



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2021

Municipal Council from 2017 to 2021

In accordance with the provisions of article 176.2.2 of the Municipal Code of Québec, at the regular meeting of the municipal council on May 1st, 2023, it was resolved to send to all citizens of the Municipality of Ormstown, this report of the highlights of the financial report, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, as audited by the firm of professional accountants BCGO S.E.N.C.R.L.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

"In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Municipality of Ormstown on December 31, 2021, as well as the results of its operations, the change in its net financial assets (net debt) and cash flow for the year that ended at this date in compliance with Canadian accounting standards for the public sector."

The independent auditor's report is available for consultation in the Office of the assistant clerk.

Improvement of Municipal buildings

Thanks to a grant, the restrooms at the recreational centre were completely renovated, and some changes were made at the town hall to add a few offices.

Aqueduct and waste water/sewage
Extension of services

Municipal services have been put in place to respond to the difficulties experienced with septic installations by certain properties on Route 201. This project that began in 2019 is now in dispute with Ali Excavation, regarding conflicts encountered following the work that was done. An investigation is underway

Residential development

Residential development was one of the objectives of the previous council. In 2021, a promoter was authorized to begin the construction of 24 houses on Isabelle Street. Another residential project was being considered for the construction of approximately 500 units on Rang Three behind Geddes Street. The municipality was informed by their engineers that before construction could begin, major improvements are necessary on the waste water system. The present council is currently working on a management plan for the waste water.

Municipal Council from 2017 to 2021

Mayor: Mr. Jacques Lapierre
Councillor 1: Mr. Kenneth Dolphin
Councillor 2: Mr. Jacques Guilbault
Councillor 3: Mr. Stephen Ovans
Councillor 4: Mrs Michelle Greig
Councillor 5: Mr. Thomas Vandor
Councillor 6: Mrs Chantal Laroche

Salaries for Council

In 2021, the base salaries were as follows
Mayor: 29 756 \$
Councillors : 56 198 \$ (total)

Expense Allowance (50% of the salary)
Mayor: 14 877 \$
Councillors: 28 100 \$

Results to the financial statements as at
December 31, 2021

Surplus for the year: \$688,456
Total assets: \$24,993,724
Total of surpluses, reserves and net investments in long-term assets \$16,241 756
**The surplus for the year is notably explained through the sale of a parcel of land, and the property transfer taxes which were higher than the revenu projected in the budget

Water pipe repair plan

In certain areas, the aging aqueduct system is in dire need of repair. In 2016, the firm, Aqua Data was mandated to prepare an intervention plan for the infrastructure of the piping network of the aqueduct, sewage and waste water. The current council has made this their priority, and plans to accomplish this major undertaking.

Library

Controversial subject !
Faced with the challenges of providing the necessary services of the library in a space that was no longer suitable (water leaks, mould, lack of space), the council made the decision to rent a new space.

Annual cost : 94 737\$

Drinking water and filtration plant

Construction of a new filtration plant near the wells 6 and 8 on Rang Dumas was underway. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs proposed an agreement, but this fell through because of Covid 19, and because the requirements from the Ministry of Environment changed. The council is now looking at other options since the contamination around these wells is a potential problem.

Traffic lights

The council has been collaborating with the Ministère des Transports to have traffic lights installed at the intersection of Route 138 and Route 201, the file is still being reviewed by the Ministère de Transports. After two meetings with the new council accompanied by the SQ and the Ministère des Transports. This file is ongoing.

Conclusion

Every council contributes to the growth of the Municipality based on their objectives. The current council has in mind the future of the Municipality, and therefore has decided to invest in the modernisation of the water and sewage infrastructures. The results may take some time, but sooner or later, we are convinced that the community will benefit from all of the improvements that have been realized over the years, and those to come, and this is what encourages us to keep looking ahead

Christine McAleer
mayor, council 2021-2025