

**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 11, 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 6:55 pm.

**1/2024**

**AGENDA: Brost, Paszt**

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried

**Delegation 7:00 PM**

Jay Fitzsimmons shared his proposal for a house building project with the students involved in shop, and asked what supports the Town of Watson can offer.

Mr. Fitzsimmons left the meeting at 7:10

**2/2024**

**School Project: Friesen, Pastl**

THAT Council will provide an infill lot free of charge to the school, and provide tax, and water & sewer abatements until the property is sold. That council will also provide the water and sewer installation into the new house. That council waive the building bylaw timelines, but the National Building Code must be followed and a building permit must be obtained.

CARRIED

**3/2024**

**Supervisor Report: Paszt, Turchyn**

THAT Council accept the verbal report as given by the Supervisor.

CARRIED

**4/2024**

**ASSISTANT Supervisor's REPORT: Paszt, Turchyn**

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

CARRIED

**5/2024**

**WATER REPORT: Brost, Pastl**

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

CARRIED

- 6/2024**      **Water Certification CEU: Paszt, Brost**  
 THAT Council approve using up our credit at ATAP for CEU training for James and/or Lani.  
 CARRIED
- 7/2024**      **Minutes: Pastl, Turchyn**  
 That the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 14, 2023 be adopted as presented.  
 CARRIED
- 8/2024**      **FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BANK REC: Pastl, Brost**  
 THAT Council acknowledge the December 2023 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliations for the Max 2, and Recreation Fund accounts as presented and filed respectively.  
 CARRIED
- 9/2024**      **FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Pastl, Turchyn**  
 THAT Council acknowledge the December 2023 Financial Statement for the Cemetery Fund, 2024 Reserves and Equipment Costing.  
 CARRIED
- 10/2024**      **Bills to be Paid: Past, Brost**  
 That the list of accounts for payment totalling \$115,934 paid by Cheques No. 30957 to 30984, and online payments No. 645 to 651, Payroll totalling \$46,883.75 be approved. (this includes fire and council remuneration)  
 CARRIED
- 11/2024**      **Education Reimbursement Policy: Turchyn, Brost**  
 THAT Council approve payment of non required educational expenses to be paid out at a maximum of \$500.00 per year, payment to be made on employee's anniversary date.  
 CARRIED
- 12/2024**      **In Law Houses: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**  
 THAT Council will not add In Law Housing to our Zoning Bylaw at this time.  
 CARRIED
- 13/2024**      **SK Association of Fire Chiefs: Friesen, Turchyn**  
 THAT Council approve the payment of our membership and acknowledge the workshop opportunities.  
 CARRIED
- 14/2024**      **Election Workshop: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**  
 THAT Council approve Lani to attend the election workshop in Wadena.  
 CARRIED
- 15/2024**      **Insituform CIPP (Sewer): Brost, Paszt**  
 THAT Council add the sewer lining to our capital planning and actively begin looking for Capital Funding for this project.  
 CARRIED
- 16/2024**      **HAMP Community Service: Pastl, Turchyn**  
 THAT Council approve working with HAMP to provide 20 volunteer hours for a young offender, on the condition that if there are any issues we will stop immediately, and will not participate again.  
 CARRIED

- 17/2024 **Atlas Quote: Paszt, Brost**  
THAT council approve the quote from Atlas to clean our main sewer lift and book this for first thing in the spring.  
CARRIED
- 18/2024 **2024-2027 Strategic Plan: Paszt, Friesen**  
THAT Council approve the strategic plan as presented.  
CARRIED
- 19/2024 **Norbert LeBlanc: Brost, Turchyn**  
THAT council acknowledge Norbert LeBlanc's employment with CCASK.  
CARRIED
- 20/2024 **Construction Code Regulations: Sobchyshyn, Pastl**  
THAT council acknowledge the Construction code regulations came into effect January 1, 2024.  
CARRIED
- 21/2024 **Northland Supply Christmas Lights: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**  
That council add budgeting for Christmas Decorations to the capital plan.  
CARRIED
- 22/2024 **T-shirt Design: Brost, Paszt**  
THAT Council approve the purchase of 20 T-shirts/Hoodies from JJ Stitch with our new word burst design.  
CARRIED
- 23/2024 **Building Permits: Pastl, Friesen**  
THAT Council approve closing all outstanding building permits with municode.  
CARRIED
- 24/2024 **Appoint Building Inspectors: Turchyn, Brost**  
THAT Council approve the list of building inspectors for the Town of Watson, listed and attached to these minutes.  
CARRIED
- 25/2024 **Sewer Blockage: Pastl, Sobchyshyn**  
THAT Council seek more information on the sewer line blockage at the Molle Residence.  
CARRIED
- 26/2024 **KDM Emergency Sewer Dumping: Brost, Friesen**  
THAT Council would accept the sewer from BHP, conditional on the sewer sample testing they must provide.  
CARRIED
- 27/2024 **Cemetery Letters: Pastl, Turchyn**  
THAT Council approve the purchase of new letters for the Cemetery from Kuroki.  
CARRIED
- 28/2024 **Revitalization Grant: Sobchyshyn, Paszt**  
THAT Council award our 2024 Revitalization Grant to JJ Stitch for exterior improvements, and that we advertise the grant a minimum of twice each year with application deadlines clearly stated.  
CARRIED

- 29/2024**      **AC for SPRA Office: Paszt, Brost**  
THAT Council approve the purchase of a small Air Conditioner for the office rented to SPRA.  
CARRIED
- 30/2024**      **Chegus Lot Offer: Paszt, Sobchyshyn**  
THAT Council accept the offer from Chris and Melissa Chegus for 109 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE for \$500, with the condition that the lot is consolidated with the two lots to be purchased from John Yuzik.  
CARRIED
- 31/2024**      **Fire Hall:**  
Decision of Fire Hall purchase will be tabled to our next meeting.  
CARRIED
- 32/2024**      **Reports: Friesen, Pastl**  
THAT Council acknowledge the verbal reports as presented.  
CARRIED
- 33/2024**      **Arena Report: Friesen, Turchyn**  
THAT Council acknowledge the written report on the Arena and McNab park from the facilities manager.  
CARRIED
- 34/2024**      **MAYOR'S REPORT: Paszt, Brost**  
THAT the Mayor's verbal report be acknowledged as presented.  
CARRIED
- 35/2024**      **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Friesen, Pastl**  
THAT the Administrator's written report be acknowledged as presented and filed respectively.  
CARRIED
- 36/2024**      **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 01: Brost, Sobchyshyn**  
THAT Bylaw No. 2024-01 being a Bylaw to provide for Property Tax be given a first reading.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 37/2024**      **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 01: Pastl, Turchyn**  
THAT Bylaw No. 2024-01 being a Bylaw to provide for Property Tax have a second reading at this meeting.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 38/2024**      **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 01: Pastl, Friesen**  
THAT council Bylaw 2024-01 being a Bylaw to provide for Property Tax have a third reading at this meeting.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 39/2024**      **BYLAW NO. 2024 – 01: Pastl, Friesen**  
THAT council pass Bylaw 2024-01 at this meeting by reading it for a third time.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 40/2024**      **ADJOURN: Pastl**  
THAT we adjourn the meeting at 9:35pm.  
CARRIED

MAYOR Norma Weber

ADMINISTRATOR Kevin Best

2024 Building Inspectors:

<u>Inspector Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Licence #</u>
Ryan Shepherd	BOL-3	BOL360
Chris Gates	BOL-3	BOL105
Karly Heatcoat	BOL-3	BOL421
Raymond Humenny	BOL-2R	BOL635
Ben McLeod	BOL-2R	BOL805
Jerry Wintonyk	BOL-1	BOL142
Dale Wagner	BOL-3R	BOL379
Dan Knutson	BOL-3	BOL112
Reg Churko	BOL-2	BOL256
Virginia Shepley	BOL-3	BOL517
Janelle Cox	BOL-1	BOL696
Terry Rolleston	BOL-1	BOL089
Kim Pedersen	BOL-2R	BOL511
Dwayne Williams	BOL-2	BOL122
Norbert Leblanc	BOL-1	BOL774