

TOWN OF WOLSELEY
REGULAR MINUTES
April 2nd, 2025

The 7th, 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 April 2, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT:

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

REGRETS:

CALL TO ORDER:

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

AGENDA:

137/25 **RH/IG THAT** the Agenda be adopted as Presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATES:

7:05 pm – JJ Galiardi, Steel River Group Electronically

138/25 **RH/NM MOVES THAT** the Town of Wolseley Council hereby hears JJ Galiardi from Steel River Group.

CARRIED

At 8:30 pm JJ Galardi left the meeting and did not return.

MINUTES:

139/25 **SC/TT THAT** the minutes from the Regular Meeting April 2, 2025, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

CONSENT OF AGENDA:

ACCOUNTS:

140/25 **IG/SC THAT** with the exception of Cheque # 25119 to 25129 the General accounts for ratification and approval; Cheque 's # 25130 to 25166 totaling \$\$52,210.62 be approved, and all Communications be approved and filed as presented.

CARRIED

141/25 **RH/SC THAT** Cheque # 25119 to 25129; totaling \$\$38,984.83 be ratified.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION:

1. **UTILITY UPDATE:**

Utility Bills for the 1st quarter from January 1st to March 31st, 2025, have been mailed. This month we will be looking at arrears for disconnection on overdue accounts.

The Utility Accounts Receivable are approximately \$76,823.85.

Current, 6,663.97 61-90 days

Over 90 days \$7,852.57 totaling \$91,340.39.

2. **PUBLIC WORKS – PAY INCREASE SCHEDULE:**

Public Works Completed the Training, HR committee will be reviewing the Public Works Schedule and will have recommendations.

3. **TD BANK BUILDING – UPDATE:**

If I did not hear from the TD Bank, I will contact them at the end of the week.

4. **WATER SECURITY AGENCY:**

We have received both permits to clean the spillway and renewed the permit to remove vegetation in and adjacent to Adair Creek Reservoir (Fairly Lake).

5. **MCDUGALL AUCTIONS:**

The commission is 8%, we can put on a reserve bid on any of the equipment. They will come out and take pictures and sell the equipment on line, which means anyone wishing to come see the equipment would have to make arrangement with PW. It would be much better if the equipment is in McDougall’s yard, more exposure.

142/25

GH/SC THAT the Town of Wolseley Council Authorizes the CAO to sign an agreement with McDougall Auctions and send the JD Skid Steer, Wood Chipper and Hotsey Pressure Washer to the Auction.

CARRIED

6. **PURGATORY ADVENTURES CONTRACT:**

Contract giving them permission to be at the buildings, take motion pictures etc. They are also asking anyone that wishes to join them or tell stories of their experiences at the Courthouse. are welcome.

143/25

GH/RH THAT the Town of Wolseley Council hereby Authorizes the CAO to the sign the permission agreement with Purgatory Adventures.

CARRIED

7. **TOURIST BOOTH CONTRACT:**

The Human Resource Committee looked at the candidates and will recommend the person to hire.

8. **SASKPOWER ABANDON LINES:**

Rob has been talking to SaskPower regarding finding abandoned lines, they will need to dig up a section of our new road, SaskPower will pay for all the damage done.

144/25

RH/IG THAT the Administrator’s report be accepted as read.

CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS’ FORUM:

NM – I attended the RCMP meeting on March 24, 2025 @ 7:00 pm in Indian Head, SK, there was discussion on policing and crime. File Hills First Nations Police Service has assisted the RCMP.

It was also discussed that the Indian Head RCMP are running at about ½ capacity, there should be 10 officers to be full capacity and that the Regina City Police have also assisted on the Highway. There was some discussion about the new Saskatchewan Marshals Service.

I also attended the SHA session at the Wolseley Town Hall/Opera House on March 25, 2025, it was a good session with discussions on staffing and Sask. Telehealth.

IG – Nothing to report at this time, other than I will be attending the Economic and Development meeting on April 22, 2025. Also, congratulations to the Wolseley Mustangs on their win and shout out to all the volunteers.

AR - Would like everyone to look at the SUMA resolution that will be voted at the convention. There are some important ones that need to be discussed.

TT – I would like to remind everyone that the Mainline Music Festival starts next week and runs for 4 days.

I would like to request on behalf of the Mainline Music Festival that the Town Hall/Opera House rental was quoted as the old price for the festival, when it was rented in 2024 with the old rates for 2025.

Councillor TT declared a conflict of interest at 8:35 pm and left the meeting.

- 145/25** **NM/RH THAT** the Town of Wolseley Council honors the old rental rate for the Town of Wolseley Town Hall/Opera House due to the Mainline Music Festival, was quoted and booked before the new rates took effect.

CARRIED

Councillor TT returned to the meeting at 8:42 pm.

SC – Nothing to report at this time.

RH – Congratulations to the Wolseley Mustangs for their win. The Sportsplex is now shut down and the ice is off, there will be a meeting on Monday night.

GH – There will be a SHA meeting at the Wolseley Town Hall/Opera House on April 10, 2025, at 10:30 am.

I would like Council to consider to Planning meetings for 3-year Strategic Planning, we need to start planning future projects that are needed. I would like to call a Planning meeting on May 1st, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the Wolseley Town Hall/Opera House in the basement. It will be a closed meeting to discuss Planning and Development.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Town Property- 73.77 acres NE 18-16-09-W2(Blk/Par E, Plan 101221669 Ext.21
Postponed until Council can look at the land.
2. Bylaw No. 02-2025 amending Bylaw No. 03-2014 Regulating outdoor fires.

Introduction and Reading:

- 146/25** **GH/TT THAT** Bylaw Number 02-2025 being “A Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No. 03-2014 to regulate backyard fire pit burning, being read for the first time.

CARRIED

Second Reading:

- 146/25** **NM/IG THAT** Bylaw Number 02-2025 being “A Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No. 03-2014.”; Being a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 03-2014, being a Bylaw to regulate backyard fire pit burning be now read for the second time.

CARRIED

Mayor GH called a recess at 9:23 pm and returned at 9:28 pm.

3. Wolseley’s Cultural Compass: Mapping Out a Future for Community \$5,000.00 approved (2nd Phase)
4. Quote For Door replacement at the Sportsplex.

- 147/25** **RH/NM THAT** Town of Wolseley Council approves the quote given by Beliveau Construction to replace the outside doors at the Wolseley Sportsplex in the amount of \$6,438.00 taxes included.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

- 148/25** 1. Ministry of Government Relations – 2025 Education Property Tax Mill Rates:
AR/SC THAT the Town of Wolseley Council adopts the 2025 Education Property Tax Mill Rates as follows: Agricultural Property – 1.07 mills, Residential Property – 4.27 mills, Commercial/Industrial Property – 6.37 mills and Resource Property – 7.49 mills.

CARRIED

- 149/25** 2. CLHbid.com – Advertising along Highway:
GH/SC THAT Town of Wolseley Council approves the request by CLHbid.com to advertise along the highway and authorizes the CAO to sign the rent agreement, the advertising is to be placed in the far west corner of Blk/Par D, Plan 10130241, Ext. 124, rent is approved at \$2,800.00 per year.

CARRIED

150/25 4. Randy Clark Legacy Project Committee - Request:
IG/SC THAT the Town of Wolseley Council approves the request from Randy Clark Legacy Project Committee to place a dog feces disposal unit and attached garbage can along Water Street.

CARRIED

5. DC Asphalt Repair:
Tabled

151/25 **CLOSED SESSION:**
SC/TT THAT Council moves into a Closed Session at 9:41 PM pursuant to Section 16 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss the following:

- Human Resources

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

CARRIED

152/25 **SC/TT THAT** Council moves out of a Closed Session and reopens the regular meeting at 10:10 PM

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

CARRIED

Councillor RH declared a conflict of interest at 10:15 pm and left the meeting.

153/25 Tourist Booth Contract:
NM/SC THAT the Town of Wolseley Council Hires Donna Taylor for the Tourist Booth for \$2,500.00/per month beginning on May12th, 2025 to weather permitting September 5th, 2025.

CARRIED

154/25 **TT/IG THAT** the Town of Wolseley Council authorizes the CAO to contact the previous applicants that applied for the Community Development Coordinator to see if any are still interested.

CARRIED

155/25 **GH/SC THAT** the Town of Wolseley Council authorizes the CAO to advertise for Summer help for the Public Works Department in the Wolseley Bulletin.

CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Next Council Meeting, Wed. April 23rd, 2025, 7:00 pm, at the Town Hall/Opera House (510 Varennes Street).

156/25 **ADJOURNMENT:**
AR THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:35 PM.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer