

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council for the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood held this **2nd day of October 2025**, 10 chemin Jondée, Danford Lake, Quebec, J0X 1P0.

PRESENT:	Mayor	Carl Mayer	
	Councillors	Susan Tanner (absent)	Guy Bergeron
		Sidney Squitti	James Giroux
		Mona Giroux	

The Director General, Isabelle Cardinal, and two (2) guests were also present.

1. Opening of Meeting

Mayor Mayer acknowledges quorum and declares the meeting is officially opened at 6:30 P.M.

2. Recording of the Meeting

Statement from the Director General

3. Declaration – Use of the Language of Choice

The Declaration of use of language was read by Director General, Isabelle Cardinal.

4. Approval of Agenda

141-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mona Giroux

And, resolved unanimously that the agenda be approved with additions.

Adopted

5. Declaration of Decorum

The declaration of Decorum was read by Councillor Bergeron

6. Declaration of interest or conflict

No declaration of interest or conflict

7. Approval of the Minutes

Regular meeting held September 2nd, 2025

142-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Squitti

And, resolved unanimously that the September 2nd, 2025, minutes be approved with modifications.

Adopted

Business arising from Minutes.

8. QUESTION PERIOD

Angela Giroux asked why the public notice of Election was only published in the Pontiac Journal. The Director General explained that this decision was made for cost-saving purposes, as the *Pontiac Journal* is widely distributed and received by all households in the region. Additionally, due to the ongoing mail strike, other methods of delivery were unreliable at the time.

9. ADMINISTRATION

9.1 MRC Pontiac Report

Pro-Mayor Squitti provided a report regarding the MRC Pontiac meeting. The report is annexed to these minutes.

9.2 FQM Congress Report

Pro-Mayor Squitti, Councillor Bergeron and Director General provided a report.

9.3 Support the pilot project on Municipal Evaluation from MRC Vallée de la Gatineau

WHEREAS the issue of municipal property evaluation has been a recurring concern affecting the Municipality and its ratepayers;

WHEREAS fluctuations and inconsistencies in the evaluation system have created financial and administrative challenges for municipalities and residents across the region;

WHEREAS the MRC Vallée-de-la-Gatineau has proposed a *Pilot Project on Municipal Evaluation* with the goal of improving fairness, transparency, and stability within the municipal evaluation framework;

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood recognizes the importance of modernizing and reviewing the evaluation system to ensure municipalities and ratepayers are not placed in difficult or unjust situations;

WHEREAS the Municipality believes that changes to the current evaluation process are necessary to support sustainable municipal governance and protect the financial well-being of residents;

143-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Squitti

And, resolved unanimously that the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood expresses its full support for the **Pilot Project on Municipal Evaluation** proposed by the MRC Vallée-de-la-Gatineau;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT the Municipality encourages continued collaboration between municipalities, the MRC, and the provincial government to ensure meaningful reforms to the municipal evaluation system;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the MRC Vallée-de-la-Gatineau, the MRC Pontiac, and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MAMH).

Adopted

9.3 Chemin de la Traverse

144-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Squitti

And, resolved unanimously that the Municipality approves Chemin de la Traverse as an official new private road and the Municipal Inspector is authorized and mandated to complete and submit

all necessary documentation for the registration to the Commission de toponymie du Québec.

Adopted

9.4 Loisirs Outaouais

145-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Squitti

And, resolved unanimously that the Municipality submits a request for a Grant to add a parkour at the park.

Adopted

9.5 Report of Data RSVL

146-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Bergeron

And, resolved unanimously that Council approves the report submitted by the Municipal Inspector and it will be shared on our social media.

Adopted

9.6 November Day Camp

147-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Bergeron

And, resolved unanimously that the Municipality will be offering a Fall camp. The registration fee will remain the same as the summer camp fees. Daily and weekly rate will be available.

Adopted

10. FINANCE

Accounts paid for the month of September \$48,860.33

148-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Bergeron

And, resolved unanimously that the list of accounts paid for the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$48,860.33 be approved.

Adopted

Accounts payable for the month of September \$87,358.44

149-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor James Giroux

And, resolved unanimously that the list of accounts payable for the month of September 2025 in the amount of \$87,358.44 be approved.

Adopted

Petty Cash for the month of September 169.95\$

150-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mona Giroux

And, resolved unanimously that the list of petty cash for September 2024, in the amount of \$169.95 be approved as presented.

Adopted

11. ADMINISTRATION / FINANCE & COMMUNICATION & HR

Councillors Mona Giroux and Sidney Squitti

Councillor Squitti presented the report. The committee reviewed all invoices and accounts payable for the month of September, and no issues were found. All items were deemed in order, and the Director General will attest to the accuracy and validity of the accounts.

12. URBANISM & ENVIRONMENT

Councillors Mona Giroux, Susan Tanner, and Sidney Squitti

The data from the RSVL has been received and will be shared on our social media,

13. PUBLIC WORKS & PUBLIC SECURITY

Councillors Guy Bergeron, and James Giroux

Councillor James Giroux presented his report. He informed Council that there were issues with the backhoe, and that the brusher is now operational. CB radios have been installed—or will be installed shortly—in all municipal trucks and equipment. GPS units are also being added. Gravel work for the season has been completed.

14. MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES & MONT O'BRIEN

Councillors Sidney Squitti & Guy Bergeron

Councillor Squitti presented the report: preparing everything for the winter season, including the shutdown of the splash pad.

15. SUMMER CAMP, LEISURE, LIBRARY & YOUTH

Councillors Mona Giroux, Susan Tanner & Sidney Squitti

Councillor Squitti's presented the report: The Fall Camp included an outing to the Remembrance Day event, arts and drawing activities. The is a fundraiser for the library featuring the possibility to win tickets for a Rapid game.

16. ASSOCIATIONS (Seniors, Bethany Hall, Churches, Cenotaph,

Cottages, and Recreation)

Councillors Mona Giroux, Sidney Squitti and Guy Bergeron

Councillor Squitti's presented the report: The Cenotaph Committee is preparing for the Remembrance Day celebration. Bethany Hall is organizing a Thanksgiving supper and getting ready for a Christmas sale. Please note that the thrift shop at Bethany Hall is no longer accepting donations.

17. NEW BUSINESS

18. CORRESPONDANCE

Courtney Heeney submitted a thank you to Pro-Mayor Squitti for her MRC reports.

19. QUESTION PERIOD

Angela Giroux questioned the status of the ongoing legal procedure with the MRC Pontiac.

Maggie Early asked when the shoulder of the roads will be cut back and asked about the private road management bylaw.

Final Council Meeting Before the Election: Councillor Squitti expressed gratitude to Councillor Tanner, who has decided not to run in the upcoming election, for her dedicated service.

20. MISCELLANEOUS

I, Isabelle Cardinal, Secretary-Treasurer for the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood do hereby certify there are sufficient funds to cover the following resolutions: 145-10-2025; 147-10-2025; 148-10-2025; 149-10-2025 and 150-10-2025.

ADJOURNMENT

151-10-2025

PROPOSED BY: Councillor James Giroux

And, resolved unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Adopted



Carl Mayer, Mayor



Isabelle Cardinal, Director General and Secretary Treasurer