

TOWN OF WATSON MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF WATSON IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN
HELD ON Tuesday May 2, 2023 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LOCATED AT 300 MAIN STREET.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Norma Weber
Councillors: A. Friesen, G. Pastl, M. Brost, J. Turchyn, R. Paszt, L. Sobchyshyn
Utility: James Dominey
Transportation: Lloyd ven der Buhs
Administrator: Lani Best

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor Weber called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.

- 156/2023** **AGENDA: Paszt, Sobchyshyn**
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried
- 157/2023** **Transportation REPORT: Friesen, Turchyn**
THAT the laborer’s verbal report be accepted as presented. CARRIED
- 158/2023** **OILER: Pastl, Paszt**
THAT council offer to haul away LeRoy’s Oiler at no charge, the most we would pay for the unit is \$500.00. CARRIED
- 159/2023** **Swale 2 Main & 4th Ave: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT council have transportation investigate the swales at this intersection, and if they do not exist, create them during the sand seal project. CARRIED
- 160/2023** **1 Ton Springs: Friesen, Turchyn**
THAT council have transportation price the springs at NAPA before ordering them for our one ton. Transportation shall do the labor to install the springs. CARRIED
- 161/2023** **ASSISTANT FOREMAN’S REPORT: Friesen, Brost**
THAT the assistant foreman’s written report be accepted as presented and filed respectively. CARRIED
- 162/2023** **WATER REPORT: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**
THAT the water reports be accepted as presented and filed respectively. CARRIED

- 163/2023** **207 3rd Ave NE Sewer Line: Sobchyshyn, Pastl**
 THAT Council approve the sewer line dig at this location to correct the sewer line issues in this area. The water operator shall have a plan in place before the dig commences.
CARRIED
- 164/2023** **310 Railway Ave S Sewer Line: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT Council approve the sewer line repair at 310 Railway Ave S, to be done at the same time as 207 3rd Ave NE. If possible improvements to the connection shall be made during the dig.
CARRIED
- 165/2023** **Minutes: Paszt, Turchyn**
 That the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 5, 2023 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED
- 166/2023** **FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BANK REC: Turchyn, Brost**
 THAT Council acknowledge the April 2023 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliations for the Max 2, Recreation Fund, and the Investment Savings account as presented and filed respectively.
CARRIED
- 167/2023** **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Sobchyshyn, Friesen**
 That the list of accounts for payment totalling \$429,620.08 paid by Cheques No. 30658 to 30690, and online payments No. 567 to 575, Payroll totalling \$17,647.50 be approved.
CARRIED
- 168/2023** **Street Fest: Paszt, Pastl**
 THAT Council approve the special event permit for the fire department Street Fest on June 23, 2023.
CARRIED
- 169/2023** **Connie Retirement: Brost, Pastl**
 THAT council approve a come and go tea for the community and a supper or lunch (staff and council only) for Connie’s retirement party.
CARRIED
- 170/2023** **Development Incentives: Sobchyshyn, Pastl**
 THAT council develop a policy for development incentives and distribute it to our local contractors and realtors regularly.
CARRIED
- 171/2023** **Sask Tel Support Tower: Friesen, Brost**
 That council acknowledge the support tower to be constructed on Sask Tel’s lot.
CARRIED
- 172/2023** **Northeast Waste Management: Pastl, Paszt**
 THAT council acknowledge the letter from Northeast Waste Management but we will not alter our lagoon dumping policy at this time.
CARRIED

- 173/2023** **Reed Security: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT Council approve changes to the security system by altering the security doors, adding some more cameras, and moving the monitoring system.
 CARRIED
- 174/2023** **Chamber Furniture: Pastl, Turchyn**
 That Council approve the purchase of two more chairs and two more small tables for council chambers.
 CARRIED
- 175/2023** **Phone System: Pastl, Brost**
 THAT Council acknowledge our phone system is obsolete.
 CARRIED
- 176/2023** **Hall Ramp: Turchyn, Sobchyshyn**
 That council add a new civic center entrance (east) ramp to our next budget.
 CARRIED
- 177/2023** **Sick/Personal Days: Brost, Turchyn**
 That council approve 5 sick days per year effective immediately for new staff and our CAO. This will be effective for all staff as of January 1, 2024. These sick days do not accumulate, nor can they be carried forward. After three consecutive days of time used, a doctor’s note is required.
 CARRIED
- 178/2023** **Comeau House: Turchyn, Friesen**
 THAT Council hire a contractor to perform an asbestos test on the burned house located at 200 3rd Ave NW.
 CARRIED
- 179/2023** **Parks and Rec Month: Pastl, Brost**
 THAT Council declare June Parks and Recreation month in Watson.
 CARRIED
- 180/2023** **Canadian Organic Water & Sewer: Turchyn, Paszt**
 THAT council must maintain the policy of billing for every metered water service fairly for everyone, therefore Canadian Organic will have two water bills for their property on main street.
 CARRIED
- 181/2023** **Canadian Organic Revitalization Grant: Friesen, pastl**
 THAT Council approve the payment of \$5000.00 to Canadian Organic as they have met the grant requirements and submitted for payment.
 CARRIED
- 182/2023** **REACT Cart Agreement: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
 THAT Council approve the cart agreement presented by REACT for automated curbside garbage disposal.
 CARRIED
- 183/2023** **Library Report: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT Council acknowledge the library report as presented.
 CARRIED

- 184/2023 **Reports: Pastl, Friesen**
 THAT Council acknowledge the verbal reports as presented.
 CARRIED
- 185/2023 **MAYOR’S REPORT: Turchyn, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT the Mayor’s verbal report be acknowledged as presented.
 CARRIED
- 186/2023 **ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Turchyn, Pastl**
 THAT the Administrator’s written report be acknowledged as presented and filed
 respectively.
 CARRIED
- 187/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 06: Paszt, Pastl**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-06 being a Bylaw to provide for repealing bylaws be given a
 First reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 188/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 06: Turchyn, Friesen**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-06 being a Bylaw to provide for repealing bylaws be given a
 Second reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 189/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 06: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-06 being a Bylaw to provide for repealing bylaws be given a
 third reading at this meeting.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 190/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 06: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-06 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 191/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 07: Turchyn, Paszt**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-07 being a Bylaw to establish a Museum board be given a First
 reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 192/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 07: Brost, Pastl**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-07 being a Bylaw to establish a Museum board be given a
 Second reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 193/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 07: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-07 being a Bylaw to establish a Museum board be given a
 third reading at this meeting.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 194/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 07: Friesen, Paszt**
 THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-07 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 195/2023 **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 08: Turchyn, Pastl**
 THAT Bylaw No. 2023-08 being a Bylaw to provide for a grader loan be given a First
 reading.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 196/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 08: Paszt, Friesen**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-08 being a Bylaw to provide for a grader loan be given a Second reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 197/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 08: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-08 being a Bylaw to provide for a grader loan be given a third reading at this meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 198/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 08: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-08 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 199/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 09: Turchyn, Paszt**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-09 being a Bylaw to establish a rec board be given a First reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 200/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 09: Brost, Friesen**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-09 being a Bylaw to establish a rec board be given a Second reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 201/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 09: Sobchyshyn, Pastl**
THAT Bylaw No. 2023-09 being a Bylaw to establish a rec board be given a third reading at this meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 202/2023** **BYLAW NO. 2023 – 09: Friesen, Pastl**
THAT council pass Bylaw 2023-09 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 203/2023** **Correspondence: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
THAT council acknowledge the letter from building standards and that Lani has submitted our bylaw to them for review.
CARRIED
- 204/2023** **Next Meeting: Paszt, Turchyn**
THAT Council acknowledge our next regular meeting date of June 14, 2023.
CARRIED
- 205/2023** **ADJOURN: Paszt**
THAT we adjourn the meeting at 10:00 pm.
CARRIED

MAYOR _____

ADMINISTRATOR _____