

**CANADA  
PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC  
MUNICIPALITY OF LOW**

**MINUTES** of the special meeting of members of the Council of the Municipality of Low, held this Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall, 4A d'Amour Rd., Low, Quebec, J0X 2C0 and presided over by Mayor Morris O'Connor.

Those present are: Councillors Lynn Visentin, Amanda St. Jean, Joanne Mayer, Michèle Logue-Wakeling, Christopher Brownrigg and Charles Kealey.

The Director General/Secretary-Treasurer Franceska Gnarowski is also present.

**1) OPENING**

Quorum is established and the meeting is officially opened by his Worship the Mayor, Morris O'Connor who declares that the notice of the meeting has been given in conformity with the Municipal Code to the members of council.

**2) AGENDA**

The agenda is adopted as presented in the notice of a special meeting.

**3) HEALTH CLINIC**

**WHEREAS** a request by a non-resident to consider adopting a resolution asking for the establishment of a full service health clinic in the municipality of Low;

**WHEREAS** council has decided it does not have enough information to proceed;

**WHEREAS** issues concerning the local CLSC are more pressing;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the resolution requesting the establishment of a full service health clinic be postponed to a subsequent meeting of council.

**MOVED BY** Councillor Michèle Logue-Wakeling

**SECONDED BY** Councillor Lynn Visentin

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4) CLSC**

**WHEREAS** the recent elimination of the position of receptionist as well as the cuts to the hours for the nurse;

**WHEREAS** the CLSC offers essential services to the residents of the southern portion of the MRCVG;

**WHEREAS** there is a link between the CLSC, the school administrators and the students enrolled at St-Michael's;

**WHEREAS** services in close proximity are essential in a community with an aging population;

**WHEREAS** the CLSC offers quality employment opportunities in the region;

**WHEREAS** the CLSC a significant asset in a region that is actively pursuing economic development;

**WHEREAS** the CLSC services people in Low, Kazabazua, Lac Ste-Marie and Denholm;

**WHEREAS** more than 40,000 people are still on waiting lists for a doctor on the Outaouais;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that council formally requests that the authorities responsible for the CLSC maintain a full complement of services; that they reinstate the position of receptionist and the hours dedicated to a nurse being present and that they engage in actively seeking to address the shortage of doctors on the Outaouais.

**MOVED BY** Councillor Michèle Logue-Wakeling

**SECONDED BY** Councillor Amanda St-Jean

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5) CANADA POST**

**WHEREAS** Canada Post has decided to close the counter at Venosta;

**WHEREAS** the significant distances residents now have to drive to receive full service;

#124-08-2015

#125-08-2015

**WHEREAS** Canada Post offers good employment opportunity in the municipality;

**WHEREAS** the negative effect closing the post office has on economic development;

**#126-08-2015**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that council request of Canada Post that the reinstate the same level of services; that they restart their search for a suitable employee and that the counter be re-established in Low if need be.

**MOVED BY** Councillor Amanda St-Jean

**SECONDED BY** Councillor Joanne Mayer

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4) ADJOURNMENT**

**#127-08-2015**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:15PM.

**MOVED BY** Councillor Charles Kealey

**SECONDED BY** Councillor Michèle Logue-Wakeling

**ADOPTED**

*Morris O'Connor*  
**Mayor**

*Franceska Gnarowski*  
**Director General/Secretary-Treasurer**