

**TOWN OF WOLSELEY
MINUTES
JANUARY 17th, 2024**

The 84th 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 January 17th, 2024 at 7:00PM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Gerald Hill (GH)	Councillor Norman MacDonald (NM)
Councillor Ken Drever (KD)	Councillor Ron Lyke (RL)
Councillor Randy Quintyn (RQ)	Councillor Susan Campbell (SC)
Councillor Tim Taylor (TT)	
Interim CAO JoAnne Yates (JY)	

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor GH called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA:

015/24 **RL/NM THAT** the Agenda be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

MINUTES:

016/24 **SC/KD THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting held January 3rd, 2024 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

ACCOUNTS:

017/24 **SC/TT THAT** the general accounts for ratification, cheque #'s 23459 to 23464 totaling \$7,909.28 be ratified. **CARRIED**

018/24 **KD/RQ THAT** the general accounts for ratification, cheque #23465 totaling \$1,610.87 be ratified. **CARRIED**

019/24 **RL/RQ THAT** the general accounts for ratification, cheque #'s 23466 to 23471 totaling \$7,309.60 be ratified. **CARRIED**

019/24 **TT/RL THAT** the general accounts for approval, cheque #'s 23472 to 23503 totaling \$34,282.72 be approved. **CARRIED**

Councillor RQ declared a pecuniary interest and left the council meeting at 7:09PM

020/24 **RL/KD THAT** the general accounts for approval, cheque # 23504 totaling \$493.72 be approved. **CARRIED**

Councillor RQ returned to the council meeting at 7:11PM.

021/24 **GH/TT Moved** to approve the transfer to Reserves; \$10,000.00 to Protective Services Reserve Account #ending in 9836, \$10,000.00 to Rec and Cultural Services Reserve Account #ending in 9810 and \$60,000.00 to Transportation Services Reserve Account # ending in 9885 from General Account # ending in 9661. **CARRIED**

022/24 **KD/NM THAT** the Statement of Financial Activities detailed for the period ending December 31, 2023 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

COMMUNICATION:

1. South Central Transportation Planning Committee – News Letter 7 Membership
2. SHA – Response from Dan Drummond regarding Wolseley Memorial Hospital
3. Water Security Agency – Security at Water Treatment Plants.
4. SAMA – Notice of Annual Meeting

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION:

1. December 31, 2023 Bank Reconciliation:
2. Utility Update: The Fourth quarter (Q4) Update.
3. Property Tax Update. – January update.
4. U & K GreenHouse – Hanging Baskets for 2024
5. Grasslands News Group – Renewal of Subscriptions
6. Sask. Public Works Assoc. – 2024 Annual Conference.

023/24 **RQ/NM THAT** the bank reconciliation and notes for the period ending December 31st, 2023 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

024/24 **GH/NM** approves the purchase for 20 hanging baskets from U & K GreenHouse for \$105.00 each for a total of \$2,100.00 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED

025/24 **RQ/KD** approves the 2024 renewal of the Indian Head/Wolseley News and the Whitewood/Grenfell Herald Sun from Grasslands News Group in the amount of \$50.00 each for a total of \$100.00.

CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS FORUM:

- SC** - New Years Cabaret raised \$1,000.00 for the Randy Clark Legacy Project.
- I will have to miss the Public Library meeting on January 24, 2024 to attend the Town budget meeting.
- TT** - Meeting with Marty Happy regarding the signs needed at the Cemetery for the 2024 Budget.
- KD** - Presented the Financial Statements.

026/24 **KD/RL THAT** the Wolseley Sportsplex financial Statements for January 2024 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- Hockey Players and skaters are going onto the ice to early, before the Olympia is put away, the board has now put up signs asking to stay off the ice until the Olympia is off the ice and gates are closed. They also made signs for the dressing rooms reminding everyone to make sure rooms are clean and garbage is put in the waste baskets.
- The board would like the rental agreements changed to reflect cleaning after events and add Arrival time to the agreement.
- The board has purchased a new chest freezer to accommodate more storage needed in the booth.
- The board will be doing a Leap Year cash lottery fund raiser.
- A manual should be developed for the hall and arena on operation, that should be given to renters of the facilities.
- The power bill at the arena was lowered to help with the operation of the facility through covid, it should have ended, SaskPower just removed it in November, 2023.

027/24 **KD/RQ THAT** the Wolseley Sportsplex Rental Agreements Policy 03, Schedule C and Schedule D be updated to reflect cleaning after an event and arrival time be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- RL** - Rob has been flooding the outside rink, looking good.
- The Brine coolant line froze about 2 years ago, froze again. Did some recommended work on the line and it is thawed and working now.
 - There was a leak of the brine coolant, it is also fixed now.
- RQ** - Fire Board meeting was held on Monday night, Radio training was well attended, and a lot was learned about the new Radios.
- Discussion was held at the meeting to plan the hotdog sale the fire board will do at the February Family day event.
 - Work on the compression room should begin at the end of January.
- NM** - Wolseley Rec. Board is starting to plan events throughout the year.

- GH** - There will be a SHA meeting tomorrow at 10:00 am at the Hall for anyone that wants to attend.
- They have hired 2 more nurses one that is here already with her family coming in February or March, and another nurse starting the 1st of February with her family coming the end of February.
 - Who will be attending SUMA convention this year?
 - At the Economic Development/Tourism meeting on the 16th, Reg has been talking to Jason with Qu’Appelle Meats about re-opening the packing plant in Wolseley. We are still working on the development of a 4 to 8 housing unit and still in talks with the First Nations about opening a Truck Stop. The board is still looking into an off-lease dog park by the tourist booth.
 - There was a presentation on small nuclear power plants, and their development in Saskatchewan.
 - On Friday, January 19th, 2024 from noon to 1 pm there is a free webinar on Volunteer Recruitment for anyone that is interested. Put it on Wolseley in the know for anyone that may be interested in attending.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1, Engagement Letter for First Nations – Response to transfer station.

Administrator to respond to questions.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Cornerstone Credit Union – Revolving Line of Credit Agreement.

Councillors NM and TT declared a pecuniary interest and left the council meeting at 8:11PM

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SC/RQ authorizes the Mayor and Administrator to sign the Revolving Line of Credit Agreement with Cornerstone Credit Union for existing lines of credit, but updating Prime interest rate to 7.20%.

CARRIED

Councillors NM and TT returned to the council meeting at 8:15PM.

2. Wolseley Dance Club – Paint and fix floor.
3. 2024 Budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Council Meeting, Wed Feb. 7, 2024 @ 7:00PM, at the Council Chamber (610 Varennes Street).

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ADJOURNMENT:

RQ THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:33 PM.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer