



CITY OF BATHURST
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES

June 16, 2025
6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers - City Hall

Recording of Attendance

Mayor K. Chamberlain
Councillor P. Anderson
Councillor D. Branch
Councillor S. Brunet
Councillor R. Hondas
Deputy Mayor D. Knowles
Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc
Councillor S. Legacy
Councillor M. Skerry
Councillor M. Willett

Appointed Officials

T. Pettigrew, CAO
A. Parker, City Clerk
L. Foulem, Corporate Communications Manager
C. Legacy, Director of Economic Development
D. McLaughlin, Development Officer
C. Roy, Executive Administrator
R. Wilbur, Director of Parks, Recreation and Tourism
D. Hamel, Assistant Deputy Fire Chief
A. MacLaggan, Director of Engineering

1. MOMENT OF REFLECTION / TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented with the removal of item 6.1. NB Power Smart Readers by Christina Scheider.

MOTION CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Public Meeting Held on June 2, 2025

Moved by Councillor M. Skerry

Seconded by Councillor R. Hondas

THAT the minutes of the Regular Public Meeting dated June 2, 2025, be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

5. CONSENT AGENDA

None

6. PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

6.1 NB Power Smart Readers by Christina Schneider

Item removed from the agenda.

7. FINANCE

7.1 Accounts Payable Totals for May 2025

Moved by Councillor S. Brunet

Seconded by Councillor M. Willett

THAT the accounts payable totals, including payroll, for the month of May 2025, be approved as follows:

Operating - \$3,071,506

Capital - \$596,790

Total - \$5,502,914

MOTION CARRIED

8. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

8.1 Dangerous or Unsightly Premises By-Law

8.1.1 First Reading By-Law 2019-05

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor M. Willett

THAT the proposed By-Law 2019-05 entitled “Dangerous or Unsightly Premises By-Law” shall be read 3 times by title as per requirements specified in the *Local Governance Act*, section 15(3); and

THAT the above-mentioned proposed By-Law may be examined by contacting the City Clerk during regular office hours; and

THAT the above-mentioned proposed By-Law shall be posted to the City of Bathurst Website and Facebook page, as per the *Local Governance Act*, section 70(1) c; and

THAT the purpose of the proposed By-Law is to establish rules and regulations to address properties that are dangerous, neglected, or unsightly, thereby ensuring public safety, promoting community aesthetics, protecting property values, and upholding environmental standards throughout the City of Bathurst, including all areas annexed to the City as part of recent restructuring;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed By-Law 2019-05 entitled "Dangerous or Unsightly Premises By-Law" be read for the first time, by title.

MOTION CARRIED

8.1.2 Second Reading By-Law 2019-05

Moved by Councillor S. Legacy

Seconded by Deputy Mayor D. Knowles

THAT By-Law 2019-05, entitled "Dangerous or Unsightly Premises By-Law" be read for the second time (by title).

MOTION CARRIED

8.2 A By-Law Respecting the Remuneration of Mayor and Councillors of the City of Bathurst

8.2.1 First Reading of By-Law 2025-06

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas

Seconded by Councillor S. Legacy

THAT the proposed By-Law 2025-06 entitled "A By-Law Respecting the Remuneration of Mayor and Councillors of the City of Bathurst" shall be read 3 times by title as per requirements specified in the *Local Governance Act*, section 15(3); and

THAT the above-mentioned proposed By-Law may be examined by contacting the City Clerk during regular office hours; and

THAT the above-mentioned proposed By-Law shall be posted to the City of Bathurst Website and Facebook page, as per the *Local Governance Act*, section 70(1) c; and

THAT the purpose of the proposed By-Law is to establish the annual remuneration of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Councillors of the City of Bathurst, to provide for annual adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index, and to set a schedule for regular salary reviews;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed By-Law 2025-06 entitled "A By-Law Respecting the Remuneration of Mayor and Councillors of the City of Bathurst" be read for the first time, by title.

Seven (7) - Yay: Councillors Willett, Brunet, Leblanc, Hondas, Knowles, Legacy and Skerry

Two (2) - Nay: Councillors Anderson and Branch

MOTION CARRIED

9. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

9.1 License Agreement - Fred Pitre Memorial Skate Park

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc

THAT Council members approve the license agreement between the Evangel Pentecostal Church and the City of Bathurst and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign all related documents on behalf of the City.

MOTION CARRIED

9.2 P003-25 5 Ton Soil Roller

Moved by Councillor M. Skerry

Seconded by Councillor R. Hondas

THAT proposal P003-25, 5 Ton Soil Roller, be awarded to Atlantic Coastal Equipment for a total of \$109,995.00 plus tax.

MOTION CARRIED

9.3 P001-25 Wildland Fire Truck

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas

Seconded by Councillor M. Skerry

THAT proposal P001-25 Wildland Fire Truck be awarded to Techno Feu of Saint-Francois-du-Lac, Quebec for a total of \$246,628.12 plus tax.

MOTION CARRIED

9.4 2025 Grants Distribution

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor M. Willett

THAT the grant distribution be approved as follows as discussed by during the Committee of the Whole meeting held June 9, 2025:

Association	Proposed Amount
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Jeux de l'Acadie	\$1,000
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Chaleur ATV Club	\$500
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Six (6) - Yay: Councillors Willett, Brunet, Leblanc, Knowles, Legacy and Skerry

Trois (3) - Nay: Councillors Hondas, Anderson and Branch

MOTION CARRIED

9.5 P2025-07 Community Support Policy

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor P. Anderson

WHEREAS Bathurst City Council recognizes the importance of supporting organizations that enhance the social, cultural, tourist, and educational aspects of the community; and

WHEREAS the City of Bathurst receives numerous requests for financial support each year from a variety of organizations and community groups; and

WHEREAS it is essential that all funding decisions be made in a consistent, transparent, and equitable manner that aligns with Council's strategic priorities; and

WHEREAS the Community Support Policy clearly outlines the eligibility criteria, application process, and reporting requirements for the three funding streams: Grants, Donations, and Sponsorships;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that members of Council approve Policy P2025-07 Community Support Policy, as attached hereto, and that Policy 1989-17 Grants to Specified Organizations, Committees, Commissions, Youth Sports Groups and Community Events Groups hereby be repealed.

MOTION CARRIED

9.6 Items Discussed In-Camera

9.6.1 Easement

Moved by Councillor D. Branch

Seconded by Councillor S. Legacy

THAT members of council approve the easement document with Népisiguit River Company Inc. and Robert Basque Enterprises Inc. to permit a continuous access between the southern sideline of St Anne Street and the northern boundary of PID 20732913 over the properties located at PIDs 20802583 and 20759379, as discussed in-camera on June 9, 2025, pursuant to section 68 of the *Local Governance Act* and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign all related documents on behalf of the City.

Eight (8) - Yay: Councillors Anderson, Brunet, Leblanc, Branch, Hondas, Knowles, Legacy and Skerry

One (1) - Nay: Councillor Willett

MOTION CARRIED

10. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 Reports from Administration

10.2 Reports from Committees

10.3 Report from the Mayor

Hospitality Days is coming up in the month of July. Tickets and swags are on sale at the Old Post Office and Ticket Boutik.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor R. Hondas

Seconded by Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc

THAT the Regular Public Meeting be adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Kim Chamberlain / MAYOR

Amy-Lynn Parker / CITY CLERK