

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2007, AT 5801 CAVENDISH BOULEVARD, CÔTE
SAINT-LUC, AT 8:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Mayor Anthony Housefather, B.C.L., L.L.B, M.B.A. presiding
Councillor Dida Berku, B.C.L.
Councillor Mitchell Brownstein, B. Comm., B.C.L., L.L.B.
Councillor Mike Cohen, B.A.
Councillor Steven Erdelyi, B.Sc., B.Ed.
Councillor Sam Goldbloom, B.A.
Councillor Ruth Kovac, B.A.
Councillor Allan J. Levine, B.Sc., M.A., DPLI
Councillor Glenn J. Nashen

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Ken Lerner, City Manager
Mr. Jonathan Shecter, Director of Legal Services and City Clerk,
acted as Secretary of the meeting

QUESTION PERIOD

The question period started at 8:00 p.m. and finished at 9:25 p.m. Twelve (12) people asked to speak and they were heard.

1) Alex Davis

The resident sought particulars regarding the City's tree-planting program to which Councillor Berku responded that someone from the City can get back to him tomorrow.

2) Avrum Shtern

The resident inquired as to what snow removal the Agglomeration actually does to which Mayor Housefather responded that the areas were never specified to him but that it was possible, the snow-clearing occurred, for example, at parks within their purview.

The resident then inquired as to whether Council would adopt a resolution regarding the Kyoto Protocol to which Mayor Housefather responded that, in his view, a resolution was not as expedient as the municipality demonstrating through its present actions which actually protect and safeguard the environment.

The resident inquired as to whether the City has a composting program to which Mayor Housefather responded that the City is looking into implementing a pilot project.

The resident then tabled certain documents to the City Clerk to be distributed to all members of Council.

3) Carole Amar

The resident complained that the cost for Long-Term overnight parking permits is too prohibitive.

Mayor Housefather explained to the resident that he has already clearly detailed council's justification for the monthly fee, but would explain it to this resident once again. He then stated that, prior to the mergers, the monthly fee was \$50 and this council reduced it to \$35, that the goal of this fee was to deter car owners from parking on the street overnight and not, contrary to certain opinions, garner additional revenue. He further explained that City streets can be cleaned and snow-cleared easier and are far safer when fewer cars are parked overnight. He then explained, that he, along with his colleagues on council, when campaigning, heard, on countless occasions, that residents wanted fewer cars park on-street overnight. Finally, he explained, that the City consulted and widely publicized its intention to have Long-Term Overnight parking permits be awarded at a monthly fee of \$35 and that many (neighbouring) municipalities and boroughs don't even allow on-street overnight parking under any circumstances.

4) Lilliane Abitbol

The resident inquired as to why there were increases to the costs of the City's Notices of Infraction for overnight parking to which Mayor Housefather responded that the City could look into it.

The resident then complained regarding the prohibitive costs of Long-Term Overnight Parking Permits to which Mayor Housefather reiterated, once again, the reasoning for his colleagues on council's (majority) decision.

Mayor Housefather then explained, in order to allay certain concerns as to costs of overnight parking but so as not to allow more on-street parking overnight, the City is looking into alternative arrangements such as allowing residents to park in municipal parking lots at a cheaper price.

5) Mizi Catarivas

The resident advised members of council that she cannot afford to pay for a monthly Long-Term Overnight Parking Permit and her Landlord hasn't given her space to park to which Mayor Housefather responded that according to the terms of her lease it is possible that her Landlord must give her a parking spot but that she should leave her name and phone number with the City Clerk and someone from the City will get back to her to see, what, if anything, the City can do.

6) Bill Sachlas

The resident opined that alternative arrangements such as parking in municipal parking lots such as Decarie Square was not expedient for him and then opined that the costs for Long-Term Overnight Parking Permits were too prohibitive to which Mayor Housefather, once again, explained council's rationale for their majority decision.

7) Syd Knecht

The resident complained that the costs of the Long-Term Overnight Parking Permits were too prohibitive to which, Mayor Housefather, once again, explained the rationale for Council's majority decision.

8) Steve Maitlin

The resident then inquired as to whether this council was planning on lowering its fees for Long-Term Overnight Parking Permits to which Mayor Housefather responded that by lowering fees, council would be acting counter to their (majority) intention which was to detract on-street overnight parking. He then stated, once

again, that Council's goal was not to gorge fees but rather to discourage people from parking overnight.

9) Robert Gordon

The resident opined that should the Cavendish Mall plan to demolish its Southern Part, the auto-repair shop currently there should be included in their reconstruction plans as it has rendered an excellent service to Côte Saint-Luc residents for many years and seniors, especially, count on them. Mayor Housefather then responded that the City cannot compel the mall to maintain the repair shop but will nonetheless convey this resident's comments to them.

10) Jitendra Gandhi

The resident explained to the Council that he is the owner of the repair shop to which the previous questioner referred and as a *concerned corporate citizen* and as a company who has been servicing the citizens for over 30 years, he has gained their trust and respect. He then opined that Côte Saint-Luc's citizens require an auto center within Côte Saint-Luc to which Mayor Housefather reiterated that council will share this questioner's comments with the owners of the Cavendish Mall.

11) Irving Itman

The resident wished to compliment David Tordjman, the Director of Public Works, for his staff's proper repositioning of resident's garbage receptacles subsequent to removing their garbage.

The resident then inquired as to what the status was regarding the City's request that the EMS service survive post December 31, 2008 to which Mayor Housefather responded that last Monday, Council met with its local National Assembly Member, Mr. Lawrence Bergman and requested that he exert pressure on his government to amend the (Agglomeration) Decree, prior to the next Provincial election, to ensure that the Paragraph¹ indicating that EMS is a Côte Saint-Luc responsibility only until December 31, 2008 be struck so that it remains, without a limit date, a Côte Saint-Luc responsibility. He further explained that the City is now going to start a campaign by requesting that residents call Minister Bergman's office at 514-488-7028 and e-mail him so that they too can exert pressure.

The resident then inquired as to the status of the Cavendish Extension to which Mayor Housefather responded that there are certain decisions pending at the City of Montreal's Executive Committee for which everyone is waiting on.

The resident then inquired regarding the outcome of a meeting with representatives of the Mayors of the reconstituted municipalities and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and of the Regions to which Mayor Housefather responded that subsequent to this meeting, it was decided that further follow up is necessary with Premier Charest's office so that the National Assembly can amend current legislation to fix the undemocratic and unaccountable Agglomeration Council.

12) Michael Belaruski

The resident explained that the fees for the Long-Term Overnight Parking permits are too prohibitive and that his sector of the City requires particular attention since it once formed part of the City of Montreal² to which Mayor Housefather responded that the City will look into what it can do regarding that area.

¹ In article 69 of said decree.

² Which allowed steeper driveway slopes and which allowed on-street parking overnight.

070201

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
COUNCIL DATED JANUARY 15, 2007**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated
January 15, 2007 be and are hereby approved as submitted.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070202

MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY, 2007

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the monthly departmental reports for January, 2007 be and are
hereby approved as submitted.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070203

**HUMAN RESOURCES – MODIFICATION OF STATUS – ACCOUNTING AGENT
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the present status of Monica Matei, Auxiliary White Collar,
Accounting Agent, be modified to Permanent White Collar, Accounting Agent,
effective February 13, 2007.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070204

**HUMAN RESOURCES – MODIFICATION OF STATUS – PUBLIC SECURITY
OFFICER**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the present status of Antonio Labattaglia, Auxiliary White Collar, Public Security Officer, be modified to Permanent White Collar, Public Security Officer, effective February 13, 2007.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070205

HUMAN RESOURCES – HIRING – COORDINATOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES – PUBLIC WORKS

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL BROWNSTEIN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT Danielle Garonce be and is hereby hired as Coordinator of Administrative Services – Public Works Department – posting 2007-101, effective February 13, 2007;

THAT Treasurer’s certificate number TC07-0012 dated February 7, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070206

HUMAN RESOURCES – HIRING – WASTE ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY TECHNICIAN

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT Robin Goldstein be and is hereby hired on a contract basis, as Waste Environment and Safety Technician, for the Public Works Department, posting 2007-102, for a six month period, effective February 7, 2007 up to and until August 10, 2007;

THAT Treasurer’s certificate number TC07-0011 dated February 7, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070207

HUMAN RESOURCES – HIRING – AUXILIARIES – PARKS AND RECREATION

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the list of auxiliary employees for the Parks and Recreation Department for February, 2007, entitled “*Part-time employees*” – and comprising of one (1) page – be approved as submitted;

THAT the employees contained on the aforementioned list be and are hereby hired and shall commence as per their respective hiring dates indicated on the aforementioned list;

THAT Treasurer’s certificate number TC07-0009 dated January 30, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070208

HUMAN RESOURCES – MATERNITY LEAVE – REFERENCE LIBRARIAN

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the maternity leave of Mearaid Stevenson, Reference Librarian, at the Eleanor London Côte Saint-Luc Public Library, be and is hereby accepted as of January 12, 2007.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070209

HUMAN RESOURCES – RESIGNATION – OFFICE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc received a letter from one of its Office Software Development Technicians, employee number 2014, dated Monday, January 22, 2007 in which he tendered his resignation effective February 2, 2007;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SAM GOLDBLOOM

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the City accepts, with regret, the resignation of Mohamed Rouis, effective February 2, 2007.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070210

FINANCE – APPROVAL OF THE DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2007 TO JANUARY 31, 2007

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL BROWNSTEIN

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the disbursements for the period of January 1st to January 31st 2007 for a total of \$1,064,964.55 in Canadian Funds and \$9,435.34 in U.S. Funds are hereby approved;

THAT Treasurer’s certificate number TC07-0013 dated February 9, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses;

THAT said resolution shall be for immediate action.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070211

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED PLAN TEXT OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC

This item was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

070212

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 060505

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT resolution bearing minute number 060505 is hereby amended to hereinafter read as follows:

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES – APPOINTMENT OF CITY REPRESENTATIVES TO PENSION COMMITTEE

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT Council hereby appoints the following City representatives on the Pension Committee of the Supplemental Pension Plan of the employees of the City of Côte Saint-Luc, as of February 12, 2007:

Kenneth Lerner - President of the Committee and City Manager
Dida Berku Committee - Member and Councillor
Sam Goldbloom - Committee Member and Councillor
Nadia Di Furia - Committee Member and Payroll Supervisor
Angelo Marino - Committee Member and City Treasurer

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070213

**URBAN PLANNING – SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION
PROGRAMS (SPAIP) – 5993 DAVID LEWIS – CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received August 30, 2006 showing the construction of a rear solarium to a single-family row dwelling on lot 2091357 at 5993 David Lewis and prepared by Labre & associés, land surveyor, for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of September 19, 2006, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217 of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070214

**URBAN PLANNING – SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION
PROGRAMS (SPAIP) – 5580 KING EDWARD – CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received October 16, 2006 showing an extension (solarium) of a detached single-family dwelling on lot 1561492 at 5580 King Edward and prepared by the owner for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of October 18, 2006, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217 of the City of Côte Saint-Luc on the condition that the solarium be located at 15.8’ from the rear lot line.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070215

**URBAN PLANNING – SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION
PROGRAMS (SPAIP) – 6825 LOUIS PASTEUR – CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received December 4, 2006 showing modifications to the front façade of a detached single-family dwelling by replacing the existing brick by stone on lot 1561651 at 6825 Louis Pasteur and prepared by Marc Deschamps, architect, for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of December 12, 2006, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217 of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070216

**URBAN PLANNING – SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION
PROGRAMS (SPAIP) – 5567 BORDEN – CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received December 1, 2006 showing elevations of a one storey rear extension of a detached single-family dwelling on lot 1560686 at 5567 Borden and prepared by Geiger Huot, architects, for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of December 12, 2006, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217 of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070217

**URBAN PLANNING – SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION
PROGRAMS (SPAIP) – 5610 HUDSON – CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received December 1, 2006 showing elevations showing a one storey rear extension to a semi-detached single-family dwelling on lot 1689408 at 5610 Hudson and prepared by the owner, for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of December 12, 2006, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217 of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070218

**URBAN PLANNING – SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION
PROGRAMS (SPAIP) – 5634 CORK – CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received December 11, 2006 showing a one-storey rear extension of a detached single-family dwelling on lot 1053325 at 5634 Cork and prepared by the owner, for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of December 12, 2006, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217 of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070219

**URBAN PLANNING – MINOR EXEMPTION – 5795 ELDRIDGE –
CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee and in accordance with the provisions of by-law G18-0005, the request for a Minor Exemption regarding the property located at 5795 Eldridge, Lot 1053416, be and is hereby approved, the whole as more amply delineated hereunder:

The request is to allow an existing two-family, semi-detached dwelling to be located at 17.91' from the front lot line instead of the required minimum of 20.0'. It is also to allow a side setback of 10' instead of the minimum of 13'. The foregoing are in accordance with the provisions of zoning by-law 2217, annex “B” (zone RB-6) of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070220

**URBAN PLANNING – MINOR EXEMPTION – 5610 HUDSON –
CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee and in accordance with the provisions of by-law G18-0005, the request for a Minor Exemption regarding the property located at 5610 Hudson, Lot 1689408, be and is hereby approved, the whole as more amply delineated hereunder:

The request is to allow:

1. a one-storey rear extension to a semi-detached single family dwelling to be located at 1'-0" from the mitoyen lot line instead of the required minimum of 6'-6";
2. the construction of a rear extension to a semi-detached, single family dwelling without having to construct a garage for one interior parking space despite one interior parking space being required;

The foregoing are in accordance with zoning by-law 2217, annex “B” (zone RU-20) and article 7-2-1a) of the City of Côte Saint-Luc.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070221

URBAN PLANNING – MINOR EXEMPTION – 6860 EDISON – CÔTE SAINT-LUC

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT as recommended by the Planning Advisory Committee and in accordance with the provisions of by-law G18-0005, the request for a Minor Exemption regarding the property located at 6860 Edison, Lot 1561817, be and is hereby approved, the whole as more amply delineated hereunder:

The request is to allow a detached, single family dwelling be located at 16.69' from the front lot line instead of the minimum required of 20.0'. It is also to allow that the said dwelling be located 7.61' from the lateral lot line on the east side instead of the minimum required of 9.0'. The foregoing are in accordance with the provisions of zoning by-law 2217, annex “B” (zone RU-32) of the City of Côte Saint-Luc”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070222

**URBAN PLANNING – MINOR EXEMPTION – 6900 DECARIE –
CÔTE SAINT-LUC**

This item was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

070223

NOTICE OF MOTION: “BY-LAW TO AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAW NO. 2217, OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED DRIVEWAY WIDTH TO 21'-0” ”

This item was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

070224

RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE BY-LAW TO BE ENTITLED: “BY-LAW TO AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAW NO. 2217, OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED DRIVEWAY WIDTH TO 21'-0” ”

This item was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

070225

NOTICE OF MOTION: “BY-LAW TO AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAW NO. 2217, OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC IN ORDER TO MODIFY THE INSTITUTIONAL CATEGORY OF USE -4, CREATE ZONE RM*-61, REPLACE SECTION 5.1, ALLOW FOR THE INSTITUTIONAL CATEGORY OF USE –4 AND THE SPECIFIC COMPLEMENTARY USES OF SECTION 5.1 IN THE NEWLY RENAMED ZONE RM*-15 (FORMER ZONE RM-15)”

This item was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

070226

RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE BY-LAW TO BE ENTITLED: "BY-LAW TO AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAW NO. 2217, OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC IN ORDER TO MODIFY THE INSTITUTIONAL CATEGORY OF USE -4, CREATE ZONE RM*-61, REPLACE SECTION 5.1, ALLOW FOR THE INSTITUTIONAL CATEGORY OF USE -4 AND THE SPECIFIC COMPLEMENTARY USES OF SECTION 5.1 IN THE NEWLY RENAMED ZONE RM*-15 (FORMER ZONE RM-15)"

This item was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

070227

HIRING OF THE CONSULTING FIRM FOR THE CAVENDISH MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc requires the services of an urban planning firm to assist the City in the planning of a dynamic, multifunctional urban centre concept within the redevelopment of the Cavendish Mall site;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the City of Côte Saint-Luc agrees that provided the parties agree to the terms and conditions of a consulting agreement, based on Côte Saint-Luc's standard consulting agreement and also agree on a statement of work, the City is authorized to enter into an agreement with (PLA Consultants) Parent Latreille et Associés Inc. in the amount of \$24,000.00 taxes included;

THAT any of: the Mayor, Acting Mayor, City Manager, Director of Publics and Urban Planning or City Clerk, is authorized to sign the consulting agreement to give effect to the foregoing;

THAT Treasurer's certificate number TC07-0014 dated February 7, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070228

PUBLIC WORKS – ANNUAL PLANTING OF FLOWERS FOR 2007

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc wishes to plant flowers throughout its territory in 2007;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL BROWNSTEIN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT Council hereby awards a supply contract for flowers for 2007 to Les Jardins W.G. Charlebois Inc for an amount of \$15,989.42 plus applicable taxes, the whole as more amply delineated in quotation number C-03-07;

THAT Treasurer’s certificate number TC07-0008 dated January 24, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070229

LOAN BY-LAW NUMBER 2255 ENTITLED “BY-LAW 2255 AUTHORIZING A LOAN OF \$798,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE HEAVY VEHICLE GARBAGE TRUCKS” - ADOPTION

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL BROWNSTEIN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT By-law entitled: “*By-law authorizing a loan of \$798,000 for the purchase of three heavy vehicle garbage trucks*” be and is hereby adopted and numbered 2255;

THAT said loan By-law is subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Regions;

THAT financing for said By-law shall not exceed fifteen (15) years;

THAT funds for the expenses incurred for the project in this entitled By-law shall be imputed from loan By-law number 2255.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070230

PARKS AND RECREATION – APPLICATION OF CANADA DAY GRANT

WHEREAS the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Côte Saint-Luc annually hosts Canada Day events on July 1;

WHEREAS it is in the interest of the residents of the City to promote Canada Day in Côte Saint-Luc;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the City Council of Côte Saint-Luc supports the application for subsidies, from the Canadian Heritage Department of the Government of Canada, through the “Celebrate Canada” grant;

THAT said resolution shall be for immediate action.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070231

**RESOLUTION ON FIRST RESPONDER SERVICES PROVIDED BY CITY OF
CÔTE SAINT-LUC VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS the Emergency Medical Services (“EMS”) department, created under the Emergency Measures Organization banner in 1965 by the City of Côte Saint-Luc, has been providing high quality first responder services to the territory of Côte Saint-Luc since 1980; and

WHEREAS this service is manned by highly trained, dedicated personnel who volunteer their time and efforts to serve the community, said training being provided by the EMS Training Academy and following the U.S. D.O.T. program for First Responders and E.M.T.’s, all of which is overseen by an emergentologist serving as Medical Director, and an oversight committee of elected, lay and professional leaders in the Emergency Services Committee; and

WHEREAS the former and current City of Côte Saint-Luc and the former Borough of Côte Saint-Luc/Hampstead/Montreal West have invested considerable financial and human resources to offer this service; and

WHEREAS the EMS is equipped with a fleet of three modern emergency vehicles, state-of-the-art emergency medical equipment, devices, tools and supplies, all housed in headquarters at 8100 Côte Saint-Luc Road; and

WHEREAS the EMS responds to more than 3000 medical assistance calls each year and assists at community events, crises and other major emergencies in the community and throughout south-western Quebec; and

WHEREAS the yearly statistics of EMS have shown response times averaging 3 minutes, which is the fastest average response time for first responder medical calls on the Island of Montreal; and

WHEREAS the significant time differential in response between EMS and those Montreal fire stations providing emergency first response can mean the difference between life and death in some instances; and

WHEREAS the EMS system and volunteers have earned the praise and admiration of the community they serve and those whom they have aided through the years; and

WHEREAS the EMS has provided an important educational, community and volunteer opportunity to hundreds and perhaps thousands of young adults of this area and indeed the entire Montreal region, many of whom have entered the medical professions as a result of their rewarding experiences in this impressive organization; and

WHEREAS the collective agreement with the firefighters signed by the City of Montreal in September, 2003 makes no mention of the unique service provided by EMS despite numerous interventions by the borough to insist that EMS’s right to continue to perform its service in Côte Saint-Luc; and

WHEREAS Decree 1229-2005 dated December 8, 2005 states that, “the component of Public Security consisting of the first responder services in the territory of the Ville de Côte Saint-Luc is an aspect of power other than an urban agglomeration power that is under the responsibility of the Ville de Côte Saint-Luc” said legislation enacted in recognition of the high level of professional life-saving services provided by EMS and the deep attachment and extremely strong communal support enjoyed by EMS by the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc recognizes the importance of implementing first responder service across the island but had expressed its displeasure with the City of Montreal's lack of consultation with those boroughs that had first responder services which were affected by the wording of the firefighters collective agreement, in particular the lack of consultation with Côte Saint-Luc/Hampstead/Montreal West whose unique EMS service would be particularly affected; and

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc has undertaken to negotiate with the Montreal Fire Department to ensure that continued First Responder Services will be the responsibility of EMS, all to no avail;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

- 1) THAT the City of Côte Saint-Luc demands that the Government of Quebec delegates the responsibility of First Responder Services, including all priority 1 and 2 emergency calls to the City of Côte Saint-Luc, by striking out the third paragraph in article 69 of Decree 1229-2005 which states, "This section ceases to have effect on 31 December 2008";
- 2) THAT the City of Côte Saint-Luc calls upon Mr. Laurence Bergman, Member of the National Assembly for D'Arcy McGee, to undertake all means required to vigorously support the position of the City;
- 3) THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Jean Charest, Premier of Quebec, Mr. Lawrence Bergman, Member of the National Assembly for D'Arcy McGee; M. Phillipe Couillard, Minister of Health and Social Services; M. Jacques P. Dupuis, Provincial Minister of Public Security; Mme. Nathalie Normandeau, Minister of Municipal Affairs and of the Regions; M. Gerald Tremblay, Mayor of Montreal, M. Serge Tremblay, Director of the Montreal Fire Department; to all of the reconstituted municipalities on the Island of Montreal as well as all members of the Agglomeration Council;
- 4) THAT this resolution shall be for immediate action."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070232

RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO LINK ITS EMERGENCY CALLS TO CÔTE SAINT-LUC'S DISPATCH SERVICE TO ALLOW CÔTE SAINT-LUC'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC SECURITY DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc was reconstituted on January 1, 2006;

WHEREAS municipal legislation was enacted in view of dividing municipal powers between the reconstituted municipalities and the agglomeration;

WHEREAS article 19(1) of the *Act respecting the exercise municipal powers in certain agglomerations* as well as article 69 of Agglomeration Decree 1229-05 confers upon the City of Côte Saint-Luc exclusive jurisdiction over first responders;

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc has made a policy decision to continue to provide a service of first response which is within its competence;

WHEREAS when dealing with first response, time as well as effective and rapid communication is of the essence;

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc had verbally requested, at its Emergency Services Committee Meeting held on March 15, 2006, that fire department ("FD") calls be linked to Côte Saint-Luc's dispatch service so that its Emergency Medical Services first responders and Public Security Department can be promptly dispatched to the scene of each fire department call occurring within its territory;

WHEREAS at a subsequent Emergency Services Committee Meeting on April 19, 2006 the fire department advised the City that linking Côte Saint-Luc's dispatch service with the Fire Department would not be possible since the City's link is with Urgences Santé and it would be up to the City of Côte Saint-Luc to ensure that Urgences Santé create the link required;

WHEREAS the City, finding the aforementioned response unacceptable, drafted a letter on May 24, 2006 to Division Chief René Daigneault, calling upon him to accede to the City's request regarding the link of dispatch services and clearly explaining its reasons – namely:

- prior to the forced mergers, in 2001, the City of Côte Saint-Luc was able to dispatch all Fire Department calls simultaneously to its EMS and Public Security departments;
- the dispatching of these calls provided greater safety and security to Côte Saint-Luc residents as well as to the firefighters;
- the action to link Côte Saint-Luc's dispatch service with the fire department translated into an integrated and comprehensive response by Côte Saint-Luc's emergency providers and as such, provided, a unique and invaluable benefit offered to Côte Saint-Luc residents as well as to the firefighters;
- Emergency Medical Service crews, already on stand-by within the City of Côte Saint-Luc, can remain on stand-by near the scene of any fire call, until actually required at the scene, liberated from the scene or called to an emergency elsewhere;
- Côte Saint-Luc Public Security staff can always be of assistance for traffic control or other measures as required, the whole in conformity with the rights and obligations conferred upon them as per the *Highway Safety Code* and as per Côte Saint-Luc's by-laws;
- both Public Security crews and the Emergency Medical Services crews always were available, and continue to be available, to respond to fire calls in Côte Saint-Luc, and this, without any cost to the fire department;

WHEREAS the aforementioned letter has gone without a response or follow-up;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT the Municipal Council of the City of Côte Saint-Luc demands that the Montreal Fire Department undertakes to link its dispatch service with the dispatch service in Côte Saint-Luc for all fire department calls within Côte Saint-Luc’s territory;

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Jean Charest, Premier of Quebec, Mr. Lawrence Bergman, Member of the National Assembly for D’Arcy McGee; M. Phillipe Couillard, Minister of Health and Social Services; M. Jacques P. Dupuis, Provincial Minister of Public Security; Mme. Nathalie Normandeau, Minister of Municipal Affairs and of the Regions; M. Gerald Tremblay, Mayor of Montreal, M. Serge Tremblay, Director of the Montreal Fire Department; to all of the reconstituted municipalities on the Island of Montreal as well as all members of the Agglomeration Council.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070233

AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT OF INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND CONSULTANT’S FEE

WHEREAS for the purpose of purchasing group property insurance with a possibility of a group deductible, the City has participated with other cities in a joint agreement. The Transition Committee (*Comité de transition de l’agglomération de Montréal*) reached this agreement on May 27, 2005 for and in the name of the Island of Montreal municipalities to be reconstituted and the *Union des municipalités du Québec* (“UMQ”) for a three-year period: January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008;

WHEREAS the “UMQ” was mandated by the Transition Committee to act as representative of this association known as the *Regroupement des municipalités de l’Île de Montréal* (RMIM) and, as such, the UMQ assumes the responsibilities of advisor and deductible fund manager;

WHEREAS a call for tenders was made by Optimum Gestion de risques, Division de Optimum Actuaire & Conseiller Inc. and by the “UMQ” for the *Regroupement des municipalités de l’Île de Montréal*;

WHEREAS, it was recommended by the consultant, Optimum Gestion de risques, Division de Optimum Actuaire & Conseillers Inc., to accept the bid made by Aon Parizeau Inc. for municipal liability insurance and the bid by BF Lorenzetti & Associés for other property insurance as they are the most advantageous and allow for the establishment of a \$360,000 civil liability group deductible coverage;

WHEREAS on December 14, 2005, the Council of the City of Côte Saint-Luc, via resolution number 051217, approved the joint agreement reached on May 27, 2005 by the Transition Committee for and in the name of the municipalities to be reconstituted on the Island of Montreal and the “UMQ” for the three-year term beginning on January 1, 2006 and ending on December 31, 2008 for the purpose of purchasing group property insurance with a possibility of a group deductible;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC

AND RESOLVED:

TO GRANT the City's property insurance and civil liability contracts from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 the whole as more amply delineated hereunder:

THAT Council authorizes payment to B.F. Lorenzetti, Broker, in the amount of \$112,534, plus applicable taxes, for premiums to the insurance companies as is detailed in Annex A entitled: "Annexé (sic) A et faisant partie de la note de couverture no. MTL-06-022881" and forming an integral part of the minutes;

THAT Council further authorizes payment in the amount of \$49,318 for its share contribution of the \$360,000 civil liability group deductible coverage described above herein;

THAT Council further authorizes payment in the amount of \$11,961.00, plus applicable taxes, to AON Parizeau, broker, in the name of the Insurer, St. Paul Guarantee Insurance Company, for the City's professional liability/errors and omissions policy;

THAT Council also further authorizes payment in the amount of \$2,250.00, plus applicable taxes, to Optimum Gestion de Risque for their professional fees in the preparation of the City of Côte Saint-Luc's insurance policies;

THAT the Mayor or the Acting Mayor or the City Manager or the Director of Legal Services and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized to sign any invoices giving effect to the foregoing;

THAT Treasurer's certificate number TC07-0010 dated January 31, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070234

AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE AN INVOICE WITH MICHAEL SOKOLS

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SAM GOLDBLOOM

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT Council hereby authorizes the Director of Legal Services and City Clerk to settle an outstanding invoice with Michael Sokols, for plumbing work done between his plumbing infrastructure and the City's;

THAT the aforementioned full and final settlement shall be in the amount of \$915.00, plus all applicable taxes;

THAT Treasurer's certificate number TC07-0016 dated February 9, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses;

THAT the Director of Legal Services and City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to sign a release, receipt and full and final discharge on behalf of the City to give effect to the foregoing."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070235

RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO CONSIDER OR INVESTIGATE THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY IN VIEW OF ASCERTAINING WHETHER RESTRAINING DEVICES (I.E. SAFETY BELTS) SHOULD BE USED ON SCHOOL BUSES

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT Council calls upon the National Assembly to consider or to investigate if the latest technology makes it advisable for school buses to have restraining devices such as safety belts;

THAT this resolution be sent to MNA Lawrence Bergman, the *Union des municipalités du Québec* and the other reconstituted municipalities as well as the provincial Minister of Transport, Mr. Michel Després.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Subsequent to the adoption of the resolution, Councillor Erdelyi requested that the Minutes reflect that while he supports Councillor Levine’s resolution, the studies he has seen have yet to show conclusive evidence that children wearing safety belts on school buses is safer to which Councillor Cohen echoed Councillor Erdelyi’s comments but did state that he supported the *spirit* of Councillor Levine’s resolution.

070236

LIBRARY – PERIODICALS SUBSCRIPTION SUPPLY AND SERVICES – ANNUAL CONTRACT

WHEREAS Ebsco Canada Ltée. helps the City of Côte Saint-Luc (“CITY”) manage its periodical subscriptions and provides the CITY with adequate periodical databases;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

“THAT Council authorizes the awarding of a supplies and services contract to Ebsco Canada Ltée for a maximum amount of \$42,000.00, taxes included, for the year 2007;

THAT Treasurer’s certificate number TC07-0015 dated February 8, 2007 has been issued by the City Treasurer attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses;

THAT said resolution shall be for immediate action.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

070237

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE STANCE OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC COUNCIL ON ISSUES TO BE PRESENTED AT THE MONTREAL URBAN AGGLOMERATION COUNCIL MEETING

WHEREAS according to section 4 of *An Act respecting the exercise of certain municipal powers in certain urban agglomerations* (R.S.Q., c. E-20.001), (hereinafter "the Act"), the urban agglomeration of Montreal is made up namely of the City of Côte Saint-Luc since January 1, 2006;

WHEREAS according to section 58 of "the Act" every central municipality has an urban agglomeration council, the nature, composition and operating rules of which are set out in an order in council and that this agglomeration council constitutes a deliberative body of the municipality;

WHEREAS under section 59 of the Act, every municipality must be represented on the urban agglomeration council;

WHEREAS according to section 61 of the Act, at a meeting of the council of a related municipality, the mayor informs the council of the matters that are to be considered at a future meeting of the urban agglomeration council, sets out the position the mayor intends to take on any matter referred to at the urban agglomeration council meeting, discusses that position with the other members present and proposes the adoption of a resolution establishing the council's stance;

WHEREAS an agglomeration council meeting shall be held on March 1st, 2007 for which members of the municipal council shall establish the stance that it wishes to take;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GLENN J. NASHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT Council take the following stance in view of the Agglomeration Council meeting to be held on March 1st, 2007 as follows:

- to authorize the Mayor, should he deem it expedient to attend said meeting, to make any decisions he deems necessary and in the best interest of the City of Côte Saint-Luc and its residents regarding the items on the agenda of the Agglomeration Council meeting to be held on March 1st, 2007 based on the information to be presented during those meetings."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND QUESTION PERIOD

The second question period started at 10:07 p.m. and finished at 10:17 p.m. Three (3) people asked to speak and they were heard.

1) Irving Itman

The resident inquired as to how much the City is spending this year on flower planting to which Mayor Housefather responded \$18,227.93.

The resident inquired as to why the City must pay for a Consultant regarding the redevelopment of the Cavendish Mall to which Mayor Housefather responded that the City wishes to have someone assisting its staff so that it may impart its vision of the site and the consultant in question, Parent Latreil, has extensive expertise.

2) Avrum Shtern

The resident complimented the quality of the Côte Saint-Luc EMS service citing a personal experience with a family member as an example and explained that it would be a great loss if EMS disappears. He then opined the Provincial Government does not put enough priority on first responders services.

The resident then advised council that he supports a proposed suggestion to have a youth golf clinic at the Meadowbrook golf course.

The resident then registered his support for the monthly Long-Term Overnight Parking Permit fees stating that for environmental reasons, there should be fewer cars on the road.

The resident then opined that Agglomeration Services are inadequate.

3) Alex Davis

The resident expressed praise for Côte Saint-Luc's EMS first responders.

The resident then expressed his support of having fewer cars parked on Côte Saint-Luc streets overnight explaining this results in safer and more beautiful streets.

AT 10:17 P.M. MAYOR HOUSEFATHER DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED.

ANTHONY HOUSEFATHER
MAYOR

JONATHAN SHECTER
DIRECTOR OF LEGAL SERVICES
AND CITY CLERK