

Pontiac Council - ice rink contracts awarded

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The monthly council meeting was held on 12 December 2023 at the Luskville community centre. Councillor Lacasse was absent.

Administration

Reports on three road improvement projects in 2023 were approved in order to receive grants from the Québec local roads assistance program (PAVL) for a total of \$180,000.

The municipality's agreed contribution for 2024 to TransCollines' transport service on route 148 is \$81,330 and MRC Pontiac's is \$162,660. This leaves \$357,733 to be paid by various Ministry of Transport grants for public transport, while user revenue is estimated at \$24,800. A program of work to receive a contribution from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (TECQ/gas tax) was approved.

Four employees who didn't use their paid days off in 2023, will be paid a total of \$14,876 in lieu.

Garage Trudeau Collision will be paid \$1,872 compensation for boxes of car parts mistakenly picked up by the recycling crew.

Expenses of \$64,300 for December were accepted.

An agreement to set up a specialized rescue team with the City of Ottawa and the MRC des Collines is approved.

The Federation of Québec Municipalities (FQM) will provide engineering and planning expertise where required by the municipality.

Public works

Two offers were received for a Public works pick-up truck. Automobile Carrera's offer for \$46,995 plus tax was accepted.

Three contracts are awarded to Michel Duval for maintaining ice rinks at Quyon Park (\$11,612, which includes a small secondary rink for young children), Luskville Park (\$9,313) and Davis Park in Breckenridge (\$9,313). Two tenders were received for each rink, and these were the lowest.

The FQM will carry out a survey for repair of ch Thérien for \$29,700 plus tax.

Planning

Bylaw 11-23 was passed to allow special projects (PPCMOI) to be approved, even if they don't comply with planning bylaws. See the municipal website for text of bylaw.

The offer to buy the lot next to 1025 ch du Saphir to install a septic system was accepted.

Lots at 21 and 39 ch Bergeron were removed from the sell list, and residents reminded that offers for "flood properties" must be from adjacent lot owners.

Recreation and culture.

Library late fees are abolished following the lead of over 500 public libraries in Québec, however damaged or lost books must be replaced.

The municipality donates \$1000 to Centraide for assistance to citizens and support of community organizations.

Two contracts with Conception Plein-Air (David Massé) for development plans for Quyon and Luskville Parks are cancelled.