

**TOWN OF WOLSELEY  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 21, 2022**

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The 56<sup>th</sup> 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 December 21, 2022 at 7:00PM.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Gerald Hill (GH)	Councillor Norman MacDonald (NM)
Councillor Tim Taylor (TT)	Councillor Ron Lyke (RL)
Councillor Randy Quintyn (RQ)	Councillor Ken Drever (KD)
CAO Candice Cieckiewicz (CC)	

**ABSENT:**

Councillor Susan Campbell (SC)

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**AGENDA**

464/22 RQ/RL that the Agenda be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

465/22 KD/NM that the minutes of the regular meeting held December 7, 2022 be approved.

**CARRIED**

**ACCOUNTS**

466/22 RQ/RL that the general accounts for ratification, cheque #'s 22453 to 22459 totaling \$8,341.62 be ratified.

**CARRIED**

467/22 RQ/NM that the general accounts for approval, cheque #'s 22460 to 22491 totaling \$49,250.82 be approved, with the exception of cheque # 22470.

**CARRIED**

*Councillor RL declared a pecuniary interest and left the council meeting at 7:10PM.*

468/22 KD/RQ that cheque # 22470 payable to Lyke Farms totaling \$301.88 be approved.

**CARRIED**

*Councillor RL returned to the council meeting at 7:11PM*

469/22 TT/NM that the Statement of Financial Activities detailed for the period ending November 30, 2022 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. SUMA Member Communication re: Changing the Municipal Election Date: For informational purposes. The next municipal election is scheduled for November 13, 2024, just after the provincial election date of October 28, 2024. Saskatchewan's Chief Electoral Officer has suggested the municipal election date be changed to avoid voter confusion as experienced during the elections in 2020. SUMA has been advocating for a May 2025 election date for Cities and a September 2024 election date for Towns and Villages. If interested, municipalities are invited to send a letter to the Honorable Don McMorris, Minister of Government Relations, calling upon the provincial government to listen to their Chief Electoral Officer and the voices of Saskatchewan.

Council discusses, and agrees election dates make no difference. Town Council will not be sending a letter.

2. Minister Hindley re: Wolseley Primary Health Care: Correspondence received acknowledging that the Ministry is committed to fully restoring and stabilizing the important health care services that the people of Wolseley and the surrounding area rely on.
3. RM of Wolseley re: Pollock Monument: Correspondence received in response to the Town's letter asking if the RM would be interested in contributing. The RM suggests that an all-encompassing monument could be established to honor the many volunteers with significant contributions to the community. Town Council is not receptive to this idea, and still want to proceed with Pollock Monument as planned.

### **REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION**

1. Utility Update: The fourth quarter (Q4) utility bills have been prepared and sent in the mail this week. This is for the period October 1 to December 31, 2022, due January 31, 2023. The Loraas 2023 Collection Calendars are included with the bills.
2. TAXervice Update: The CAO provided Council with a TAXervice Update (see separate page).

### **MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS FORUM**

KD - Sportsplex: Everything going well at the skating rink. The financial report was distributed to Council for review. Everything is coming together nicely.

470/22

KD/RQ to acknowledge the Wolseley & District Sportsplex Board financial report as presented.

**CARRIED**

- Wolseley Curling Club: Ice is in and the Curling Club is hosting a New Year's Eve Bonspiel, being organized by Nick Baran.
- Outdoor Rink: ice is in the process of being made, it has been cold.

RQ - Fire Hall: overhead unit heaters are giving trouble. The thermostat was changed on the newer unit. The older unit will need to be replaced. Quote was received from Ken at Positive Plumbing and Heating.

471/22

RQ/RL to proceed with Positive Plumbing and Heating quote to replace unit heater at the Fire Hall for a total price of approximately \$4,182.18 as indicated on estimate #22111 dated December 20, 2022.

**CARRIED**

- Councillor RQ asked Wolseley Home Building Centre for possibility of storing and having an exchange program for propane tanks for the Olympia ice resurfacers machine. These types of tanks are also used for fork lifts, scissor lifts, etc. They would be able to accommodate this for \$38 + tax for exchanging these types of propane tanks.

NM - Nothing to report.

RL - Sportsplex: thought the water heater at the skating rink went, but it was just a circulator pump. Positive Plumbing and Heating is coming to look at the radiant heater.

- At one point in time, the wind caught the west walk-in door at the Fire Hall and bent the hinges. This is the reason it is challenging to latch. Will have to get someone in to look at it.
- Landfill Site: mattresses and sofas are being put into the bins as they are brought out, we will have to keep up with packing and pushing them down in the bins.

TT - Music Festival: advertising for interested members willing to join. There is a meeting on January 3<sup>rd</sup> to get commitment. If all goes as planned, will proceed with festival as planned.

- Town Hall/Opera House: working on a transition plan for new Caretakers.

GH - Draft letter proposal to Co-op Fuel Stations was circulated via electronic mail to Council for review.

- Budget 2023: Mayor GH reminds Council to start working on items for the 2023 Budget year coming up.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Ryzer Door re: Quote for Town Hall/Opera House Door Hardware: A quote was received from Ryzer Door Services to replace hardware on four exterior doors. For all, \$18,248 plus GST and PST. Council recommends to source other quotes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Waterworks Compliance Inspection:

472/22

NM/RL to acknowledge the Waterworks Compliance Inspection report provided by Water Security Agency.

**CARRIED**

2. Access Communications re: Proposed Lease Location: Correspondence was received proposing a lease location and what Access proposes for a lease. Council tabled to allow further time to review documents as they were just received.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next Regular Meeting of Council, Wednesday January 4, 2023 at 7:00PM at Council Chamber.

**ADJOURNMENT**

473/22

RQ that the meeting be adjourned at 8:02PM.

**CARRIED**

*Gerald Hill*  
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Mayor

*Candice Ciekiewicz*  
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Chief Administrative Officer