption to Zoning by-law 416 regarding the extension of an existing residence within the riparian protection strip of 15 meters as stipulated in Article 134 of Zoning by-law 416 as well as within the 20-meter non-construction strip stipulated in Article 37 of Zoning by-law 416 for the residence located at 431, chemin St-Adolphe was submitted and presented;

CONSIDERING the urbanism regulation minor derogations by-law (459);

WHEREAS the Planning advisory committee studied the request and does not recommend Council's approval of the derogation request;

WHEREAS a public notice was given in conformity to the law;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais

And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO APPROVE the request for minor exemption which stipulated the extension of the existing residence without any encroachment into the riparian zone as stipulated in the provincial policy (no structural overhang within this 10 meters) but with:

- Encroachment within the riparian zone of 15 meters as stipulated in Article 134 of Zoning by-law 416;
- Encroachment with the non-construction residential strip as stipulated in Article 37 of Zoning by-law 416.

As shown on the construction plan prepared by Roch Labelle, surveyor dated December 8th, 2020 (minute 14102).

24.01.21 MINOR EXEMPTION – LOT 3 735 192, CHEMIN DU VILLAGE

- The president of the assembly opens the consultation meeting regarding the minor derogation at 19:50;
- The president of the assembly invites the Director general to read the proposal and explain the requested derogation;
- The president of the assembly invites anyone interested who were duly convened to this meeting by public notice dated January 5th, 2021 be heard in this dossier. The meeting ends at 19:52 ;

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CONSIDERING a request for minor exemption to Zoning by-law 416 regarding the construction of a new commercial building for the property located on Village road, lot 3 735 192 was submitted and presented;

CONSIDERING the urbanism regulation minor derogations by-law (459);

WHEREAS the Planning advisory committee studied the request and does not recommend Council's approval of the derogation request;

WHEREAS a public notice was given in conformity to the law;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean Dutil
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO REJECT the request for minor exemption as presented.

25.01.21 **MINOR EXEMPTION – 450, CHEMIN BLUE HILLS**

- The president of the assembly opens the consultation meeting regarding the minor derogation at 19:52;
- The president of the assembly invites the Director general to read the proposal and explain the requested derogation;
- The president of the assembly invites anyone interested who were duly convened to this meeting by public notice dated January 5th, 2021 be heard in this dossier. The meeting ends at 19:56;

CONSIDERING a third request for minor exemption to Zoning by-law 416 to regulate the presence of an uncovered gallery at 6.8 meters from the rear limit of the lot while the minimum required is of 8.5 meters and of a covered gallery at 8.08 meters from the rear limit of the lot while the minimum required is of 10 meters for the residence located at 450, chemin Blue Hills was submitted and presented;

CONSIDERING the urbanism regulation minor derogations by-law (459);

WHEREAS the Planning advisory committee studied the request and partly recommends Council's approval of the derogation request;

WHEREAS a public notice was given in conformity to the law;

It is proposed by Councillor Petr MacLaurin
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

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TO APPROVE the request for minor exemption, specifically to regulate the presence of an uncovered gallery at 6.8 meters from the rear setback while the minimum required is 8.5 meters as per Article 38 of Zoning by-law 416 and to refuse part of the request pertaining to the covered gallery.

**26.01.21 MINOR EXEMPTION – PROJECTED LOT 6 407 548
(RANGE 2)**

- The president of the assembly opens the consultation meeting regarding the minor derogation at 19:56;
- The president of the assembly invites the Director general to read the proposal and explain the requested derogation;
- The president of the assembly invites anyone interested who were duly convened to this meeting by public notice dated January 5th, 2021 be heard in this dossier. The meeting ends at 19:58;

CONSIDERING a third request for minor exemption to Subdivision by-law 417 regarding the creation of projected lot 6 407 548 for which the minimum width must be 40 meters, but measures 37.95 meters for the property located on Range 2 was submitted and presented;

CONSIDERING the urbanism regulation minor derogations by-law (459);

WHEREAS the Planning advisory committee studied the request and recommends Council's approval of the derogation request;

WHEREAS a public notice was given in conformity to the law;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette

And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO APPROVE the request for minor exemption specifically to approve the creation of projected lot 6 407 548 which has a minimum width of 37.95 meters while the minimum required is 40 meters as per Article 24 of Subdivision by-law 417 conditional to the issuance of the pertinent subdivision permit;

As shown on the draft subdivision plans prepared by Jean Blondin, surveyor, dated November 24th, 2020 (minute 41338).

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**27.01.21 MINOR EXEMPTION – PROJECTED LOT (CHEMIN DU LAC
BOUCHETTE)**

- The president of the assembly opens the consultation meeting regarding the minor derogation at 19:58;
- The president of the assembly invites the Director general to read the proposal and explain the requested derogation;
- The president of the assembly invites anyone interested who were duly convened to this meeting by public notice dated January 5th, 2021 be heard in this dossier. The meeting ends at 20:00;

CONSIDERING a third request for minor exemption to Subdivision by-law 417 regarding the creation of a lot which the minimum average width must be 50 meters while this is 47.68 meters as per the presented plan for the property located on chemin du Lac Bouchette was submitted and presented;

CONSIDERING the urbanism regulation minor derogations by-law (459);

WHEREAS the Planning advisory committee studied the request and recommends Council's approval of the derogation request;

WHEREAS a public notice was given in conformity to the law;

It is proposed by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO APPROVE the request for minor exemption specifically to approve the creation of a lot which the minimum average width of preliminary lot number 2 must be 50 meters while this is 47.68 meters as per Article 24 of Subdivision by-law 417;

As shown on the draft subdivision plan prepared by « BJB Inc. » on October 20th, 2020 (minute 17020).

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A.M. 2.01.21 NOTICE OF MOTION AND PRESENTATION OF DRAFT BY-LAW (614-2021) MODIFYING BY-LAW (607-2020) TEMPORARY CONTROL LIMITING CADASTRAL OPERATIONS IN ORDER TO RESPECT FUTURE ORIENTATIONS OF THE NEW URBANISM PLAN TO ENACT PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO PARTICULAR CONSTRUCTION, MODIFICATION OR OCCUPATION PROJECTS FOR A PROPERTY AND THE ADDITION OF PROVISIONS AIMED AT FULFILLING CERTAIN LEGAL LOOPHOLES WITHIN THE LAND USE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

Notice of motion is given by Councillor Jean Dutil that By-law (614-2021) modifying By-law (607-2020) temporary control limiting cadastral operations in order to respect future orientations of the new urbanism plan to enact provisions pertaining to particular construction, modification or occupation projects for a property and the addition of provisions aimed at fulfilling certain legal loopholes within the land use planning and development regulations will be presented at a future council meeting.

Draft by-law (614-2021) modifying By-law (607-2020) temporary control limiting cadastral operations in order to respect future orientations of the new urbanism plan to enact provisions pertaining to particular construction, modification or occupation projects for a property and the addition of provisions aimed at fulfilling certain legal loopholes within the land use planning and development regulations will be presented at a future council meeting.

28.01.21 PRESENTATION – CONSULTATION REPORT – BY-LAW (606-2020) MODIFYING ZONING BY-LAW (416) IN ORDER TO TRANSFER LOT 3 738 239 INTO ZONE 7 AND CONSEQUENTLY MODIFY THE LIMITS OF ZONES 7 AND 5

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt of results of the electronic public consultation held in accordance to the Ministry of Health and Social services 2020-079 ministerial decree regarding by-law (606-2020) modifying Zoning By-law (416) in order to transfer lot 3 738 239 into zone 7 and consequently modify the limits of zones 7 and 5 ;

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29.01.21 PRESENTATION – CONSULTATION REPORT – BY-LAW (608-2020) MODIFYING ZONING BY-LAW (416) IN ORDER TO MOVE LOT 3 736 911 INTO ZONE 37 AND CONSEQUENTLY MODIFY THE LIMITS OF ZONES 37 AND 36

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt of results of the electronic public consultation held in accordance to the Ministry of Health and Social services 2020-079 ministerial decree regarding by-law (608-2020) modifying Zoning By-law (416) in order to move lot 3 736 911 into zone 37 and consequently modify the limits of zones 37 and 36;

30.01.21 PRESENTATION – CONSULTATION REPORT – BY-LAW (609-2020) MODIFYING ZONING BY-LAW (416) FOR THE ADDITION OF CERTAIN USES AND THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS GRID FOR ZONE 23

The Director general presents Council who acknowledge receipt of results of the electronic public consultation held in accordance to the Ministry of Health and Social services 2020-079 ministerial decree regarding by-law (609-2020) modifying Zoning By-law (416) for the addition of certain uses and the adjustment of the maximum height of buildings to the specifications grid for zone 23;

31.01.21 ADOPTION – SECOND DRAFT – BY-LAW (606-2020) MODIFYING ZONING BY-LAW (416) IN ORDER TO TRANSFER LOT 3 738 239 INTO ZONE 7 AND CONSEQUENTLY MODIFY THE LIMITS OF ZONES 7 AND 5

The Director general presents second draft by-law and gives a summary of the by-law and informs Council about the adoption procedure.

It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT second draft By-law (606-2020) modifying Zoning By-law (416) in order to transfer lot 3 738 239 into zone 7 and consequently modify the limits of zones 7 and 5 as follows:

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By-law 606 -2020 modifying Zoning By-law (416) in order to transfer lot 3 738 239 into zone 7 and consequently modify the limits of zones 7 and 5

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The present by-law aims at modifying Zoning by-law (416) in order to move lot 3 738 239 into zone 7 and consequently modify the limits of zones 7 and 5.

WHEREAS THAT the municipal council may, in accordance to the Act respecting land use planning and development (RLRQ. ch. A-19.1), require, allow and prohibit certain uses within certain specified zones throughout the Municipality of Morin-Heights' territory;

WHEREAS THAT Council must regularly update the urbanism plan to reflect Council's vision with regards to land use on its territory;

CONSIDERING the Municipality's 2020-2030 strategic vision statement;

WHEREAS THAT Council intends on allowing the continuance of the Domaine du Lac-Bouchette area development on an adjacent lot to a single family residential use zone;

CONSIDERING THAT Council considers it essential to adjust the boundaries of certain zones to meet the by-law's goal and objective;

WHEREAS THAT a notice of motion was given by Councillor Claude P. Lemire at the regular Council meeting of September 9th, 2020 and that a draft by-law was presented on September 9th, 2020;

WHEREAS THAT the first draft by-law was adopted at the meeting of October 14th, 2020 ;

WHEREAS THAT the second draft by-law was adopted at the meeting of January 20th, 2021;

CONSEQUENTLY, the municipal council decrees the following:

CHAPTER 1 : INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

1. ***Goal*** – The goal of the present by-law is to allow for the continuance of the single family residential development of the area on an adjacent lot in accordance to the Urbanism plan.

2. ***Objective*** – The provisions of the by-law must be interpreted in order to meet the goal stated in Article 1;

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CHAPTER 2 : AMENDING PROVISIONS

3. **Modification** – Zoning plan 03-AM-111-15 in Annex III « Zoning plan » of Zoning By-law (416) is modified as follows, as shown in Annex 1 of the present by-law:

« The limits of zone 7 are modified in order to include lot 3 738 239. »

Consequently, the limits of zone 5 are modified.

CHAPTER 3 : FINAL PROVISION

4. **Entering into effect** - The present by-law enters into effect in accordance to the Law.

Timothy Watchorn
Mayor

Hugo Lépine
Director general /
Secretary-treasurer

32.01.21 ADOPTION – SECOND DRAFT – BY-LAW (608-2020)
MODIFYING ZONING BY-LAW (416) IN ORDER TO MOVE
LOT 3 736 911 INTO ZONE 37 AND CONSEQUENTLY
MODIFY THE LIMITS OF ZONES 37 AND 36

The Director general presents second draft by-law and gives a summary of the by-law and informs Council about the adoption procedure.

It is proposed by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais
And unanimously resolved by all councillors:

TO ADOPT second draft By-law (608-2020) modifying Zoning By-law (416) in order to move lot 3 736 911 into zone 37 and consequently modify the limits of zones 37 and 36 as follows:

By-law 608-2020
modifying Zoning By-law (416) in order to move lot 3 736 911 into zone 37 and consequently modify the limits of zones 37 and 36

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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WHEREAS THAT the municipal council may, in accordance to the Act respecting land use planning and development (RLRQ. ch. A-19.1), require, allow and prohibit certain uses within certain zones throughout the Municipality of Morin-Heights' territory;

WHEREAS THAT Council must regularly update the urbanism plan to reflect Council's vision with regards to land use on its territory;

CONSIDERING the Municipality's 2020-2030 strategic vision statement;

WHEREAS THAT Council would like to enable the achievement of a seniors' residence project with services within the village core;

CONSIDERING the Municipality's family and seniors policy;

CONSIDERING THAT Council considers it essential to adjust the boundaries of certain zones to meet the by-law's goal and objective;

WHEREAS THAT a notice of motion was given by Councillor Jean-Pierre Dorais at the regular Council meeting of October 14th, 2020 and that a draft by-law was presented on October 14th, 2020;

WHEREAS THAT the first draft by-law was adopted at the meeting of November 11th, 2020;

WHEREAS THAT the second draft by-law was adopted at the meeting of January 20th, 2021;

CONSEQUENTLY, the municipal council decrees the following :

CHAPTER 1 : INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

1. ***Goal*** – The goal of the present by-law is to allow for the assisted living housing for seniors project to be carried out on an adjacent lot in accordance to the urbanism plan.

2. ***Objective*** – The provisions of the by-law must be interpreted in order to meet the goal stated in Article 1;

CHAPTER 2 : AMENDING PROVISIONS

1. ***Modification*** – Zoning plan 03-AM-111-15 in Annex III « Zoning plan » of Zoning By-law (416) is modified as follows as shown in Annex 1 of the present by-law:

« The limits of zone 37 are modified in order to include lot 3 736 911. »

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Consequently, the limits of zone 36 are modified. »

CHAPTER 3 : FINAL PROVISION

4. ***Entering into effect*** – The present by-law enters into effect in accordance to the Law.

Timothy Watchorn
Mayor

Hugo Lépine
Director general /
Secretary-treasurer

33.01.21 SECOND DRAFT – WITHDRAWAL – BY-LAW (609-2020)
MODIFYING ZONING BY-LAW (416) FOR THE ADDITION
OF CERTAIN USES AND THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE
MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS TO THE
SPECIFICATIONS GRID FOR ZONE 23

CONSIDERING the comments received during the public consultation and the presentation of by-law 614-2020 regarding particular projects;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette
And resolved by all councillors:

TO WITHDRAW draft by-law 609-2020;

34.01.21 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT IN URBANISM –
REVIEW OF THE URBANISM BY-LAWS

CONSIDERING THAT in January 2018, Council mandated a committee in order to proceed with the total revision of the urbanism by-laws;

WHEREAS THAT in January 2019, this committee has presented a report to Council;

WHEREAS THAT in caucus in the fall of 2020, Council discussed the reworking of the urbanism by-laws and plan;

CONSIDERING THAT Council voted and allocated the credits from the 2020 operating budget for a professional urbanism services contract in order for the Municipality to be accompanied in the accomplishment of the work;

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WHEREAS THAT Council, failed to have granted the contract in 2020, has renewed the credits for this purpose in 2021;

CONSIDERING By-law (571-2019) regarding contractual management;

CONSIDERING THAT the estimate of this forthcoming contract is less than \$ 50 000\$;

WHEREAS THAT the Purchasing policy (2018) stipulates that in the case of mutual agreement contracts, at least two prices must be solicited before the granting of a contract;

CONSIDERING THAT general management has received three (3) proposals for professional urbanism services contract, specifically:

- BC-2 inc. 45 000\$ plus taxes;
- L'Atelier urbain 44 500\$ plus taxes;
- Hélène Doyon urbaniste – conseil 36 250\$ plus taxes;

CONSIDERING the Director general and Director of the Urbanism and environment department's recommendations;

It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette

It is resolved:

THAT the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO GRANT the contract for professional urbanism services to Hélène Doyon, urbaniste – conseil, in order to shadow and support the Municipality in the reworking of the urbanism by-laws as stipulated in the offer of services presented by Mrs. Doyon for which a copy was given to council members for an amount of \$ 36,250, plus taxes conditional to the hours truly dedicated to the specified work;

TO AUTHORIZE the Director general and the Director, Urbanism and environment departments to sign any document to follow-up, for and in the Municipality's name;

35.01.21 MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Director presents Council, who acknowledge receipt of her monthly report from the Director, Recreation, culture and community life as well as the lists of authorized expenses during the month of December 2020 as per By-law (577-2019) regarding financial administration.

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36.01.21 GRANT REQUEST TO THE QUEBEC MINISTRY OF
EDUCATION WITHIN THE UPGRADING AND
IMPROVEMENT OF TRAILS AND OUTDOOR PRACTICE
ACTIVITY SITES SUPPORT PROGRAM (PSSPA)

CONSIDERING the parameters of the upgrading and improvement of trails and outdoor practice activity sites support program;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality has over 150 kilometers of various outdoor trails for a variety of activities;

CONSIDERING THAT the Municipality would like to offer an optimal experience to the outdoor network users;

It is proposed by Councillor Leigh MacLeod

It is resolved:

TO AUTHORIZE the presentation of the « Basler trail development » project to the Ministry of Education and higher education within the upgrade and improvement of trails and outdoor practice activity sites support program;

TO CONFIRM the Municipality's agreement to pay its share of the admissible costs for the project and to pay for the continuous development costs;

TO DESIGNATE the Director general, Hugo Lépine and the Director, Recreation, culture and community life, Mrs. Catherine Maillé as authorized representatives to act in its name and to sign all documents pertaining to the above-mentioned project;

37.01.21 GRANT REQUEST TO THE CANADA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE QUEBEC REGION –
WINTER TOURISM INITIATIVE – SUPPORT FOR TRAIL
MAINTENANCE

CONSIDERING the parameters of the winter tourism initiative – support for the maintenance of trails by Canada economic development;

WHEREAS THAT the Municipality has more than 150 kilometers of various outdoor trails for a variety of activities;

CONSIDERING THAT the Municipality would like to offer an optimal experience to the outdoor network users;

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It is proposed by Councillor Louise Cossette
It is resolved:

TO AUTHORIZE the presentation of a project to the Canada economic development Agency for the Quebec region within the winter tourism initiative support for trail maintenance program ;

TO CONFIRM the Municipality’s agreement to pay its share of the admissible costs for the project and to pay for the continuous development costs;

TO DESIGNATE the Director general, Hugo Lépine and the Director, Recreation, culture and community life, Mrs. Catherine Maillé as authorized representatives to act in its name and to sign all documents pertaining to the above-mentioned project;

**38.01.21 HIRING OF ADDITIONAL SEASONAL AND TEMPORARY
EMPLOYEES FOR THE 2020-2021 WINTER SEASON**

WHEREAS the Municipality’s 2020 budget ;

WHEREAS the hiring of additional patrollers-attendants is necessary for the cross-country ski and recreational trails ;

WHEREAS the recommendation from the Director of the Recreation, culture and community life department and the director general;

CONSIDERING the Remuneration policy for employees of the Recreation, culture and community life department;

It is proposed by Councillor Peter MacLaurin
It is resolved:

That the preamble form an integral part hereof;

TO PROCEED with the hiring of following persons as attendants, patrollers-trackers and skating rink attendants for the 2020-2021 season as per the terms of the Remuneration for attendants at the Recreation, parks and outdoor network department Policy;

Attendants-patrollers	Skating rink attendants
Jacob Labelle	Daniel Bibeau
Vincent Dumontier	Diane Daigle
Mathilde Labonté	

WHEREAS THAT the population in the Laurentians has doubled in fourteen years totalling over 630,850 people in 2020 and an increase of at least 6,3 % of the population is foreseen by 2026, without counting the seasonal residents which numbers have increased over the last year;

WHEREAS the results of the study by the firm Dameco confirms the inadequacy between the population of the Laurentians region's needs for services and the services being offered, particularly regarding health and social services;

WHEREAS THAT the Laurentians region represents 7,4 % of the Quebec population but the Ministry of Health and social services' budget section reserved for the region only totals 4,9 %. This gap of many millions of dollars is indicative to the interregional imbalance and inequity;

WHEREAS THAT failure to have adequate clinic and hospital infrastructures, millions of patients in the Laurentians must regularly travel to hospitals in Laval and Montreal in order to receive services, contributing to the congestion to the metropolitan roads infrastructure;

WHEREAS THAT over the last few years, hospital renovations have not been able to meet the increase in the volume of required medical activities;

WHEREAS THAT in 2018, the Auditor general of Quebec, with regards to the Saint-Jérôme Regional Hospital (HRSJ), flagship for the hospital organization for the region, mentioned that the infrastructure is obsolete and that the situation is worsening;

WHEREAS THAT many players within the hospital and political worlds, question the progression of the necessary restructuring projects and are surprised that after over two years after the first announcement for the HRSJ modernization, in August 2018, there has been slow progress;

WHEREAS THAT many regional partners have noticed a major change within the CISSS deadline which has set back the HRSJ project to 2029-2030, if there are no other delays;

WHEREAS THAT three regional hospitals within the region (Mont-Laurier, Saint-Eustache and Saint-Jérôme) will be modernized in the second half of the 2020 decade and that there are no plans for the three other hospitals within the region (Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts, Lachute and Rivière-Rouge) ;

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WHEREAS THAT the Prime Minister of Quebec, in various declarations, in which one dates back to July 2020, supports that the Laurentians' population must be able to count on adequate health care services and a consolidation with the HRSJ;

WHEREAS THAT, Christian Dubé, Minister of Health and social services, declared that pursuant to a report by Radio-Canada on November 23rd, 2020, he agreed to look into expediting the work to modernize the HRSJ;

WHEREAS THAT it is vital to establish a cohesive vision of the health care system in the Laurentians to modernize its network and immediately stop that the CISSS des Laurentides spreads itself thin;

WHEREAS THAT at its meeting of November 27th, 2020, the CPÉRL unanimously adopted resolution (number CPÉRL-06-03) the plan to set-up a Laurentians Health Coalition, whose objective is to highlight the urgent need to modernize the hospital infrastructures in the region which have become obsolete and to increase financing allowing for the improvement in the quality and security of care for which the Laurentians population have the right to receive;

WHEREAS THAT the Laurentians Health Coalition will be comprised of various elected partners from the medical, hospital, business and community organizations which will support the request to consolidate and modernize the Laurentians hospitals and the HRSJ;

It is unanimously resolved :

TO officially JOIN the Laurentians Health Coalition;

TO SUPPORT the Laurentians Health Coalition and its demands by adding the voice of the Municipality of Morin-Heights to the CPÉRL and its partners of the Laurentians in order to demand the catching up and speeding up of the modernization work for the six hospitals within the Laurentians and the respect of the deadline for the extension and the modernization of the HRSJ;

TO REQUIRE from the Quebec Government, an inter-regional equity and the end of the sub-financing of the health and social services in order to build the future of an accessible and efficient health network for the entire population de la population.

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QUESTION PERIOD

Council answers questions posed by the public via videoconference as well as one written question.

40.01.21 END OF THE MEETING

The agenda having been completed, It is proposed by Councillor Claude P. Lemire that the meeting end at 21:22.

*I have approved each and every
resolution in these minutes*

Timothy Watchorn
Mayor

Hugo Lépine
Director general /
Secretary-treasurer