

# MAYOR'S REPORT 2017

In the interest of transparency and good municipal management, I hereby report the Town of Stanstead's municipal revenues and expenses for the financial year ending December 31, 2017, despite the repeal of article 474.1 of the *Cities and Towns Act*.

## YEAR 2016

Financial statements prepared by the accounting firm Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton demonstrate revenues of **\$3,945,363** and expenses of **\$4,230,076** for the 2016 year. The cumulative net amount as of December 31, 2016 indicates a free surplus of **\$760,200** and a reserve surplus of **\$161,984**.

## YEAR 2017

For the year 2017, the Council adopted a budget of **\$4,237,414** and has set a general base tax rate of \$0.7228 per \$100 of assessment, a tax rate for businesses of \$1.0392 per \$100 of assessment, a tax rate for industries of \$1.1968 per \$100 of assessment, a tax rate for economic development set at \$0.015 per \$100 of assessment as well as a tax rate for the *Sûreté du Québec* services of \$0.0944 per \$100 of assessment.

We also had a three-year assessment roll deposit of \$177,094 (taxable value) for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018.

The year 2017 should end with a small surplus.

<b>Municipal Elected Representatives Remuneration in 2017</b>				
<b>Position</b>	<b>Basic Salary</b>	<b>Expense Allowance</b>	<b>Additional Remuneration (Planning Advisory Committee)</b>	<b>Additional Remuneration (RIGDSC)</b>
<b>Mayor</b>	\$16,328	\$8,164	\$25 per meeting	\$85 per meeting
<b>Councillor</b>	\$5,442	\$2,721		

\* Excepting the Planning Advisory Committee, these amounts are indexed upward according to the consumer price index established for each fiscal year by Statistics Canada.

### Mayor's Remuneration for RCM Meetings in 2017

	Salary per meeting	Expense Allowance
<b>Mayor's Council Meetings</b>	<b>\$148.62</b>	<b>\$74.77</b>
<b>Administration Committee</b>	<b>\$203.66</b>	<b>\$101.84</b>
<b>Socioeconomic Development Committee</b>	<b>\$132.12</b>	<b>\$66.40</b>
<b>Public Safety Committee</b>	<b>\$204.88</b>	<b>\$102.45</b>

### List of All Contracts Involving an Expenditure Exceeding \$2,000 with the Same Contracting Party If the Total of these Contracts Exceeds \$25,000 (including taxes)

Groupe Ultima	\$59,407	Municipal insurance
Construction DLP	\$131,196	Sidewalk repair
Transports Stanley Taylor 2015	\$62,430	Pick-up/transportation of garbage
Transport Arlie C. Fearon	\$63,808	Pick-up/transportation of recyclable materials
Transports Stanley Taylor 2015	\$38,876	Pick-up/transportation of organic waste
Produits chimiques CCC	\$82,053	Alum for sewage treatment plant
MRC de Memphrémagog	\$97,587	Municipal share
Régie intermunicipales de gestion des déchets solides de la région de Coaticook	\$88,946	Municipal share
La Capitale, Financial Group	\$35,938	Group insurance policy
Consultants S.M.	\$63,368	Engineering services
Services EXP	\$55,502	Engineering services
Monty Sylvestre	\$45,859	Legal services
Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton	\$28,076	Accounting services

Reemda Construction	\$154,411	Purchase and installation of an elevator
Ressourcerie des Frontières	\$33,971	Bulky waste collection
Aquatech	\$28,000	Drinking water management
Aquatech	\$42,000	Sewage management
ADSR	\$37,424	Sludge pumping, screening and dewatering
Cargill	\$53,341	Deicing salt
Pompes R. Fontaine	\$25,293	Maintenance and repair of pumping stations
Magog Mazda	\$26,063	CX-3 vehicle purchase
Placement McKenzie	\$25,552	Pension funds
Rénovations Danny Desharnais	\$33,630	Renovation of municipal buildings
Mécanique et soudure MF	\$69,061	Vehicle maintenance
Thermoshell	\$38,789	Fuel

## **YEAR 2018**

The following areas will be part of the Town's priorities for 2018:

- Job creation;
- Economic development (industrial and commercial);
- Incentives for new residential constructions;
- Visual improvement of the main arteries;
- Tourism development;
- Increase Stanstead's visibility.

We are very proud to have completed some important projects in 2017 such as developing the *Voie des pionniers* at the Stone Circle, installing two charging points for electric vehicles, putting into service, in partnership with Stanstead College, an elevator at Pat Burns Arena, granting two subventions: \$2,334,375 for upgrading the waste water treatment plants and \$1,884,515 for connecting a well to the municipal drinking water network.

For the coming year, we will pursue our efforts to complete the project to securing our drinking water system, but also to upgrade our waste water treatment plants. Moreover, we are also planning pavement rehabilitation work as well as upgrading the water and sewer system in Phelps Street zone.

In closing, I would like to wish you all a wonderful year 2018.

Your Mayor,

***Philippe Dutil***