(Unofficial version) **DATE: May 13, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Clarendon Municipal Council was held on the above night, at the council hall located at C427 route 148 in Clarendon. Present were Mayor Edward Walsh, Cr. Dagg, Cr. Elliott, Cr. Smith, Cr. Hanna & Cr. Younge. Also attending the meeting was Clerk Treasurer Patricia Hobbs. Cr. Holmes motivated his absence.

1. OPENING THE MEETING

Conflict of Interest Statement:

A conflict of interest occurs when elected officers are placed in a situation of having to choose between their personal interests, or those of their entourage, and the public interest. The conflict of interest sections of the Act respecting municipal elections and referendums are designed to ensure that the decisionmaking process on a municipal council is not tainted by personal consideration

Mayor Ed Walsh opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Public Participation:

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

062-05-2025 Proposed by Cr. Hanna

Seconded by: Cr Younge

And unanimously resolved to adopt the agenda of May 13, 2025

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF April 22, 2025

063-05-2025 Proposed by: Cr. Elliott Seconded by: Cr. Smith

And is resolved to adopt the minutes of the meeting of April 22, 2025

Carried

4. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Edward Walsh gave a report on the most recent MRC meetings. The recycling tender for all municipalities was posted on May 8th and will be available for 30 days.

5. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

5.1 Innergex

1. RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN AN OPTION AGREEMENT WITH INNERGEX RENEWABLE ENERGY INC.

WHEREAS Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. is a private electricity producer whose primary mission is to design, build, finance, and operate electricity production and storage facilities using renewable energy sources, including solar power; WHEREAS the Municipality of Clarendon wishes to make a positive contribution by supporting the development and use of renewable energy; WHEREAS the Municipality of Clarendon is the owner of lot number 5 639 406 which is currently available and suitable for the activities proposed by Innergex;

064-05-2025 On a motion by ___Cr. Younge

Seconded by: Cr. Dagg

IT IS RESOLVED

- 1. TO GRANT Innergex an option to lease lot number 5 639 406 for potential future use for the development, construction, and operation of a solar farm or a battery energy storage system, under negotiated terms;
- TO AUTHORIZE the General Manager or, in their absence, the Assistant General Manager, to sign on behalf of the Municipality the said agreement with Innergex Renewable Energy Inc., as well as any other relevant documents; recognizing that this is a non binding agreement (clause #)

A vote was taken. Four(4), One (1) Against

The motion carried

5.2 Request for Road Closure

A request was received for a road closure on Radford Road for June 20th from noon to 6:00 p.m. for a pre grad gathering

065-05-2025 Moved by: Cr. Hanna

Seconded by: Smith

To allow this road closure with proper signage.

Carried

5.3 Letter from Resident

A letter was received regarding cold patch of various road. The Cold Patch has been received and will be put on the roads as soon as time allows.

5.4 Letter from Resident regarding sweeping

Tabled & Discussed

5.5 Summer Events Calendar for Sand Bay

Tabled & Discussed

6. FINANCIAL REPORT &/OR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts Payable in the amount of \$ 297,946.91 were presented

AUTHORITY OF PAYMENT OF THE LIST OF BILLS

Certificate of availability of credits

I, the undersigned, Patricia Hobbs, Director General of the Municipality of Clarendon certify that there are sufficient credits available to carry out the expenditure mentioned above

In witness whereof, this certificate is given in Clarendon this day of May 13,2025

Patricia Hobbs – Clerk Treasurer

066-05-2025

Proposed by Cr Smith

Seconded by: Cr. Younge

And is resolved to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 297,946.91

7. COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND REPORTS

7.1 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

7.2 LUP COMMITTEE

7.3 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

7.3.1 Quote for Paving

A quote was received for paving repair in the municipal parking lot in the amount of \$ 862.31.

067-05-2025 Moved by: Cr. Smith

Seconded by: Cr. Hanna

And unanimously agreed to accept the quote from Jason Hynes Paving. Carried

7.3.2 Grass Cutting – Two invitations will be sent

7.3.3 Quotes for Culverts

Two quotes were received for ten (10) culverts which are needed in various areas of the municipality.

\$ 39,786.00 plus taxes W.A. Hodgins

3403092 Canada Inc \$ 35,203.23

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Moved by: Cr. Smith Seconded by; Cr. Dagg

And unanimously agreed to accept the lower bid from 3403092 Canada Inc Carried

7.4 LIBRARY COMMITTEE

7.5 FINANCE COMMITTEE

7.6 FIRE COMMITTEE

7.6.1 Thorne Agreement

069-05-2025 Moved by: Cr. Smith

Seconded by; Cr. Dagg

And unanimously agreed to accept the draft offer of service for the Municipality of Thorne as recommended by the Fire Commisssion. The agreement will be sent to the Municipality of Thorne for approval. Carried

7.6.2 Shawville/Clarendon Fire Agreement

The agreement between the Municipality of Shawville and the Municipality of Clarendon is up for renewal. The members of the Fire Commission presented the Agreement.

070-05-2025 Moved by: Cr. Smith

Seconded by: Cr. Younge

And unanimously agreed to add the following wording to the agreement..

Terms of Agreement

The following terms of agreement will dictate the rules of engagement between the Municipality of Shawville and the Municipality of Clarendon for the purpose of the Shawville/Clarendon fire dept. These rules will govern the relationship between the two municipalities, the management of the Fire Dept, and the roles and responsibilities of all parties.

- Neither municipality has the right to speak unilaterally or independently on matters concerning the SCFD
- Neither municipality may make any financial agreements or promises of services without joint consent.
- Neither municipality may share information with external sources without the agreement of both parties
- Neither municipality may engage in malicious intent during communication with or about the SCFD members
- Neither municipality shall share documents or any written correspondence with external parties without permission from both municipalities.
- Neither municipality may engage in any conversations or agreements concerning infrastructure, equipment or manpower without previous agreement by both parties.

The amended document will be sent to the Fire Commission for recommendation.

Carried

7.6.3 Internal Rules for Fire Commission

A document entitled "Internal Rules for Fire Commission" was presented by members of the Fire Commission

071-05-2025 Moved by: Cr. Smith

Seconded by: Cr. Hanna

And unanimously agreed to accept the document

Carried

7.7 WASTE COMMITTEE

7.7.1 Request from McGrimmon Cartage

A request was received from McGrimmon Cartage for financial assistance to hire another employee for the Transfer Station

072-05-2025 Moved by: Cr. Smith

Seconded by: Cr. Younge

And unanimously agreed to offer to increase the monthly administration fee to \$5,000 per month to help in this cost.

Carried

7.8 COTTAGE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

7.9 - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COMMITTEE

8. Miscellaneous and Discussion

8.1 - Discussion with MAMH - Tabled & Discussed

8.2 Resolution for Land Tax Sale

The secretary-treasurer submitted to the Council, for review and consideration a statement of property taxes owed to the municipality as of September 11, 2025, *in* order to satisfy the requirements of section 1022 of the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec;

073-05-2025

Moved by Cr. Elliott Seconded by: Cr. Younge

THAT

The said statement be and is approved by Council and that the Secretary-Treasurer, Chief Administrative Officer take the necessary steps to have the Regional County Municipality (RCM) of Pontiac sell all municipal properties for which property taxes have not been paid since 2023 and before.

Adopted.

9.	ADJOU	RNMENT

074-05-2025	Motion by Cr. Younge	to adjourn the meeting	g of May 1	13, 2025 at	9:10 P.M.

Mayor Edward Walsh	Clerk Treasurer – Patricia Hobbs