**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 September 13, 2023 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

LOCATED AT 300 MAIN STREET.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor: Norma Weber

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

Regrets: A. Friesen

Utility: James Dominey

Administrator: Lani Best

Delegation: Deena Eggerman

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A quorum being present, Mayor Weber called the meeting to order at 6:55 pm.

**328/2023 AGENDA: Turchyn, Paszt**

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried

7:00 PM Preschool Delegation: Ms. Eggerman advised council that the playschool would be moving into the united church by October 2. Playschool has grown, and they hope to continue to see that growth. With a new board they hope to be managed efficiently.

**329/2023 Delegation: Sobchyshyn, Brost**

THAT Council acknowledge the delegation from the playschool.

CARRIED

**330/2023 ASSISTANT Supervisor’s REPORT: Brost, Sobchyshyn**

THAT the assistant supervisor’s written report be accepted as presented and filed respectively.

CARRIED

**331/2023 WATER REPORT: Brost, Paszt**

THAT the water reports be accepted as presented and filed respectively.

CARRIED

**332/2023 121 4th Ave NW Sewer: Pastl, Turchyn**

THAT Council acknowledge we will be investigating the sewer line blockages at this address.

CARRIED

**333/2023 Sweeper Joystick: Paszt, Sobchyshyn**

THAT Council acknowledge the sweeper joystick will need some maintenance and or repair this winter.

CARRIED

**334/2023 Turbidity Meters: Brost, Pastl**

THAT Council acknowledge we will be ordering and installing the turbidity meters this fall/winter.

CARRIED

**335/2023 Lagoon Spraying: Brost, Pastl**

THAT Council budget and hire spraying for the lagoon weeds next spring and again in late summer.

CARRIED

**336/2023** **Minutes:** **Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**

That the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 9, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**337/2023** **Minutes:** **Paszt, Brost**

That the minutes of the special meeting held on August 14, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**338/2023** **Minutes:** **Pastl, Turchyn**

That the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 5, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**339/2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BANK REC: Pastl, Brost**

THAT Council acknowledge the August 2023 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliations for the Max 2, and Recreation Fund accounts as presented and filed respectively.

CARRIED

**340/2023 Bills to be Paid: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**

That the list of accounts for payment totalling $174,374.08 paid by Cheques No. 30815 to 30855, and online payments No. 605 to 615, Payroll totalling $27,745.50 be approved.

CARRIED

**341/2023 Tree Removal: Brost, Sobchyshyn**

THAT Council approve the removal of some trees out front of the office, and in co-operation with the Sask Housing Board we remove a tree from 105 5th Ave NW to resolve a bug infestation.

CARRIED

**342/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 17: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**

THAT Bylaw No. 2023-17 being a Bylaw to establish an arena board be given a First reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**343/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 17: Brost, Sobchyshyn**

THAT Bylaw No. 2023-17 being a Bylaw to establish an arena board be given a second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**344/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 17: Paszt, Turchyn**

THAT Bylaw No. 2023-17 being a Bylaw to establish an arena board have a third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**345/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 17: Pastl, Paszt**

THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-17 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**346/2023 Temporary Container: Paszt, Brost**

THAT council provide residents with information on local commercial storage options, as we do not allow sea cans in residential areas.

CARRIED

**347/2023 SEDA Provincial Summit: Brost, Turchyn**

THAT council acknowledge the SEDA provincial summit in Saskatoon this year.

CARRIED

**348/2023 Fire Department: Brost Turchyn**

THAT council approve the scheduling of a regional meeting to discuss fire services for our region.

CARRIED

**349/2023** **Welcome Event:** **Turchyn, Sobchyshyn**

That council move forward with planning a welcome to Watson event, and a town wide registration for next fall.

CARRIED

**350/2023 Plant Based Treaty: Turchyn, Brost**

THAT Council acknowledge letter submitted regarding the Plant Based Treaty.

CARRIED

**351/2023 Website: Turchyn, Paszt**

THAT Council approve further research on websites for approval later this month.

CARRIED

**352/2023 Springs for 1 ton: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**

THAT Council have staff replace the springs on the 1 ton, unless they feel the job should be completed by a mechanic.

CARRIED

**353/2023 Rail Safety Week: Sobchyshyn, Brost**

THAT Council declare September 18 to 24, 2023 as Rail Safety Week in Watson.

CARRIED

**354/2023 McNab Park Agreement: Brost, Pastl**

THAT Council approve the agreement for McNab Park and wage payments.

CARRIED

**355/2023 ADM Train Engine: Paszt, Sobchyshyn**

THAT Council approve moving the ADM Train Engine into town pending research on the cost and feasibility of the move.

CARRIED

**356/2023 Revitalization Grant Applications: Sobchyshyn, Brost**

That Council acknowledge the receipt of applications for the 2024 grant and that we set a firm deadline for applications, and advertise the opportunity more widely in the community.

CARRIED

**357/2023 Complaint: Paszt, Turchyn**

THAT Council acknowledge the receipt of the letter from D. Tokarski and that we have a plan to address the issue per resolution 341/2023.

CARRIED

**358/2023 Building Permit: Sobchyshyn, Brost**

THAT Council approve the building permit #W2023-05 to build a deck addition.

CARRIED

**359/2023 Regional Meeting: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**

THAT Council approve Lani to attend the Regional Meeting in Kinistino on October 13, and any council member that may be able to attend as well.

CARRIED

**360/2023 Civic Center Roof: Pastl, Brost**

THAT Council approve the repair of the Civic Center roof flashing by Painter Construction as quoted.

CARRIED

**361/2023 Signing Authority: Paszt, Pastl**

THAT Council approve signing authority to be Norma Weber OR Mike Brost AND Lani Best OR Melissa Chegus.

CARRIED

**362/2023 Heavy Equipment Use: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**

THAT Council approve the policy that only town employees shall operate Town Equipment.

CARRIED

**363/2023 Volunteers: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**

THAT Council approve volunteers to assist town employees as required. Volunteers will be required to wear appropriate PPE, and we will ensure our liability insurance will cover these volunteers, and we create waivers of liability.

CARRIED

**364/2023 Bylaw Enforcement Report: Sobchyshyn, Brost**

THAT Council acknowledge the Bylaw Enforcement report as presented.

CARRIED

**365/2023 Reports: Pastl, Paszt**

THAT Council acknowledge the verbal reports as presented.

CARRIED

**366/2023 Fire Department Garage: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**

THAT Council approve the commitment to ensuring we have the funds to build an additional fire truck building beside the old hall.

CARRIED

**367/2023 MAYOR’S REPORT: Pastl, Turchyn**

THAT the Mayor’s verbal report be acknowledged as presented.

CARRIED

**368/2023 ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Sobchyshyn, Brost**

THAT the Administrator’s written report be acknowledged as presented and filed respectively.

CARRIED

**369/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 16: Brost, Paszt**

THAT Bylaw No. 2023-16 being a Bylaw to provide for Golf Carts on public roadways be given a First reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**370/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 16: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**

THAT Bylaw No. 2023-16 being a Bylaw to provide for Golf Carts on public roadways be given a second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**371/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 16: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**

THAT Bylaw No. 2023-16 being a Bylaw to provide for Golf Carts on public roadways have a third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**372/2023 BYLAW NO. 2023 – 16: Brost, Turchyn**

THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-16 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**373/2023 ADJOURN: Turchyn**

THAT we adjourn the meeting at 10:30 pm.

CARRIED

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