

Grenville-sur-la-Rouge, July 15th, 2025.

Dear Councillors, Dear fellow citizens,

I am pleased to present my annual report on the highlights of the financial report and the external auditor's report for the year ended December 31, 2024, as required by section 176.2.2 of the Québec Municipal Code.

I would like to underline the efforts and hard work of the municipal team, which have enabled us to maintain our sound financial position.

In accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards, the financial statements were audited by an independent auditor, the firm FBL. The financial statements were tabled at the Council meeting of July 8, 2025 and presented by Councillor Denis Fillion.

Before presenting the main achievements of the year 2024, I would like to remind you of certain significant elements of the financial statements. These show operating revenues of \$11,973,226 and expenses of \$9,118,885. After accounting for tax reconciliations, the operating surplus for tax purposes amounts to \$1,402,979.

As at December 31, 2024, the Municipality had an unrestricted accumulated surplus of \$2,770,199, restricted operating surpluses of \$857,096, and financial reserves and reserved funds of \$557,316, for a total of \$4,184,611. Long-term debt amounted to \$7,719,598, a decrease of \$51,614 compared with year-end 2023.

The full report is available for consultation at the office and on municipality's website.

## Here is a brief overview of your Municipality's achievements during 2024:

- 1. Adoption of 457 resolutions by the Municipal Council;
- 2. Hiring of a new Director General;
- 3. New Finance Director hired;
- 4. Creation of the position of Assistant Clerk and Paralegal
- 5. Replacement of several culverts;

- 6. Start of pavement repairs on chemin Harrington, from chemin de la Rivière Rouge to Rivington Bridge;
- 7. Start of repairs to a section of chemin de la Rivière Rouge;
- 8. Reconstruction of Walker Road;
- 9. Received \$1.34 in Ministry grants for 2024 projects;
- 10. Nearly 200 km of roads cleared of snow;
- 11. Purchase of a new 10-wheel truck;
- 12. Our inspectors issued 282 permits and certificates in all categories;
- 13. Replacement of breathing apparatus;
- 14. 312 residential prevention visits by our Fire Safety Department;
- 15. 150 fire department interventions in all categories, including 35 in external mutual aid.

## Orientations for the 2025 budget and three-year capital expenditure program

The 2025 budget takes into account the need to maintain the quality of services to the population, and will focus on the following major projects:

- 1. Completion of pavement repairs on chemin Harrington, from chemin de la Rivière Rouge to Rivington Bridge;
- 2. Completion of pavement repairs on chemin de la Rivière Rouge;
- 3. Road work including blasting on Rawckliff road and Kilmar Road;
- 4. Repairs to a section of roadway on Kilmar Road near the 10th concession;
- 5. Repairs to a section of roadway on chemin Kilmar near rue Belvédère;
- 6. Replacement of aqueduct valves on rue des Érables;
- 7. Replacement of fire hydrants;
- 8. Several localized repairs and crack sealing.

I would like to thank the citizens of Grenville-sur-la-Rouge for their trust and participation in municipal life. Your concerns are our concerns, and we will continue to work tirelessly to ensure that Grenville-sur-la-Rouge remains a great place to live.

In conclusion, I would like to express my sincere thanks to my colleagues on the Municipal Council for their great involvement, as well as to the Town Manager, the management team and the employees for their constant commitment to serving our citizens.

I would also like to underline the commitment of all the volunteers who are involved in various committees or in the organization of sports, leisure or cultural activities. You are appreciated and a source of dynamism for our municipality.

I would also like to thank our MRC partners, mayors and employees, for their openness to concerted regional development, and our MNA, Madame Agnès Grondin, and her staff.

The Mayor