



Resolution or
Notation No.

Minutes of the Council of the Municipality of
Blanc-Sablon

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
MUNICIPALITY OF BLANC-SABLON

Minutes of the regular municipal council sitting of the Municipality of Blanc-Sablon held on December 16th 2025, at the municipal hall in Blanc-Sablon at 7:00 p.m. under the chairmanship of the Mayor, Colin Shattler, and also present to form quorum:

The councillors: Alexis Beaudoin
Jarvin Joncas
Jeremy Griffin
Dany Gaudreault
Johanne V. Beaudoin
Laurette Willcott

Karine Benoit, General Director of the Municipality of Blanc-Sablon, was also present.

OPENING OF THE SITTING

The president of the assembly verified the quorum and declared the sitting opened at 7:01 p.m. after a minute of silence.

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READING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

WHEREAS the Mayor invited the General Director to read the proposed agenda;

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Johanne V. Beaudoin**, seconded by **Jeremy Griffin** and unanimously resolved to adopt the agenda as read.

AGENDA

1. OPENING OF THE SITTING
2. READING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
3. ADOPTION AND FOLLOW-UP OF THE MINUTES OF THE SITTING HELD ON NOVEMBER 18TH 2025
4. DEPOSIT AND ADOPTION OF THE CHEQUES ISSUED AND THE NON-REDUCIBLE EXPENSES PAID DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025
5. DEPOSIT AND ADOPTION OF THE PAYABLES FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025
6. DEPOSIT AND ADOPTION OF THE BUDGETARY REPORTS, TRANSFERS, AND CREDIT COMMITMENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025
7. RECEIVABLE TAXES UP TO THE 30TH OF NOVEMBER 2025
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11. NOTICE OF MOTION OF PROJECT BY-LAW NUMBER 2026-R-001 CONCERNING THE OCCUPANCY AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS
12. ADOPTION OF PROJECT BY-LAW NUMBER 2026-R-001 CONCERNING THE OCCUPANCY AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS
13. REQUEST FOR MINOR EXEMPTION CONCERNING THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT ADDRESS 13 MONT-PARENT STREET



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14. USE OF THE RESERVE FUND FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO THE CONDUCT OF AN ELECTION
15. REQUEST THAT THE QUEBEC GOVERNMENT SUSPEND BILL 2 "AN ACT MAINLY TO ESTABLISH COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPROVING ACCESS TO MEDICAL SERVICES AND ENSURING THE CONTINUITY OF THE PROVISION OF SUCH SERVICES"
16. NEW AFFAIRS
17. QUESTION PERIOD
18. CLOSING OF THE SITTING

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ADOPTION AND FOLLOW-UP OF THE MINUTES OF THE SITTING HELD ON NOVEMBER 18TH 2025

It is proposed by **Alexis Beaudoin**, seconded by **Jarvin Joncas** and unanimously resolved to adopt the minutes of the sitting held on November 18th, 2025 with exemption of reading.

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DEPOSIT AND ADOPTION OF THE CHEQUES ISSUED AND THE NON-REDUCIBLE EXPENSES PAID DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025

It is proposed by **Dany Gaudreault**, seconded by **Laurette Willcott** and unanimously resolved to deposit and adopt the list of cheques issued and the non-reducible expenses paid during the month of November 2025 in the respective amount of \$ 153 915.24 for general administration and \$ 31 053.66 for the payroll.

2025-144

DEPOSIT AND ADOPTION OF THE PAYABLE ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025

It is proposed by **Laurette Willcott**, seconded by **Johanne V. Beaudoin** and unanimously resolved to deposit and adopt the payable accounts for the month of November 2025 in the amount of \$ 112 748.62.

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DEPOSIT AND ADOPTION OF THE BUDGETARY REPORTS, TRANSFERS, AND CREDIT COMMITMENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025

It is proposed by **Alexis Beaudoin**, seconded by **Jeremy Griffin** and unanimously resolved to deposit and adopt the budgetary reports, transfers, and credit commitments for the months of November and December 2025 in the respective amounts of \$ 298 928.27 and \$ 208 218.63.

DEPOSIT OF THE TAX ARREARS REPORT AS OF THE 30TH OF NOVEMBER 2025

The General Director deposited and commented on the tax arrears report as of the 30th of November 2025 as \$ 154 066.01.

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RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BLANC-SABLON

WHEREAS Article 148 of the Municipal Code of Québec provides that the Council must establish, before the beginning of each calendar year, the calendar of its regular meetings for the coming year, setting the day and time of the beginning of each;

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Jarvin Joncas**, seconded by **Dany Gaudreault**, and unanimously resolved:

THAT meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Blanc-Sablon municipal hall;



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THAT the following schedule of regular council meetings for the year 2026 be adopted:

- January 20th
- February 17th
- March 17th
- April 21st
- May 19th
- June 16th
- July 21st
- August 18th
- September 15th
- October 20th
- November 17th
- December 15th

THAT public notice of the contents of this calendar be published by Karine Benoit, General Director, in accordance with the Act governing the Municipality.

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SCHEDULE FOR THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON 2025-2026

It is proposed by **Jeremy Griffin**, seconded by **Jarvin Joncas** and unanimously resolved to authorize the closing of the municipal office from December 22nd, 2025 to January 2nd, 2026 inclusively.

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SALE OF PROPERTIES FOR NON-PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES

WHEREAS the Municipality must collect all municipal taxes within its territory;

WHEREAS it is in the Municipality's interest to send the Gulf of St. Lawrence MRC office an extract from the tax statement prepared by the clerk-treasurer, including a list of properties for which individuals are in debt for municipal taxes, so that these properties may be sold in accordance with sections 1022 et seq. of the Municipal Code.

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Dany Gaudreault**, seconded by **Johanne V. Beaudoin**, and unanimously resolved:

THAT the clerk-treasurer, Karine Benoit, forward, before December 20th 2025, to the office of the Gulf of St. Lawrence MRC, the extract from the tax statement prepared by the clerk-treasurer including the list of properties for which individuals are in debt for municipal taxes attached as an appendix, so that said properties may be sold at public auction, in accordance with sections 1022 et seq. of the Municipal Code, to satisfy unpaid municipal taxes, with interest and costs incurred, unless such taxes, interest, and costs are paid prior to the sale.

2025-149

NOTICE OF MOTION OF PROJECT BY-LAW NUMBER 2026-R-001 CONCERNING THE OCCUPANCY AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS

Laurette Willcott, Councillor, gave notice of motion to the effect that draft by-law number 2026-R-001 concerning the occupancy and maintenance of buildings be presented at the present meeting and requested that the reading of the by-law be dispensed with, a copy having been given to each member of Council.



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**ADOPTION OF PROJECT BY-LAW NUMBER 2026-R-001 CONCERNING THE
OCCUPANCY AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS**

- WHEREAS** the “Schéma d'aménagement et de développement of the MRC du Golfe-du-Saint-Laurent” came into force in December 2017;
- WHEREAS** under the Act respecting land use planning and development (chapter A-19.1), the Municipality may proceed with the drafting of a by-law concerning the occupancy and maintenance of buildings;
- WHEREAS** a copy of this draft by-law was delivered to each member of Council no later than two legal days prior to this meeting, and all members of Council present declared having read it and renounced to its reading;
- WHEREAS** the Chairman of the meeting mentioned the purpose of the draft by-law and its scope;

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Alexis Beaudoin**, seconded by **Jarvin Joncas** and unanimously resolved:

THAT the Municipality of Blanc-Sablon adopt the draft by-law bearing number 2026-R-001 concerning the occupancy and maintenance of buildings, which, annexed hereto, forms an integral part of the present resolution as if it were reproduced here at length.

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**REQUEST FOR MINOR EXEMPTION CONCERNING THE PROPERTY
LOCATED AT ADDRESS 13 MONT-PARENT STREET**

- WHEREAS** the front setback of the main building does not comply with the minimum setback of 8 meters prescribed in the zoning regulations;
- WHEREAS** the current front setback is as little as 4.92 meters;
- WHEREAS** it is not possible to move the building;
- WHEREAS** it is not possible to acquire land to regularize the front margin;

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Alexis Beaudoin**, seconded by **Dany Gaudreault**, and unanimously resolved to approve the minor exemption request concerning the property located at 13 Mont-Parent Street, allowing the front setback of the main building to be less than 8 meters.

2025-152

**USE OF THE RESERVE FUND FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO THE CONDUCT
OF AN ELECTION**

- WHEREAS** by Resolution No. 2023-047, the Municipality, in accordance with section 278.1 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities (LERM), established a fund reserved for financing expenses related to holding an election in anticipation of the next general election, to cover the cost of that election;
- WHEREAS** a general election was held on November 2nd, 2025;
- WHEREAS** the balance of the fund reserved for financing expenses related to the holding of an election amounts to \$ 8 000.00;
- WHEREAS** the costs related to this general election amounted to \$ 8 135.53, consisting in particular of:



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- The remuneration of election staff;
- Expenses related to election procedures;
- Expenses related to election materials.

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Johanne V. Beaudoin**, seconded by **Jarvin Joncas**, and unanimously resolved:

TO USE the fund reserved for expenses related to holding an election in the amount of \$ 8 000.00 for expenses incurred during the general election on November 2nd, 2025;

THAT the amounts necessary to cover the excess costs related to this election be drawn from the general fund for the fiscal year.

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REQUEST THAT THE QUEBEC GOVERNMENT SUSPEND BILL 2 “AN ACT MAINLY TO ESTABLISH COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPROVING ACCESS TO MEDICAL SERVICES AND ENSURING THE CONTINUITY OF THE PROVISION OF SUCH SERVICES”

WHEREAS the Government of Quebec has introduced Bill 2, which aims to introduce new management and performance measures in the healthcare system, particularly with regard to family physicians;

WHEREAS this Act was initially known as Bill 106, entitled “An Act mainly to establish collective responsibility for improving access to medical services and ensuring the continuity of the provision of such services”, and was passed by the National Assembly of Quebec on October 25, 2025, under closure;

WHEREAS this law is causing serious concern among health professionals, particularly because of its focus on quantitative performance rather than quality of care;

WHEREAS family physicians assume a wide range of clinical and community responsibilities that are essential to the proper functioning of the healthcare system;

WHEREAS such a reform places additional pressure on an already fragile system, increasing the risk of dropouts, departures to other provinces, and greater difficulties in recruitment and retention;

WHEREAS it is essential to refocus health policies on patient needs and on the principle of humane, accessible, continuous, and high-quality care, but the payment method provided for in the Act of Bill 2 focuses on the quantity of medical procedures rather than on the quality of services provided, which runs counter to this fundamental principle;

WHEREAS public confidence in the healthcare system is based on stability, transparency, recognition of professionals, and their involvement in decisions that affect them;



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WHEREAS a reform of this magnitude should be developed through a collaborative approach with physicians and stakeholders in the network, taking into account regional realities and the specific challenges of outlying areas, and in a spirit of cooperation;

WHEREAS in the context of the resumption of negotiations on the terms of Bill 2, arbitration should be favored in order to promote the achievement of a consensus that serves the best interests of the healthcare system;

WHEREAS that broad consultation with health professionals and regions is a guarantee of legitimacy and relevance in the development of laws governing our health care system;

CONSEQUENTLY, it is proposed by **Jeremy Griffin**, seconded by **Laurette Willcott**, and unanimously resolved:

TO REQUEST that the Government of Quebec suspend the application of Bill 2 in order to allow for a complete reassessment of its effects on the healthcare system;

TO CALL FOR broad consultation with physicians, health professionals, and regional representatives as part of this reassessment;

TO REQUEST that negotiations resume through arbitration;

NEW AFFAIRS

There were no new affairs.

QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

CLOSING OF THE SITTING

It is proposed by **Dany Gaudreault**, seconded by **Alexis Beaudoin** and unanimously resolved to close the present sitting at 7:30 p.m.



Colin Shattler, Mayor



Karine Benoit, General Director

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