

TOWN OF WATSON MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF WATSON IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN
HELD ON Thursday January 12, 2023 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LOCATED AT 300 MAIN STREET.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Norma Weber

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

Utility: James Dominey

Administrator: Lani Best

CALL TO ORDER:

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

1/2023

AGENDA: Paszt, Turchyn

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried

2/2023

FOREMAN REPORT: Friesen, Pastl

THAT the Foreman's written report be accepted as presented and filed respectively.

3/2023

ASSISTANT FOREMAN'S REPORT: Paszt, Sobchyshyn

THAT the assistant foreman's written report be accepted as presented and filed respectively.

CARRIED

4/2023

WATER REPORT: Friesen, Brost

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

CARRIED

5/2023

Water Permit to Operate: Pastl, Paszt

THAT the new Permit to Operate a Waterworks be acknowledged as presented.

CARRIED

6/2023

Minutes: Sobchyshyn, Friesen

That the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 14, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

7/2023

FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BANK REC: Turchyn, Brost

THAT Council acknowledge the December 2022 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliations for the Max 2, Recreation Fund, and the Investment Savings account as presented and filed respectively.

CARRIED

8/2023

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Paszt, Pastl

That the list of accounts for payment totalling \$77,120.98 paid by Cheques No. 30543 to 30575, and online payments No. 530 to 538, Payroll totalling \$18,856.50 be approved.

CARRIED

- 9/2023** **Cat's Creamery: Turchyn, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT council approve the final grant request from Cat's Creamery and pay out \$5000.00 and close the application.
 CARRIED
- 10/2023** **Watson Community Lotto: Brost, Pastl**
 THAT council approve the establishment of a special bank account for the cash receipts and payments for the Watson Community Lotto, to be managed through the office and Mayor and administrator will have signing authority.
 CARRIED
- 11/2023** **Voyent Alert: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
 That council approve the subscription to Voyent Alert for emergency services.
 CARRIED
- 12/2023** **Budget: Pastl, Paszt**
 THAT council approve the budget for 2023 acknowledging that the 2023 Levy will be adjusted at our February meeting.
 CARRIED
- Lani Left the meeting at 8:30 PM to allow council to discuss her salary.
 Lani returned to the meeting at 8:40 to record the resolution regarding salary.**
- 13/2023** **Lani Salary: Friesen, Brost**
 THAT Council approve a Salary increase of \$1000.00 to \$80,000 per year for Lani.
 CARRIED
- 14/2023** **Gallant/Holm Subdivision: Pastl, Turchyn**
 That Council approve the proposed subdivision as presented.
 CARRIED
- 15/2023** **Spring Workshop: Paszt, Brost**
 THAT Council approve Lani's attendance of the Enhanced Municipal Administration Program in Kelvington on March 30.
 CARRIED
- 16/2023** **Demolition Permit: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**
 That council approve the demolition permit for 100 3rd Street NE
 CARRIED
- 17/2023** **Cudworth withdrawal from REACT: Brost, Turchyn**
 That council acknowledge the letter from Cudworth stating their intent to withdraw from REACT.
 CARRIED
- 18/2023** **Pfneisl Letter: Paszt, Turchyn**
 THAT council acknowledge the letter from Ken Pfneisl regarding snow removal, and respond with the policy and requirements for snow removal for commercial properties on main street.
 CARRIED

- 19/2023** **Good Neighbors Store: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
 THAT Council approve the development of a Good Neighbors Store with the EQWL Regional Partnership.
 CARRIED
- 20/2023** **Appoint Building Officials: Brost, Pastl**
 THAT council appoint the building inspectors from CCASK for 2023 as presented in the list attached to and forming part of these minutes.
 CARRIED
- 21/2023** **Homefield: Sobchyshyn, Friesen**
 THAT Council acknowledge the services provided from Homefield and we investigate if they would be a cost efficient benefit to Watson.
 CARRIED
- 22/2023** **Whitewood Resolutions: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**
 THAT Council acknowledge the Resolutions presented by Whitewood and advise them that we would support them, but they need to be clarified.
 CARRIED
- 23/2023** **Unpaid Taxes: Turchyn, Pastl**
 THAT council acknowledge the Unpaid Taxes for 2023.
 CARRIED
- REPORTS: No Reports this month**
- 24/2023** **MAYOR’S REPORT: Paszt, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT the Mayor’s verbal report be acknowledged as presented.
 CARRIED
- 25/2023** **ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**
 THAT the Administrator’s written report be acknowledged as presented and filed respectively.
 CARRIED
- 27/2023** **Trailer Rental Business: Pastl, Paszt**
 WHEREAS Council has received a request for a Holiday Trailer rental business in Watson and they will need land to store the trailers;
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the annual Business License Fee is \$250.00, and the trailers must be stored on a commercial lot at a rate of \$100.00 per month or \$1200.00 per year.
 CARRIED
- 28/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 02: Turchyn, Paszt**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-02 being a Bylaw to Establish a Fire Department be given a First reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 29/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 01: Pastl, Brost**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-01 being a Bylaw to establish a loan to purchase a grader be given a First reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

30/2023	<u>Confined Space Policy: Brost, Sobchyshyn</u> THAT council recognize that the number of spotters required for a confined space rescue is dependant on each situation.	CARRIED
31/2023	<u>Correspondence: Pastl, Sobchyshyn</u> THAT Council acknowledge the correspondence as presented.	CARRIED
32/2023	<u>ADJOURN: Pastl</u> THAT we adjourn the meeting at 9:35 pm.	CARRIED

MAYOR_____

ADMINISTRATOR_____