



Council Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2023

Council Members
Present:

Reeve Roger Konieczny, Division 3
Deputy Reeve Tara Kuzio, Division 5
Councillor Joey Nafziger, Division 1
Councillor Cliff Wowdzia, Division 4
Councillor Carl Ogrodnick, Division 6
Councillor Kevin Bentley, Division 7

Administration Present:

Pat Podoborzny, Chief Administrative Officer
Norm De Wet, Director of Operations
Jason Warawa, Director of Corporate Services
Mike Fundytus, Director of Protective Services
Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning and Community Services
Trudy Shukalak, Legislative Services Coordinator

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CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2023-272

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council excuse Councillor Anderson from the December 18, 2023, regular Council meeting.

Carried

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2023-273

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT the December 18, 2023 regular Council meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.

Addition: Correspondence 8.3 Town of Hay River – Firefighter Tribute

Carried

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 November 20, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

2023-274

Moved by: Councillor Bentley

THAT the November 20, 2023 regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as amended with the following change:

Page 1, Item 3.2, Vermilion River Watershed Alliance, Resolution No. 2023-254

Should read "THAT Councillor Wowdzia's name be removed from the Vermilion River Watershed Alliance Board".

Carried

3.2 December 6, 2023 Budget Meeting

2023-275

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT the December 6, 2023 Budget meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried

4 DELEGATIONS

5 COUNCIL PRIORITIES

2023-276

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT the Council Priorities be accepted as presented.

Carried

6 REQUESTS FOR DECISION

6.1 Asset Disposal: Unit 328 and Unit 331 CAT Motorgraders

2023-277

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council approve the sale of Unit 328, CAT 160M motorgrader to JPH Equipment for a cost of \$237,600, and the sale of Unit 331 CAT 160M motorgrader to Michener Allen Auctioneering LTD. for a cost of \$248,888.88.

Carried

6.2 Subdivision File No. 12-2023

2023-278

Moved by: Member Wowdzia

THAT the Subdivision Authority approve Subdivision File No. 12-2023 regarding NW 27-49-11-W4M as per the required conditions of the report presented.

Carried

6.3 Subdivision File No. 13-2023

2023-279

Moved by: Member Nafziger

THAT the Subdivision Authority approve Subdivision File No. 13-2023 regarding NE 25-49-9-W4M as per the required conditions of the report presented.

Carried

6.4 Deployment Revenue Transfer Reserves

2023-280

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council approve the transfer of \$350,247.75, earned from the 2023 Wildfire deployment, to fire reserves.

Carried

6.5 Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professional Attraction and Retention Committee Request

2023-281

Moved by: Councillor Bentley

THAT Council approve to provide financial support to the Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professional Attraction and Retention Committee in the amount of \$2,000 for 2024.

Carried

6.6 Rotary Peace Park Funding Increase

2023-282

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT Council approve the provision of up to \$20,000 in annual funding to the Rotary Peace Park Society to operate the Peace Park over a three-year period with \$15,000 being set aside in the annual base budget and the remaining \$5,000 to be funded from the Peace Park Reserve.

Carried

6.7 PERC and DIRC Applications

2023-283

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council approve Administration to submit applications under the Provincial Education Requisition Credit (PERC) and Designated Industrial Requisition Credit (DIRC) Programs for the 2023 fiscal year to receive credits for education requisitions already paid.

Carried

6.8 STARS Pledge – Funding Request

2023-284

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council approve funding to the Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service (STARS) for 2023 to support their ongoing operations in the amount of \$6,376.

Carried

6.9 Master Rates Amending Bylaw No. 1345-23

Bylaw No. 1345-23 was presented to amend Master Rates Bylaw No. 1281-19 amended by Bylaw No. 1298-20 amended by Bylaw No. 1324-21 amended by Bylaw No. 1336-22, which establishes fees, rates and charges for various services, goods, licenses and permits.

2023-285

Moved by Councillor Bentley

THAT Bylaw No. 1345-23 be given first reading.

Carried

2023-286

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Bylaw No. 1345-23 be given second reading.

Carried

2023-287

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council unanimously and in full agreement give Bylaw No. 1345-23 third reading.

Carried

2023-288

Move d by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT Bylaw No. 1345-23 be given third reading.

Carried Unanimously

6.10 2024 Preliminary Budget

2023-289

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council approve the 2024 Preliminary Budget as presented.

Carried

7 REPORTS

7.1 Reeve

7.2 Council

7.3 Operations Report

7.4 Agriculture and Utilities Report

7.5 Planning and Community Services Report

7.6 Protective Services Report

7.7 Corporate Services Report

2023-290

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council accept the reports as information.

Carried

Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

8 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

8.1 NRCB Annual Report

Letter received from the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) containing a copy of the NRCB 2022-2023 Annual Report.

8.2 VegMin Learning Society – Board Member

E-mail received from VegMin Learning Society asking Council if they are interested in volunteering as a Board Member for the VegMin Learning Society.

8.3 Hay River

Letter received from the Town of Hay River, Northwest Territories thanking the County of Minburn for sending their emergency personnel firefighters to protect them from the recent wildfires that took place beginning in August 2023.

2023-291

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT the correspondence be accepted as presented.

Carried

9 COUNCILLOR REQUEST (Information Request and Notices of Motion)

9.1 Action Item List

2023-292

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council accept the Action Item List as information.

Carried

Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

10 **CLOSED SESSION**

2023-293

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act*, specifically Section 24, advice from officials and Section 16, third party business interests at 11:12 a.m.

Carried

10.1 Village of Mannville – Minburn Fire Department Daytime Response
FOIP Section 24, advice from officials

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborozny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Warawa	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Norm De Wet	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Davin Gegolick	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Mike Fundytus	Presenter

Norm De Wet and Darwin Ullery left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

10.2 Lavoy Cemetery
FOIP Section 16, third party business interests

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborozny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Warawa	Presenter
Norm De Wet	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Davin Gegolick	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Mike Fundytus	Strategic Leader of the Organization

11 **OPEN SESSION**

2023-294

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council revert to open session at 11:40 a.m.

Carried

12 **MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE CLOSED SESSION**

Lavoy Cemetery Management

2023-295

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council support Lavoy Cemetery Caretaking Society in their decision to no longer manage the Lavoy Cemetery, and direct Administration to proceed with preparing an operational management plan, effective immediately.

Carried

13 **ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve Konieczny adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer