

**TOWN OF WOLSELEY
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 07, 2022**

The 49th regular meeting of Council of the Town of Wolseley, in the Province of Saskatchewan for the 2020-2024 term was held in the Council Chamber located at 610 Varennes Street on Wednesday September 07, 2022 at 7:00PM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Gerald Hill (GH)	Councillor Norman MacDonald (NM)
Councillor Tim Taylor (TT)	Councillor Ken Drever (KD)
Councillor Randy Quintyn (RQ)	Councillor Ron Lyke (RL)
CAO Candice Cieckiewicz (CC)	Councillor Susan Campbell (SC)

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Mayor GH called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

AGENDA

336/22 SC/CM that the Agenda be adopted as amended. **CARRIED**

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

337/22 GH/RQ to acknowledge Robert Schneider's 25-Years of Service to the Town of Wolseley and award with a \$1,500 Service Bonus. **CARRIED**

MINUTES

338/22 RQ/KD that the minutes of the regular meeting held August 17, 2022 be approved. **CARRIED**

ACCOUNTS

339/22 RQ/SC that the general accounts for ratification, cheque #'s 22157 to 22164 totaling \$9,093.79 be ratified. **CARRIED**

340/22 KD/RL that the general accounts for ratification, cheque #'s 22165 to 22171 totaling \$8,112.90 be ratified. **CARRIED**

341/22 RQ/TT that the general account for ratification, cheque # 22172 totaling \$1,500.00 be ratified. **CARRIED**

342/22 RL/KD that the general accounts for approval, cheque #'s 22173 to 22211 totaling \$50,514.02 be approved, with the exception of cheque # 22207. **CARRIED**

Councillor RQ declared a pecuniary interest and left the council meeting at 7:15PM.

343/22 SC/TT that cheque # 22207 payable to Wolseley Service Ltd. totaling \$573.79 be approved. **CARRIED**

Councillor RQ returned to the council meeting at 7:16PM.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Southeast Regional Library re: 2023 Public Library Open Hours: The Wolseley Library is happy with the current hours, and recommend status quo.

344/22 RQ/TT to continue with twenty (20) open hours per week for the Southeast Regional Library, Wolseley Branch for year 2023 for a cost of \$17,493.50. **CARRIED**

2. Remax Blue Chip Realty Update: For informational purposes, Shannon Dyke provided Council with a written report regarding bare lots the Town has listed through Remax. No movement on lots.
3. Laurie Stringer re: Town Hall/Opera House Contract Update: Correspondence received from Laurie Stringer indicating she will not be seeking renewal for the Town Hall/Opera House contractor agreement. Council discussed a long-term plan of the possibility to hire a full-time individual to fulfill other recreational departments.

345/22 GH/TT to advertise a one-year contract position for the Town Hall/Opera House, effective for January 2023.

CARRIED

346/22 KD/RQ to acknowledge Laurie Stringer’s communication stating she will not be seeking to renew the Town Hall/Opera House contract agreement.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION

1. Utilities Update: There were 19 Final Notice letters sent via registered mail. Seven accounts have paid in full. About seven were not signed for/picked up and they were returned to our office. One that was returned was supposed to go to Regina, but the others were local and were either delivered in person or taped with painter’s tape on their doors. Three accounts we have not heard a word from them. Seven people have made payment arrangements, and one acknowledged he is in arrears, plans to pay but has not given a date.

The total Utility Accounts Receivable is at approximately \$7,900.

The Q3 Utility Billing is scheduled to be sent out before the end of September for the period July 1st to September 30th, due October 31st. Administration will be preparing for this soon.

Town Council suggests following up with the three accounts that we have not heard from and let them know that Monday the water will be shut off due to non-payment.

2. TAXervice Update: The Town of Wolseley has received Consent from the Provincial Mediation Board (PMB) to complete proceedings to acquire title for 100 Gordon Street and 120 Front Street (same owner, corner lot and lot to the west). The Consent has been registered against the titles and the Thirty Day/Final Notice documents have been prepared by TAXervice and received by the Town Office for completion. The documents will be sent back to TAXervice so they may attend to service of the Thirty Day/Final Notice.

PMB’s Conditional Order states: *“Pursuant to Section 8 (1) (b) of The Provincial Mediation Board Act, and as a condition precedent to granting Consent herein under Section 7 (1) of the Act; **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the applicant pay to [title owner], a registered owner/s of the within described property, the balance remaining, if any, after the proceeds of the sale have been distributed in accordance with Section 33 of The Tax Enforcement Act. Dated at the City of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan, this 11th day of August, 2022.”*

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS FORUM

GH - Mayor GH suggests setting a speed limit when near playgrounds, suggest the same limit as school zones, 25 km/hr for Birch Street, Varennes Street and Claude Street. Traffic Bylaw would have to be reviewed and amended as appropriate.

- Horticulture Fundraiser BBQ scheduled for tomorrow from 11:30 to 1:30. The Town will supply picnic tables, barricades and trash cans for in front of Hometown Meats.

KD - Sportsplex: the sump is in place; overall project has slowed down as we wait for cement. Minor Hockey has another salesman coming to quote for an ice plant.

- Outdoor Rink: Public Works levelled the area and work is progressing there. A quote was received from Ennis Equipment to drill holes for the posts for the boards.

347/22 KD/RL to accept Ennis Equipment quotation and proceed with drilling holes at the Outdoor Rink for a cost of \$500 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED

- Wolseley Home Building Centre provided a quotation for a building to be used as a warm-up shack at the Outdoor Rink.

348/22 KD/RQ to accept quotation from Wolseley Home Building Centre for a building to be used as a warm-up shack for a cost of \$9,525.00 (taxes included).

CARRIED

- Councillor KD met with Half Diamond R Electric to discuss design for the lighting at the Outdoor Rink. Five new wooden posts have been ordered and will be staggered and should be sufficient lighting.
- Jubilee Court had a damaged tree and caused further concern so it was removed on the east end.
- Correspondence was received from Jim Zacaruk (Bridge Inspector) stating he was in town anyway and thought he would check if there were any signs of further deterioration at the Water Street Bridge. Given the current condition, he recommended that along with the weight restriction (3 tonnes), the Town may also want to restrict traffic to the middle so that the exterior girder on the north side is never loaded along with the exterior piles.

349/22 KD/SC to narrow Water Street Bridge to single lane traffic.

CARRIED

- in the meantime, put up barricades and communicate with public as to the reason, as it is a matter of public safety until we can secure funding for replacement. Perhaps something in the traffic bylaw regarding weight restrictions.

RL - Reminder to Public Works to paint a yellow stripe along the sidewalk at the north east intersection of Ouimet Street and Richmond Street.

- Three water leaks are occurring; one on north Sherbrooke (Tittle), one on east Water Street (Gwilliam) and one on Sherbrooke Downtown (Rexall). Repairs are arranged.
- Landfill Bins have been exchanged.

RQ - nothing to report.

NM - Event posters have been advertised for the Town Hall fundraiser. Forty (40) tickets have already been sold. Volunteers are in place, need some more to work the bar.

- The sign for the Randy Clark Legacy Project will be going up soon. They will be planning a 50/50 fundraiser.
- Councillor NM and Kim Weber will be meeting soon regarding the Wolseley 125 celebrations.

TT - Town Hall: projector has arrived. Audio Warehouse has been contacted for follow-up to speaker order.

- Beliveau Construction looked at the hardware components for the ceremonial doors. Cannot source parts locally as a different kind of hardware is required and will have to be outsourced. It was suggested to check with Trevor Barn as he may have information for someone to repair.
- Splash Park: the elementary school wants to implement a gardening program, and establish a new flower bed near the Beach Washrooms power pedestal. They will work in conjunction with the Horticulture. The flower bed would be approximately 12 x 6 x 1 and would be in place for spring 2023. We will have to look at option for water faucet accessibility to water the flower bed. Budget items would be required. The Town would provide the materials and location and the school would do the work of establishing the flower bed. Brenda Stringer is taking ownership of handling.
- Suggest have the Town Foreman look at topping up the Splash Park with sand in the fall. Need approximately 10 yards (one tandem load) to replace what has washed away.

SC - Library meeting was August 31st. They have had some changes over the summer. An assistant librarian was hired, Susan Lorenz, and she has been working since August 2nd, everything is going well. The Library Board is seeking new members.

- The book give-away at the Tourist Booth went over really well! The outdoor library box is supposed to be done soon, once completed they are looking for someone to install.
- The Library approached the RM about replacing current lighting with LED fixtures. This was completed.
- Wolseley Welcomes Ukraine meeting held last night. The new family will be moving in soon, they are waiting on a replacement furnace to get installed. There is a donation lunch, meet & greet happening at the Wolf Creek Friendship Centre on Monday September 12th from 11:00AM to 1:30PM.
- Mayor GH compliments the amazing community support with this endeavor. Thanks to everyone who was involved in any way shape or form to get this new family settled into our community.
- The next Tourism & Economic Development Committee meeting is Tuesday September 20th at 7:00PM.

GH - suggests administration touch base with the roofing contractor for the Town Hall/Opera House.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Pound/Pound Keeper: No update.
2. DED Survey Follow-ups: Council directs administration to bring a new update to the next meeting; if diseased trees are not removed, the Town will take the necessary action to have the diseased trees removed, and invoice the owner for the work completed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Water Treatment Plant Monthly Report for August 2022:

350/22 RQ/NM to acknowledge Water Treatment Plant Monthly Report for August 2022. **CARRIED**

- *Side note: Still waiting for motor for WTP generator.*

2. Land For Sale by Sealed Tender – Tender Review for 501 Willow Street: Four Tenders were received for the 501 Willow Street Property.

351/22 NM/SC to accept Philip Curtis Randles' bid for \$6,000 for 501 Willow Street. **CARRIED**

3. Land For Sale by Sealed Tender – Tender Review for 909 Front Street:

352/22 GH/RQ to accept Michael David McIvor's bid for \$1.00 for 909 Front Street. **DEFEATED**

353/22 GH/RL to list 909 Front Street for sale, asking \$10,000. **CARRIED**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Regular Meeting of Council, Wednesday September 21, 2022 at 7:00PM at Council Chamber.

ADJOURNMENT

354/22 KD that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50PM. **CARRIED**

Gerald Hill
Mayor

Candice Ciekiewicz
Chief Administrative Officer