

**TOWN OF WOLSELEY
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7th, 2024**

The 86th 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 February 7th, 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 Tim Taylor (TT)	
Interim CAO JoAnne Yates (JY)	

REGRETS:

Councillor Susan Campbell (SC)

CALL TO ORDER:

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

AGENDA:

030/24 **RQ/NM THAT** the Agenda be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

MINUTES:

031/24 **KD/RQ THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting held January 17th, 2024 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

032/24 **RQ/TT THAT** the minutes of the closed special budget meeting held January 24th, 2024 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

ACCOUNTS:

033/24 **RL/RQ THAT** the general accounts for ratification, cheque #'s 23506 to 23511 totaling \$7,285.74 be ratified. **CARRIED**

034/24 **RL/RQ THAT** the electronic payment #1517712 for PVSD December remit, totaling \$23,009.53 be ratified. **CARRIED**

035/24 **KD/NM THAT** the general accounts for approval, cheque #'s 23512 to 23543 totaling \$42,534.62 be approved. **CARRIED**

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

036/24 **RL/KD THAT** the general accounts for approval, cheque # 23544 totaling \$313.14 be approved. **CARRIED**

Councillor RQ returned to the council meeting at 7:17PM.

COMMUNICATION:

1. Living tree Environmental – 2024 DED Survey price quote.
2. Vance Weber – CKRM Radio interview
3. January Water Report

037/24 **GH/NM THAT** the January 2024 Water Report be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

4. Indian Head/Montmartre and Area RCMP – January Report.
5. Pinter & Associates – Invitation to Join 25-year Celebration.
6. Provincial Pothole & Paving – 2024 Asphalt crack sealing estimate.
7. Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency – Cost recovery framework.
8. Sportsplex – Financials and Bylaw 02-2019 changes.

038/24 **RL/RQ THAT** the Estimate given by Provincial Pothole & Paving for \$23,161.00 plus applicable taxes for the 2024 year be approved. **CARRIED**

039/24 **KD/RL THAT** the Wolseley Sportsplex financial statement for January be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

040/24 **KD/NM THAT** the Appendix A of Bylaw 02-2019 be updated to read: Subsection 3(d) **change** “August” to “June”, Subsection 3(e) change “case of Councillors who may be appointed repeatedly” to “in the event that no suitable replacement volunteers for the Board are available then Council may reappoint them to the board. Councillors may be appointed repeatedly”. Subsection 4(a) **change** “September” to “July”. And Subsection 11(a) **change** “September 1 to August 31” to “August 1 to July 31”.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION:

1. Utility Update: The Fourth quarter (Q4) Update.
2. Property Tax Update. – February update.
3. Josh Godlien – Career Work Exploration – Career Planning.
4. 2023 Audit – February 5, 2024.

041/24 **RQ/NM THAT** the Town of Wolseley participate in Wolseley High School Career & Work Exploration 30 and that the Administrator is to talk to the town foremen and get more information from the high school.

CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS FORUM:

TT - Damage on the stage floor at the Old Town/Opera House has been repaired by Joel Beliveau and looks great.

KD - Wi-Fi at the Rink has a private connection dedicated for the debit machine and the Square machine is now working great.
 - Elevator stalled on the weekend and called the repairman and is now working.
 - I did put up signs to be patient in the elevator.
 - Minor hockey day was a success.
 - There was a Sportsplex board meeting this week and discussions were held on the following;
 - Hockeyville is coming along.
 - The rink needs netting where the spectators sit, a quote was given in the amount of approximately \$3,500.00 plus applicable taxes.
 - Leap Year Lottery tickets are now for sale.
 - Today was the carbon audit at the Sportsplex and tomorrow is the curling rink.
 - Blake gave a quote of approximately \$4,700.00 for a new digital sound system and the board is inquiring if the town will pay 1/2.

RL - Ice plant low pressure switch is changed and now working.
 - The flags on the north side of the spillway need to be changed, the cadets need to be contacted.

RQ - I was contacted by the contractor and they will start on the room at the fire hall tomorrow or Friday.

NM - Wolseley 125 is now over, the \$4,200.00 raised will be given to the Rec. board to pay it forward to another group for start up and hopefully they will continue with the pay it forward to other groups
 - At the Horticultural meeting they talked about April 22nd, 2024 for the community cleanup day.
 - The flowers for the hanging baskets have been ordered and if the public works department can take over 20 baskets to U & K Greenhouse.
 - The board is looking to tackle another project this year.
 - The Rec. Board is still going ahead with February 19th family day no matter the weather. They arena is available if the outdoor rink cannot be used.
 - Still working on the Snow Removal Bylaw.

GH - At the last SHA meeting they announced that the Wolseley Hospital will be opening on February 26th, 2024 to 5 days, Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.
 - There is another SHA meeting planned for February 15th, 2024 at 10:30 am in the Hall.
 - The air exchange in the hospital is being changed, all new windows have been tentatively been approved once the SHA budget is approved, likely 4-6 weeks.

- The Wolseley Hospital is slated to open fully with 24-hour service Late summer or early fall. Likely in September.
- Staffing at the hospital is coming along, there are now 11 nurses, housing is the only foreseen problem.
- I talked to the CEO of C & F Consulting and they are investing approximately 20 million in the old dirt plant just outside of town for a carbon capturing plant. Once operational looking at employing 20 people for the community and surrounding communities.
- Anyone wishing to know more about the company please visit their website, c&fconsulting.ca.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. 2024 Budget – discussion was held on budget.
2. Access Communications-Updated quote – Administer is to get more information.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SaskPower & SaskTel:

042/24 RQ/RL authorizes the Mayor to sign the Joint use Utility Easement Agreement with SaskPower and SaskTel for a Right-of-Way on surface parcels 120913466, 120913398, 20913400 and 120913411.

CARRIED

2. SaskPower – Equipment installation for Conduit installed by SaskTel:

043/24 RQ/RL moves that council has reviewed the request by SaskPower regarding the installations of Conduits by SaskTel and have no concerns or objections to the project.

CARRIED

3. Wolseley Dance Club:

044/24 RQ/TT THAT the Town of Wolseley council approve a \$100.00 donation to the Wolseley Dance Club for their Annual Spring Competition.

CARRIED

4. Southeast Transportation Planning Committee:

045/24 GH/TT approves the membership renewal to the Southeast Transportation Planning Committee for the amount of \$427.13.

CARRIED

5. SUMA Convention & Tradeshow: Tabled to next meeting.

6. National Oral Health Month/National Dental Hygienists:

046/24 KD/RL approves the request to support the National Oral Health Month/National Dental Hygienists Week in April to light up the Old Town Hall/Opera House in purple.

CARRIED

7. 2024 CIB National Edition – Registration

8. Southern Saskatchewan – 2024 Media Kit. Tabled to next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

047/24 RQ/TT THAT Council moves into a Closed Session at 9:05 PM pursuant to Section 16 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss the following:

- Sportsplex Planning.

Parties Present: Mayor GH, Councillors TT, KD, RL, RQ, NM and Chief Administrative Officer JY

CARRIED

048/24 RQ/RL THAT Council moves out of a Closed Session and reopens the regular meeting at 9:30PM

Parties Present: Mayor GH, Councillors TT, KD, RL, RQ, NM and Chief Administrative Officer JY

CARRIED

049/24 GH/RQ moves to review the planning process for the Sportsplex.

CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Council Meeting, Wed Feb. 21, 2024 @ 7:00PM, at the Council Chamber (610 Varennes Street).

ADJOURNMENT:

050/24 KD THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:35 PM.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer