

TOWN OF WATSON MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF WATSON IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN
HELD ON Wednesday August 9, 2023 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LOCATED AT 300 MAIN STREET.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Norma Weber

Councillors: A. Friesen, G. Pastl, M. Brost, R. Paszt, L. Sobchyshyn, J. Turchyn

Utility: James Dominey

Administrator: Lani Best

CALL TO ORDER:

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

- 275/2023** **AGENDA: Paszt, Pastl**
THAT the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried
- 276/2023** **Supervisor: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge the supervisors resignation. CARRIED
- 277/2023** **ASSISTANT Supervisor's REPORT: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
THAT the assistant supervisor's written report be accepted as presented and filed
respectively. CARRIED
- 278/2023** **WATER REPORT: Friesen, Turchyn**
THAT the water reports be accepted as presented and filed respectively. CARRIED
- 279/2023** **WATER Compliance Report: Pastl, Paszt**
THAT Council acknowledge the water compliance report. CARRIED
- 280/2023** **LAGOON Compliance Report: Brost, Turchyn**
THAT Council acknowledge the sewer compliance report. CARRIED
- 281/2023** **Water Drainage Improvements: Paszt, Pastl**
THAT Council contract Garth Davis to replace the culvert behind 205 2nd Ave NE, dig
out ditch and replace culvert beside 131 Cameron Crescent, and dig out the highway
ditches that are restricting flow and that staff will work on water drainage
improvement on the back alley behind the town office. CARRIED
- 282/2023** **Minutes: Turchyn, Brost**
That the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 12, 2023 be adopted as
presented. CARRIED

- 283/2023** **FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BANK REC: Pastl, Friesen**
THAT Council acknowledge the July 2023 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliations for the Max 2, Recreation Fund, and the Investment Savings account as presented and filed respectively.
CARRIED
- 284/2023** **Bills to be Paid: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**
That the list of accounts for payment totalling \$184,360.05 paid by Cheques No. 30787 to 30814, and online payments No. 595 to 604, Payroll totalling \$31,607.50 be approved.
CARRIED
- 285/2023** **Branch Collection: Brost, Pastl**
THAT Council acknowledge that we do not have the resources to do a branch collection day for residents.
CARRIED
- 286/2023** **Admin Assistant: Brost Turchyn**
THAT pursuant to Section 111(3) of *The Municipalities Act* council will be responsible for the hiring, suspension and dismissal of all employees of the municipality, and our Administration Bylaw shall be amended to reflect the same.
CARRIED
- 287/2023** **Joint Venture Agreement: Paszt, Brost**
THAT council rescind resolution 223/2023 which supported the Shareholder Agreement forming the EQWL Regional Development Corporation.
CARRIED
- 288/2023** **Joint Venture Agreement: Paszt, Brost**
THAT council approve the joint venture agreement as presented between the Villages of Quill Lake and Englefeld, the RM of Lakeside and the Town of Watson.
CARRIED
- 289/2023** **Offer to Purchase: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT council approve the offer to purchase of the Graf building for the New2You store.
CARRIED
- 290/2023** **Positive Bylaw Prizes: Turchyn, Sobchyshyn**
That council order some drawstring back packs for prizes this year, and we look at budgeting for any other items in future years.
CARRIED
- 291/2023** **Sask Tel Tower: Pastl, Friesen**
THAT Council acknowledge the completion of the Public Consultation Period for the support tower to be located at 106 2nd Street NW, and that construction will move forward as there was no opposition from residents.
CARRIED
- 292/2023** **CN Spur Line: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Council acknowledge the approval of the spur line for the BHP mine.
CARRIED
- 293/2023** **Letter: Pastl, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge and reply to the letter from Ignatius Seffelaar dated July 17, 2023.

- 294/2023 **Website Tender: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT Council verify the contract length for support and if that is satisfactory approve a website redesign for the next budget year. CARRIED
- 295/2023 **New Horizons for Seniors Funding: Friesen, Turchyn**
THAT Council approve the application for New Horizons for Seniors Funding. CARRIED
- 296/2023 **2022 Annual Waterworks Financial Overview: Pastl, Friesen**
THAT Council approve the Annual Waterworks Financial Overview. CARRIED
- 297/2023 **PDAP: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT the Town of Watson apply to the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency be designated an eligible assistance area under the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP) which provides financial assistance for restoring essential services and property as a result of substantial damages caused by Heavy rain as a result of severe weather on August 3, 2023. CARRIED
- 298/2023 **Chegus RV: Paszt, Pastl**
THAT Council and some members of the fire department look at the Chegus RV building to be used as a possible new Fire Hall. CARRIED
- 299/2023 **Elementary School: Turchyn, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge George's interest to sell the building and property to the town, and that we begin bylaw enforcement on the property to have it taken down or completely refurbished. CARRIED
- 300/2023 **PSE Program: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Council approve the application to the PSE program for pedestrian cross walks over highways 5 and 6. CARRIED
- 301/2023 **Trailers: Pastl, Paszt**
THAT Council review bylaws and policies regarding holiday trailers as a residence on lots. CARRIED
- 302/2023 **Ford Truck: Friesen, Turchyn**
THAT Council have Reaper Automotive do a basic clean on the Ford Truck and repair the driver side seat belt, using the seat belt from the rear seat if possible. CARRIED
- 303/2023 **McNab Park: Brost, Friesen**
THAT Council approve the appointment of Jarrod Sigstad to the McNab Park Board. CARRIED
- 304/2023 **Recreation Report: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**
THAT Council acknowledge the written recreation report as presented. CARRIED

- 305/2023 **Bylaw Enforcement Report: Pastl, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge the Bylaw Enforcement report as presented. CARRIED
- 306/2023 **Reports: Sobchyshyn, Friesen**
THAT Council acknowledge the verbal reports as presented. CARRIED
- 307/2023 **MAYOR'S REPORT: Pastl, Turchyn**
THAT the Mayor's verbal report be acknowledged as presented. CARRIED
- 308/2023 **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Turchyn, Brost**
THAT the Administrator's written report be acknowledged as presented and filed respectively. CARRIED
- 309/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 12: Brost, Paszt**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-12 being a Bylaw to provide for Golf Carts on public roadways be given a First reading. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 310/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 12: Friesen, Turchyn**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-12 being a Bylaw to provide for Golf Carts on public roadways be given a second reading. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 311/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 12: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-12 being a Bylaw to provide for Golf Carts on public roadways have a third reading at this meeting. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 312/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 12: Brost, Turchyn**
THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-12 at this meeting by reading it for a third time. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 313/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 13: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-13 being a Bylaw to provide for noise be given a First reading. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 314/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 13: Paszt, Turchyn**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-13 being a Bylaw to provide for noise be given a second reading. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 315/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 13: Brost, Pastl**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-13 being a Bylaw to provide for noise have a third reading at this meeting. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 316/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 13: Pastl, Friesen**
THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-13 at this meeting by reading it for a third time. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 317/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 14: Brost, Paszt**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-14 being a Bylaw to provide for loitering be given a First reading.


318/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 14: Friesen, Pastl**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-14 being a Bylaw to provide for loitering be given a second reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

319/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 14: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-14 being a Bylaw to provide for loitering have a third reading at this meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

320/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 14: Brost, Friesen**
THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-14 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

321/2023 **Table: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT Council table the remaining agenda items for our next meeting.
CARRIED

322/2023 **ADJOURN: Pastl**
THAT we adjourn the meeting at 10:10 pm.
CARRIED

MAYOR 

ADMINISTRATOR 