

TOWN OF WOLSELEY
REGULAR MINUTES
JULY 2nd, 2025

The 13th regular meeting of Council of the Town of Wolseley, in the Province of Saskatchewan for the 2024-2028 term was held in the Town Hall/Opera House located at 510 Varennes Street on Wednesday July 2, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Gerald Hill (GH)	Councillor Reg Howard (RH)
Deputy Mayor Tim Taylor (TT)	Councillor Angie Robertson (AR)
Councillor Isabel Gagné (IG)	
Councillor Norman MacDonald (NM)	
CAO JoAnne Yates (JY)	

Electronically: Councillor Susan Campbell (SC)

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor GH called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm.

AGENDA:

271/25 TT/NM THAT the Agenda be adopted as Presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

272/25 NM/RH THAT the minutes from the Regular Meeting June 18, 2025, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

CONSENT OF AGENDA:

273/25 TT/RH THAT Council reads through each item in the Consent Agenda.

CARRIED

ACCOUNTS:

274/25 NM/RH THAT the Payroll and Regular accounts for ratification and approval Cheque 's 25340 to 25356 totaling; \$27,265.09 approved and filed as presented.

CARRIED

275/25 TT/SC THAT the regular accounts for approval Cheque 's 25357 to 25390 totaling; \$64,139.43 approved and filed as presented.

CARRIED

276/25 RH/GH THAT the Monthly water report from June 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION:

1. **JUNE UTLITY UPDATE:**

The Utilities 2nd quarter bills have all been sent. We will be sending letters over 90 days this week.

		July 1st
Current:	\$ 0	\$83,144.34
31-60 Days	\$- 2,311.02	\$
61-90 Days	\$15,661.26	\$-426.78
Over 90 Days:	<u>\$ 5,597.62</u>	<u>\$19,783.74</u>
	<u>\$18,947.86</u>	<u>\$102,501.30</u>

2. **PROPERTY TAX UPDATE:**

Property tax notices were sent out in the last week of July.

Current:	\$873,945.22
Arrears:	<u>\$ 43,422.32</u>
	<u>\$917,367.54</u>

3. **FOUNTIAN:**

The fountain has been installed, but it is not the one we had ordered. There are no lights, we are still waiting to hear if the fountain can be exchanged.

4.

PUBLIC WORKS SIGN ON BUILDING:

Mayor GH declared a conflict of interest and stepped out of the at 7:30 PM meeting and Deputy Mayor TT sat as chair.

277/25

RH/TT THAT the quote given by Sleek Advertising Ltd. accepted in the amount of \$1,088.99 taxes included for the replacement sign at the Public Works building.

CARRIED

Mayor GH returned to the meeting at 7:35 PM and resumed as chair.

5. **TOWN HALL/OPERA HOUSE FLOORING:**

Shamrock flooring has completed the floor at the Town Hall/Opera house attached the invoice.

He has some concerns about the cleaning of the floor, I will be talking to Minglee about, he is using too much water on the floor, and he is not vacuuming the floor properly.

6. **FOREMAN'S REPORT:**

Shelbey and Dallas are now on full-time; they are cutting grass and painting hydrants; Tim and Garth are working at the Sportsplex completing the bleachers.

7. **PUBLIC WORK'S TRAINING:**

278/25

RH/TT THAT the full-time Public Works staff take the Chain Saw training course offered on Tuesday August 19th, 2025, though Southeast College and shared with the R.M. of Wolseley for approximately \$270.00 per person.

CARRIED

279/25

GH/RH MOVES to approve the administration report as presented.

CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS' FORUM:

TT – Councillor NM and I attended the Fire Board meeting with the Reeve present also. The board is concerned with the Wolseley Rescue van; it is completely worn out and is only used to transport firefighters to and from fires. They would like to replace the unit and would like to move on to it sooner than later. The R.M. has committed \$25,000.00 of the approximately \$50,000.00 needed to replace the unit. The board would like the same amount committed to from the Town.

280/25

NM/RH THAT the Town of Wolseley Council commit to \$25,000.00 for their ½ of the cost to replace the Rescue Van with a Rapid Response vehicle for use at the Wolseley Fire Department.

CARRIED

Their second concern is creating a capital plan in place to replace in the future the Fire Truck.

Their third concern is the retention of volunteer firefighters and what type of policy and plan can be implemented to retain volunteers.

IG – There have been some concerns that there are no hanging baskets the last block of Sherbrooke Street.

I would like the Council Procedures Bylaw to be reviewed and updated to be accommodated when the Council's meeting package should be sent out.

RH – I have brought some samples of colours for the Public Work's shop for council to look at, the colour picked is Grey Stone EX329, 2010 satin.

281/25

RH/NM THAT the quote given by Wolseley Home Building Centre for 6 picnic tables in the amount of \$316.87 each for a total of \$1,901.22 including taxes be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

The switch for the dehumidifier at the Sportsplex is now in and will be installed if not already installed.

AR – I would like the town to enroll in the Fine Options Program (she was informed that the town already is enrolled).

The flower pots are filling in nicely.

I am very disappointed with the CAO that the meeting package was sent out late, she is a salaried employee and if behind should stay late to catch up. This is what I do as a salaried employee (She was informed that the CAO is a contracted position not a salaried position and that it is to cover the town from paying overtime due to the 2 late meetings per month and if she chooses to stay after hours, there is no overtime).

282/25

AR/GH THAT the Councillor Procedure Bylaw be amended to read; the council meeting package has a cut off on Friday at 5:00 pm before the next Council Meeting and any additions must be received before Monday at 5:00 pm of the week of the Council Meeting.

DEFEATED

The CAO was asked to bring the Council Procedures bylaw and solution to the next meeting.

NM – I have touched base with the Dance Club; they are going to purchase a dance floor to lay over the stage for practices, They have no funding to contribute towards a new floor.

Again, I would like us to look at the Town Hall/Opera House rental contract to revise our policy for renting to community-based clubs.

SC – I have been looking at prices for trash cans, they are quite expensive, I found some on Amazon from \$89.00 to 100.00.

283/25

SC/RH THAT 2 Suncoast Outdoor trash cans from Amazon be ordered with for approximately \$200.00 for both.

CARRIED

I was wondering if we received any quotes for the trees that need to be removed from Splash park. Also, the eaves troughs that need to be put on the building at the splash park.

GH – I was wondering what the policy for unsightly yards. We also need to get the trees that are marked removed as soon as possible. The CAO is to send out Orders to Remedy.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**1. 2025 BUDGET:**

The budget is to remain open.

2. WOLSELEY DANCE CLUB RENTAL FEES:

284/25

NM/TT MOVES to approve the Wolseley Dance Club's request as follows: \$100.00 for the first rental day of the week and \$50.00 for additional days following within the week, \$415.00 for recital and competition weekends beginning on September 1st, 2025, through to May 8th, 2026.

CARRIED**3. WOLSELEY LAGOON – Sludge Survey:**

Tabled to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:**1. LIVING TREES ENVIRONMENT – Dutch Elm disease survey:**

The foreman is to check on the trees and stumps identified in the survey and Public works is to remove them or get prices from contractors to remove them. Report back.

2. BLAIR KIDD – SPEEDING VEHICLES:

The CAO is to contact the RCMP in Indian Head and inquire about the Black Cat Program. This program will collect data and give recommendation of what steps can be taken.

3. JOAN KERPENSKI – LETTER OF CONCERN:

Ask Jamie St. James to give a quote on droning to see if there are any obstructions in the eaves. Have the foreman go over and report back recommendations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Council Meeting, Wed. July 16th, 2025, pm, at the Town Hall/Opera House (510 Varennes Street).

ADJOURNMENT:

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AR THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 PM.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer