TOWN OF WOLSELEY REGULAR MINUTES AUGUST 6TH, 2025

The 15th 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 August 6, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT

Mayor Gerald Hill (GH)

Councilor Susan Campbell (SC)

Councilor Isabel Gagné (IG)

Councilor Norman MacDonald (NM)

CAO JoAnne Yates (JY)

Councilor Reg Howard (RH)

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Councilor Angie Robertson (AR)

REGRETS: Deputy Mayor Tim Taylor (TT

CALL TO ORDER:

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

AGENDA:

SC/NM THAT the Agenda be adopted as Presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

305/25

AR/IG THAT the minutes from the Regular Meeting July 16, 2025, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

CONSENT OF AGENDA:

RH/IG THAT the Payroll Accounts for Ratification Ch.#25435 to 25440 in the amount of \$8,942.84, General Accounts for Ratification Ch.#25425 to #25447 in the amount of \$16,211.55 and Accounts for Approval Ch.#25448 to #25478 in the amount of \$84,886.06, also, PVSD Other #2037948 for Ratification in the amount of \$131,248.98 be ratified and all communication as presented to be filled.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION:

1. MAY UTILITY UPDATE:

The Utilities 2nd quarter Utility Bills have gone out. As of July 30, 2025. Past due letter will be sent out to any arrears that do not have an agreement in place.

Current: \$31,294.11 31-60 Days \$ 2.22 61-90 Days \$ -416.62 Over 90 Days: \$12,009.28 \$42,888.99

2. **PROPERTY TAX UPDATE:**

Current: \$584,946.06 Arrears: \$49,640.71 Total \$640,873.82

3. PUBLIC WORKS SIGN ON BUILDING:

The sign for the building is complete and we are just waiting for the building to be painted.

TREE REMOVAL:

4. The property on 200 Richmond Street has been cleaned up and the Elm trees that had Dutch Elm Disease are cleaned up and the stumps removed. I have kept track of the staff's hours and equipment and will bill the owner, just waiting for the dump fees.

WASTE BINS:

5. We have ordered 2 waste bins from Amazon, I am not sure what is going on with Amazon, but they are just saying they will notify us by email with estimated delivery time.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

- 6. We met with Rob Clarke on July 18th about Risk Management, we got a lot of good information, and I have begun the spread sheets and hope to have them for your next meeting.
- 7. **Foreman's Report**: Rob has been away this week, and Tim has been doing a great job. They have been busy cutting grass and cleaning up trees. The Sportsplex is almost done, just waiting for the bolts ordered to put up the benches.

The weeds at the Tourist Booth have been cleaned up, the painting of the shed will be done once grass cutting is caught up. Garth has begun doing sidewalks, the one by the high school has been poured and completed.

8. Financial Statements:

Attached is the Financial Statement for July 2025 and are Financial Statement that I broke down for Public Works and Water & Sewer, this is to discuss if you want this very month.

9. Pest Control Officer at the Golf Course:

Tim has talked to the Golf Course Board, and they have no problem with the Town appointing Joe Karakochuk as a Pest Control Officer at the Golf Course.

DELEGETS:

NM/AR MOVES to hear Shelley Thoen-Chaykoski from TC Consulting at 7:15 pm, electronically.

CARRIED

Discussion was held on the Wolseley Cultural Plan; the next step is the community engagement. A Public meeting will be held on September 24, 2025, at the Town Hall/ Opera House at 7:00 pm.

Shelly Thoen-Chaykoski left the meeting at 7:50 pm and did not return.

307/25 IG/NM MOVES to hear Trevor Klock, Scantron (Roy & Sons) at 7:55 pm.

CARRIED

Discussion was held on the Wolseley Lagoon and the quote given to dredge the Lagoon.

Trevor Klock left the meeting at 8:19 pm and did not return.

RH/IG MOVES to approve the July 2025 Statement of Financial Activities as presented.

CARRIED

IG/SC MOVES to approve the Administrative Report as presented.

CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCILORS' FORUM:

NM – My recommendation for the stage floor at the Town Hall/Opera House, would be to have it repaired this year, the Dance Club will by purchasing mats to place

down on the stage for tap dancing, lets see if it makes a difference. I would like to see a thicker, better sealant after the floor is fixed and a policy to take pictures before the dance season and after.

To call Joel Beliveau to repair the stage floor.

I had a meeting at lunch with a company named Memory K PR, that I have been trying to get together since SUMA, I will have a presentation later. The program will tie into our Economic and Tourism, using QR codes.

The Sub-committee for Human Resources met yesterday and we have recommendation for hiring the new CDC. Rock the Rink is just around the corner, and they are looking for volunteers. The is a meeting for Dragged out tomorrow, we have sold 5 tables, so it is moving forward on September 20th, 2025.

IG – Looking at Truth and Reconciliation, we can look at the TRC 94 call for action to look at call to action, they are relevant to Municipalities.

AR – I would like to discuss the Bathroom facility at the Courthouse; I have been approached about moving it by some ratepayers. My recommendation is to move it to the Tourist Booth. Also, the bathroom that is at the ball diamonds could be moved also at the tourist booth.

RH – Update on the rink, the square payment, Brandon will be contacting the office on how to change that. A big thanks to Public Works on the fantastic job they did in the ring this summer. The pilot light on the stove keeps going out, that needs to be looked at. Eaves and down spout are still a problem.

SC- The last we have heard from Marty Happy he was waiting for a calm day to paint the sign, if we could get an update on where he is. At Splash park we have a leak in the mechanical room, we had Mr. Ts was out and is getting prices for the parts from the supplier.

GH – If administration could check on the ETA on the bridge inspection report from Zacaruk Consulting and the grant application on the Courthouse. JAVA was out and completed the video of the town, it was a bit smokey, but they did get some very good pictures and will be making a promotional video of the town. SUMA Road, Show, regional meeting key points that came out of the meetings are need for more infrastructure funding, need for housing solutions, including affordable housing and housing for specialized workers retaining health care workers, Bylaw officers, coordinating fire services including Library systems, removing Dutch elm trees, and public safety priorities, including RCMP staffing issues. There is a regional report if you want to grab the link and take a look.

We have tentatively booked a track hoe to do curbing. In addition to that we got a quote for a lift to replace the flag pole tat the hall for \$1,600.00/day.

310/25 GH/SC THAT the Town of Wolseley Council approve to rent a lift from Firefly Rentals in the amount of \$1,600.00 plus applicable taxes to repair the flag pole at the Town Hall/Opera House and the Sportsplex eaves troughs time permitted.

CARRIED

311/25 GH/RH THAT the Town of Wolseley Council approves the quote given from Flaman's in the amount of \$8,430.45 taxes included for a water skid for the new rapid response truck.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **2025 BUDGET:**

The budget is to remain open.

2. WOLSELEY LAGOON – Sludge Survey: Tabled to next meeting.

3. Bylaw 07-2025 to amend Council Procedures Bylaw:

Introduction and Reading:

AR/NM THAT Bylaw Number 07-2025 being "A Bylaw to Amend The Council Procedure Bylaw Number 03-2016" be introduced and read for the first time.

CARRIED

Second Reading:

IG/RH THAT Bylaw Number 07-2025 being "A Bylaw to Amend the Council Procedure Bylaw Number 03-2016"; be now read for the second time.

CARRIED

AR/SC THAT WHEREAS all members of Council present at this meeting; **THAT** Council unanimously agree to the third reading of Bylaw Number 07-2025.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Third and final Reading:

SC/RH THAT Bylaw Number 07-2025 having been read a third time, annexed hereto, and forming part of these minutes, be adopted and authenticated by the Mayor and CAO.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

1. WATER SECURITY – CLEARING THE PATH:

The CAO applied for the Cleaning the Path Grant through Water Security to clear the beaver dams at the Campground.

2. PEST CONTROL OFFICER:

316/25 GH/SC MOVES to appoint Joe Karakochuk as pest control officer for the Wolseley Golf Course.

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

SC/NM THAT Council moves into a Closed Session at 10:09 PM pursuant to Section 16 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss the following:

- Strategic Planning
- Human Resources

Parties Present: Mayor GH, Councilor SC, IG, NM, RH, AR, and Chief Administrative Officer JY.

CARRIED

318/25 SC/AR THAT Council moves out of a Closed Session and reopens the regular meeting at 11:25 PM

Parties Present: Mayor GH, Councilor SC, NM, IG, RH, AR and Chief Administrative Officer JY.

CARRIED

During the Closed Session Councilor IG declared a conflict of interest before discussion of Human Resources and left the meeting at 11:13 pm and did not return.

EXTEND THE MEETING:

319/25 GH/NM MOVES to extend the Council meeting past the allotted time.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION:

320/25 SC/NM MOVES to continue with the Strategic Planning and Human Resources.

CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Council Meeting, Wed. August 20th, 2025, pm, at the Town Hall/Opera House (510 Varennes Street).

ADJOURNMENT:

NM THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11.27 PM.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer

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Mayor