

TOWN OF WATSON MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF WATSON IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN
HELD ON Monday April 8, 2024 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LOCATED AT 300 MAIN STREET.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Norma Weber

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

Via Zoom: L. Sobchyshyn

Supervisor: Kelly Gerspacher

Public Works: James Dominey

CAO: Lani Best

CALL TO ORDER:

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

- 120/2024** **AGENDA: Paszt, Pastl**
 THAT the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried
- 121/2024** **Facilities Report: Sobchyshyn, Friesen**
 THAT Council accept the Written report as given by the Facilities Manager. CARRIED
- 122/2024** **Supervisor Report: Turchyn, Brost**
 THAT Council accept the verbal report as given by the Supervisor. CARRIED
- 123/2024** **ASSISTANT Supervisor's REPORT: Pastl, Brost**
 THAT the assistant supervisor's written report be accepted as presented and filed
 respectively. CARRIED
- 124/2024** **WATER REPORT: Friesen, Turchyn**
 THAT the water reports be accepted as presented and filed respectively. CARRIED
- 125/2024** **Water Works Compliance Inspection: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
 THAT Council acknowledge the inspection report as presented. CARRIED
- 126/2024** **Water Use Report: Turchyn, Paszt**
 THAT Council acknowledge the water use reports as presented. CARRIED
- 127/2024** **Minutes: Brost, Paszt**
 That the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 6, 2024 be adopted as
 presented. CARRIED

- 123/2024** **FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BANK REC: Pastl, Paszt**
THAT Council acknowledge the March 2024 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliations for the Max 2, and Recreation Fund accounts as presented and filed respectively.
CARRIED
- 124/2024** **Bills to be Paid: Sobchyshyn, Turchyn**
That the list of accounts for payment totalling \$66243.83 paid by Cheques No. 31042 to 31070, and online payments No. 671 to 679, Payroll totalling \$30,800.16 be approved.
CARRIED
- 125/2024** **Loading Zone: Pastl, Brost**
THAT Council approve the expansion of the loading zone at the lodge entrance.
CARRIED
- 126/2024** **Old School: Turchyn, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Council acknowledge that we could purchase the land and or building from Willow Creek Organics.
CARRIED
- 127/2024** **George Cuff: Brost, Pastl**
THAT Council approve and support the application to TSS for a grant to have George Cuff deliver a Governance presentation for new councils in November.
CARRIED
- 128/2024** **Cross Walks: Friesen, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Council approve the additional cross walks as presented, and apply to the SGI Grant to expand our original application to accommodate these changes.
CARRIED
- 129/2024** **Fire Hall Sponsorship: Pastl, Paszt**
That council approve the tiered recognition for Fire Hall Donations.
CARRIED
- 130/2024** **Janitor Applications: Turchyn, Friesen**
THAT Council interview the three applicants this week.
CARRIED
- 131/2024** **2024 Education Mill Rates: Pastl, Friesen**
THAT council acknowledge 2024 Education Mill Rates set by the Province.
CARRIED
- 132/2024** **Sask Power: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**
THAT Council acknowledge the Sask Power Plan to replace 32 power poles in Watson.
CARRIED
- 133/2024** **Municipal Revenue Sharing: Brost, Pastl**
THAT council acknowledge the 15% increase in our revenue sharing.
CARRIED
- 134/2024** **2024 UMAAS Convention: Paszt, Brost**
THAT council approve Lani's attendance of the convention in Saskatoon in May.
CARRIED

- 135/2024** **SUMA Convention Resolutions: Turchyn, Brost**
That council authorize the convention attendees to vote as they see best for Watson on the resolutions to be presented at the SUMA convention..
- CARRIED
- 136/2024** **Watson Housing Authority: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Council appoint Len Schmid as the chair of the Watson Housing Authority.
- CARRIED
- 137/2024** **Sidewalk Replacement: Paszt, Brost**
THAT Council approve our sidewalk budget starting with the sidewalk in front of Canadian Organic.
- CARRIED
- 138/2024** **Reports: Pastl, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge the verbal reports as presented.
- CARRIED
- 139/2024** **Library AGM: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge the Library AGM is in Watson on April 20, 2024.
- CARRIED
- 140/2024** **MAYOR'S REPORT: Paszt, Friesen**
THAT the Mayor's verbal report be acknowledged as presented.
- CARRIED
- 141/2024** **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT the Administrator's written report be acknowledged as presented and filed respectively.
- CARRIED
- 142/2024** **Water & Sewer Bylaw; Water Policy: Paszt, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Council review the provided documents for our next meeting to consider approval.
- CARRIED
- 143/2024** **General Office Service Fees: Pastl, Turchyn**
THAT Council amend the wording in our fees policy to clarify ISC charges and add a \$0.25 per page print fee for documents.
- CARRIED
- 144/2024** **Condolence P & P: Friesen, Brost**
THAT council amend the policy by adding a \$100.00 spending limit on gifts.
- CARRIED
- 145/2024** **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 03: Friesen, Paszt**
THAT Bylaw No. 2024-03 being a Bylaw to provide for borrowing be given a First reading.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 146/2024** **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 03: Brost, Sobchyshyn**
THAT Bylaw No. 2024-03 being a Bylaw to provide for borrowing be given a second reading.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 147/2024** **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 03: Paszt, Turchyn**
THAT Bylaw No. 2024-03 being a Bylaw to provide for borrowing have a third reading at this meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 148/2024** **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 03: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**
THAT council pass Bylaw 2024-03 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 149/2024** **Correspondence: Turchyn, Friesen**
THAT Council acknowledge the correspondence as presented.
CARRIED
- 150/2024** **Humboldt EMO: Sobchyshyn, Brost**
THAT Council acknowledge the progress with the EMO planning, and that we will have to add fees to our budget once the process is implemented.
CARRIED
- 151/2024** **Next Meeting: Friesen, Paszt**
THAT Council set our next meeting date to be May 15 to accommodate Lani's Vacation.
CARRIED
- 152/2024** **ADJOURN: Pastl**
THAT we adjourn the meeting at 9:40 PM.
CARRIED

MAYOR *Norma W. W. W.*

ADMINISTRATOR *J. W. W.*