

MARCH 16, 2026

MINUTES of a regular sitting of the council of the Municipality of Grosse Ile hereby declared in session by the Mayor, Mr. Gordon Burke, this 16th day of March 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the municipal gymnasium situated at 1-006, chemin Jerry, Grosse Ile, Quebec, at which time a quorum is present.

The following persons are present:

Mayor:	Gordon Burke
Councillors:	Michelle Chevarie Paul Clarke
Interim Director General/ Clerk-Treasurer:	Karina Cyr
Absent with regrets:	David Burke

**OPENING OF THE SITTING AND
WELCOME WORD BY THE CHAIR**

R2026-186

The Mayor, Gordon Burke, opens the sitting and welcomes the attendees.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

R2026-187

It is proposed by Paul Clarke
Seconded by Michelle Chevarie
And unanimously approved by the Councillors present

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented:

1. Opening of the sitting
 - 1.1 Welcome word by the chair
 - 1.2 Adoption of the agenda
 - 1.3 Adoption of the February 16th, 2026, meeting minutes
 - 1.4 Correspondence
 - 1.4.1 Tax exemption – Old Harry Church
 - 1.4.2 Partnership – Winter Carnival 2026
2. Administrative acts of council
 - 2.1 Accounts Paid in February 2026
 - 2.2 Communauté maritime update
 - 2.3 2026 Tax Rates
 - 2.4 Resignation letter – Seat 3
 - 2.5 Fitness Center
 - 2.5.1 Resolution Fitness Center – Operational Modifications
3. Legislative acts of council

- 3.1 Notice of motion – Draft Bylaw 2026-001
- 3.2 Renew Resolution 2016-085 – Tax exemption Old Harry Church
- 4. Varia
- 5. Question period
- 6. Adjournment

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

The members of council received a copy of, and declare having read, the minutes of the regular sitting of council held on February 16th, 2026.

R2026-188

It is proposed by Michelle Chevarie
 Seconded by Paul Clarke
 And unanimously approved by the Councillors present.

TO adopt the minutes of the regular sitting of council held on February 16th, 2026.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

TAX EXEMPTION – MUNICIPAL COMMISSION OLD HARRY PORT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS the Old Harry Port Development Committee, a local non-profit organization, is under review for recognition of an exemption; and

WHEREAS the Old Harry Port Development Committee develops local historical exhibits that will benefit the local tourism industry; and

WHEREAS the Municipality has the opportunity to express its opinion regarding this review.

THEREFORE

R2026-189

It is proposed by Paul Clarke
 Seconded by Michelle Chevarie
 And unanimously approved by the Councillors present.

THAT the Municipality inform the Municipal Commission of its intention to support the Old Harry Port Development Committee regarding an exemption from municipal taxes.

PARTNERSHIP – WINTER CARNIVAL 2026

WHEREAS the Grosse-Ile school asks the Municipality for a contribution to the Winter Carnival. This Carnival includes some activities for all citizens.

R2026-190

It is proposed by Michelle Chevarie

Seconded by Paul Clarke
And unanimously approved by the Councillors present.

THAT financially support the Winter Carnival held by Grosse Ile school with a contribution of \$750.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTS OF THE COUNCIL

ACCOUNTS PAID FEBRUARY 2026

R2026-191

It is proposed by Michelle Chevarie
Seconded by Paul Clarke
And unanimously approved by the Councillors present

TO approve the accounts paid for the month ending February 2026 for an amount of \$61,467; this list is deposited in the register of accounts paid.

COMMUNAUTÉ MARITIME UPDATE

The Mayor, Gordon Burke, informed the Council that there were no current updates from the Communauté Maritime.

2026 TAX RATES

R2026-192

It is moved by Paul Clarke
Seconded by Michelle Chevarie
And unanimously approved by the Councillors present

THAT the 2026 general real estate tax rate for the Municipality of Grosse Iles established, in accordance with Bylaw 2006-03, for each of the categories as follows:

Residential	\$0.697 per \$100
Immovable with 6 dwellings or more	\$0.697 per \$100
Non-residential immovable	\$1.354 per \$100
Industrial immovable	\$1.490 per \$100

Special tax – (Wide – Phase 1)

Residential	\$0.017 per \$100
Immovable with 6 dwellings or more	\$0.017 per \$100
Non-residential immovable	\$0.028 per \$100
Industrial immovable	\$0.028 per \$100

THAT the number of installments remains at six (6), per fiscal year.

THAT a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per dog shall also be applied.

THAT all overdue tax accounts, in accordance with Bylaw 2006-03, shall be charged an annual interest rate of 10% plus a late penalty of 0.5% of the unpaid principal for each full month overdue, up to a maximum of 5%

annually. An annual interest rate of 15% shall be applied to all overdue accounts other than tax accounts.

RESIGNATION LETTER – SEAT 3

In accordance with article 316 of the *Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities*, the resignation letter of Mr. Dale Clarke, Councillor – Seat 3, effective March 4, 2026, is submitted.

Informs the municipal council of the vacancy of Seat 3, in accordance with article 333 of the *Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities*.

As per article 339 of the *Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities*, polling day will be set for the election to fill Seat 3.

RESOLUTION FITNESS CENTER - OPERATIONAL MODIFICATIONS

WHEREAS the Municipality of Grosse-Île (“the Municipality”) owns and operates a public Fitness Center for the benefit of residents and authorized users;

WHEREAS the council has obtained confirmation from its insurer, legal counsel, and the Fédération Québécoise des municipalités (FQM) that the required safety, monitoring, and administrative measures have been duly implemented and validated;

WHEREAS legal counsel, the municipal insurer, and the FQM have confirmed that the Municipality’s safety measures, waiver requirements, and monitoring systems meet applicable standards;

WHEREAS the Municipality must establish clear rules, responsibilities and expectations for all users in order to reduce risks, ensure appropriate conduct, and safeguard municipal infrastructure;

WHEREAS the provisions of Resolution R2025-161 were to be re-evaluated in February 2026;

WHEREAS following this re-evaluation, no incidents or breaches of the applicable rules have been reported;

THEREFORE

It is moved by Michelle Chevarie
Seconded by Paul Clarke
And unanimously approved by the Councillors present

THAT the Fitness Center operates with extended unsupervised hours and relies on chip-access entry and camera surveillance to ensure authorized use, user safety, and

protection of municipal property, making it necessary to adopt clear operational rules;

THAT the fitness center opening hours established by the present resolution shall remain in effect.

LEGISLATIVE ACTS OF THE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION – BYLAW 2026-001

R2026-194

Councillor Michelle Chevarie gave notice of motion that Bylaw 2026-001 entitled “To repeal and replace Bylaw 2022-001 – Regarding the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct of Municipal Elected Officials” will be presented for adoption at a future sitting of Council. At the same time, the draft bylaw was presented and tabled.

VARIA

REQUEST TO THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY – REVIEW OF SPEED LIMIT AND SIGNAGE – ROUTE 199 (OLD HARRY SECTOR)

WHEREAS the Municipality of Grosse-Île wishes to ensure the safety of road users;

WHEREAS concerns have been raised regarding the speed limit and signage on Route 199 in the Old Harry sector;

WHEREAS any request for a modification to a speed limit or road signage on a road under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility must be supported by a resolution of the municipal council;

THEREFORE

R2026-195

It is proposed by Paul Clarke
Seconded by Michelle Chevarie
And unanimously approved by the Councillors present

THAT the Municipality of Grosse-Île request that the Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility conduct a review of the speed limit and signage on Route 199 in the Old Harry sector to determine whether adjustments are required to improve road safety.

THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility.

QUESTION PERIOD

The question period was opened at 6:42 p.m.

Four (4) citizens addressed Council.

During the question period, several interventions occurred simultaneously, and multiple individuals spoke without being recognized by the Chair. As a result, the discussion became disorderly at times, making it difficult to clearly record all questions and allow Council members to respond.

Despite these challenges, the following questions were formally noted:

- Ms. Kim Clark asked whether the Mayor and Councillors could state their personal opinions regarding the windmill project.
- Ms. Rosanna Taker asked for clarification regarding the Code of Ethics.

Due to the level of interruptions and overlapping discussions, not all questions could be formally documented.

The question period was extended beyond the 15 minutes and closed at 7:53 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

R2026-196

It is proposed by Michelle Chevarie that the meeting be adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Gordon Burke
Mayor

Karina Cyr
Interim Director General/
Clerk-Treasurer