

MINUTES

Minutes of the Village de Memramcook's Municipal Council Regular Meeting, held on Tuesday, March 21st, 2023, at 7 p.m., at the Memramcook Golden Age Club (*Berceau*).

Present: Maxime O. Bourgeois - Mayor
Mariane Cullen - Councillor/Deputy Mayor
Marc Boudreau - Councillor
Brian Cormier - Councillor
Carole Duguay - Councillor
Normand Dupuis - Councillor
Yanic Vautour - Councillor
Gilles Belleau - Chief Administrative Officer
Monique Bourque - Clerk
Caroline LeBlanc - Director of Finance
Daniel Chiasson - Director of Public Works
Maryse LeBlanc - Program and Recreation Director
Philippe Vachon - Golf Course and Arena Manager
Gérald Boudreau - Fire Chief

Absent: None

- 1. Call to Order**
Mayor Maxime O. Bourgeois calls the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Acknowledgement of Unceded Traditional Territory**
The Mayor recognizes the unceded traditional territory.
- 3. Confirmation of Quorum by the Clerk**
The Clerk confirms that a quorum has been established.
- 4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**
No conflict is declared.
- 5. Adoption of the Agenda**
Moved by Marc Boudreau
Seconded by Carole Duguay
That the agenda be adopted as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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6. Presentations, Request and Petitions

None.

7. Adoption of Minutes**a) Adoption of Minutes of the February 21st, 2023 Regular Meeting**

Moved by Yanic Vautour

Seconded by Normand Dupuis

That the minutes and motions contained in the minutes of the Regular Meeting, held on February 21st, 2023, at 7 p.m., at the Memramcook Golden Age Club (*Bervean*), be approved as circulated. **Motion carried unanimously.**

8. Follow-up on Minutes**a) Items Arising from Minutes of the February 21st, 2023 Regular Meeting**

None.

9. Mayor's Report and Information Requests

The Mayor presents his report.

10. Councillors' Reports and Information Requests**a) Marc Boudreau**

Councillor Boudreau presents his report.

b) Brian Cormier

Councillor Cormier presents his report.

c) Mariane Cullen

Councillor Cullen presents her report.

d) Carole Duguay

Councillor Duguay presents her report.

e) Normand Dupuis

Councillor Dupuis presents his report.

f) Yanic Vautour

Councillor Vautour presents his report.

11. General Management's Reports**Director of Finance**

The Director of Finance presents her report.

Fire Chief Gérald Boudreau presents the Fire Department's Emergency Report for the month of February 2023.

Clerk

The Clerk presents her report.

Chief Administrative Officer

The Chief Administrative Officer presents his report.

12. **By-Laws, Procedures, Guidelines and Administrative Tools**a) ***Jeux de l'Acadie 2023 – Chefs de mission Meeting***

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Moved by Yanic Vautour**Seconded by Normand Dupuis**

That Council accepts that the amount of \$700 be disbursed to pay for two healthy snacks and the social evening to be held during the *Chefs de mission* weekend meeting for the *42^e Finale des Jeux de l'Acadie*.

Motion carried unanimously.b) **Changes to the 911 Dispatch System**

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Moved by Mariane Cullen**Seconded by Yanic Vautour**

WHEREAS Council has serious concerns regarding the recent changes to the 911 dispatch system;

WHEREAS Council wishes to express its dissatisfaction regarding these changes;

WHEREAS the Memramcook Fire Department is trained and equipped to respond to medical emergencies and has been doing so for 33 years;

WHEREAS the Village de Memramcook does not have an ambulance service within the municipality;

WHEREAS the Village de Memramcook is in a rural and remote area from existing ambulance services;

WHEREAS Ambulance NB's response time for our municipality often exceeds provincial standards and that even the prescribed 22-minute response time is long during an emergency;

WHEREAS the Village de Memramcook is concerned that its territory does not have full cellular reception and believes the radio system remains the best option;

WHEREAS Council is concerned for the safety and well-being of its residents if this situation is not addressed in a timely manner;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Municipal Council urges the responsible authorities to immediately correct this critical situation endangering the safety of residents and that the Memramcook Fire Department be again called for medical calls on its territory, as it was before;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to make a formal request to Ambulance NB for an ambulance in Memramcook.

Motion carried unanimously.

- P23 – 03 – 039 c) **Community Center – Next Step**
Moved by Marc Boudreau
Seconded by Brian Cormier
That Council mandates the administration to initiate the process with a consultant to develop a plan for a community center.
Motion carried unanimously.
- P23 – 03 – 040 d) **Golf Membership for the Chief Administrative Officer**
Moved by Brian Cormier
Seconded by Marc Boudreau
That Council accepts that a golf membership and a driving range membership be offered for free to the Chief Administrative Officer for the 2023 and 2024 golf seasons. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- P23 – 03 – 041 13. **Adjournment**
Moved by Marc Boudreau
Seconded by Yanic Vautour
That Council agrees to adjourn the meeting and the meeting is adjourned at 8:11 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**



Maxime O. Bourgeois
Mayor



Monique Bourque
Clerk

Question Period

Several members of the audience ask questions and share comments.

The question period ends at 8:28 p.m.