

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF  
THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SHERWOOD NO. 159 HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
AT 4400 CAMPBELL STREET, REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN  
Wednesday, August 12, 2020

**PRESENT:** Jeffrey Poissant, Reeve  
Brad Crassweller, Councillor Division 1  
Susan Oakley-Paul, Councillor Division 2  
John Wilke, Councillor Division 3  
Carl Husum, Councillor Division 4  
Rod Culbert, Councillor Division 5  
Grant Paul, Councillor Division 6

**ABSENT:**

**STAFF:** Pam Malach, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mike Mamona, Director of Operations  
Erin Halliday, Director of Finance & Administration  
Brad Wiebe, Manager of Planning & Development  
Barry Wiebe, Manager of Public Works  
Christine Trithardt, Assistant Administrator

**ORDER:** Reeve Poissant called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**305/2020 AGENDA**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Add 8.1.3 Purchase of Tandem Truck and Sander Insert with plow

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Reeve Poissant declared a personal conflict of interest due to the legal proceedings and departed Council Chambers at 5:35 p.m.*

*Reeve Poissant passed the Chair to Deputy Reeve Husum at 5:35 p.m.*

*Deputy Reeve Husum assumed the Chair at 5:35 p.m.*

*Councillor Culbert declared a conflict of interest due to connection to the law office and departed Council Chambers at 5:35 p.m.*

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Joe Repetski made a presentation to Council about the January 2017 RM of Sherwood initiated a lawsuit against McKercher and 4 former Councillors. All parties are deemed together in a single lawsuit. Mr. Repetski stated he is appalled at the treatment as Councillors, he questioned who wrote the statement of claim as it was defaming and didn't prove members of council are guilty. He questioned whether current Council has seen the statement of claim and considered other avenues.....weren't respected enough; the RM initiated a lawsuit.

1. Aware of a second attempt for mediation (Sept 9/10, 2020). Did they do something wrong?
2. Are you being informed on this matter? How are decisions being made?
3. RM Council is suing its own ratepayers.

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Mr. Repetski suggested to put aside the lawsuit and have a discussion.

*Reeve Poissant entered Council Chambers at 5:43 p.m.*

*Councillor Culbert entered Council Chambers at 5:43 p.m.*

*Deputy Reeve Husum passed the Chair to Reeve Poissant at 5:43 p.m.*

*Reeve Poissant assumed the Chair at 5:43 p.m.*

**306/2020 JULY 8, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: THAT the July 8, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**307/2020 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS – JUNE 2020**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT the Monthly Financial Reports for June 2020 be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**308/2020 MONTHLY RESERVE FUND SUMMARY**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT the Monthly Reserve Fund Summary for June 2020 be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**309/2020 LIST OF ACCOUNTS FOR REVIEW**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT cheque numbers 18584 to 18655 totaling \$312,767.04 for July 2020 as outlined in the List of Accounts for Review attached to and forming part of these minutes be approved; and,

THAT the Payroll and Electronic Funds Transfer for June 2020 totaling \$203,288.34 be ratified.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**310/2020 OPERATIONS PROJECT UPDATE – AUGUST 2020**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: THAT the August 2020 Operations Project Update report be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**311/2020 PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS UPDATE – JULY 2020**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT the July Public Works Operations Update Report be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Councillor Crassweller departed Council Chambers at 6:23 p.m.*

*Councillor Crassweller entered Council Chambers at 6:23 p.m.*

**312/2020 PURCHASE OF TANDEM TRUCK AND SANDER INSERT WITH PLOW**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: WHEREAS further to the RM's purchasing policy no. 2009-03 when the contract being awarded exceeds \$50,000 it must be reported to Council for approval;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the request to purchase a 2022 Volvo Truck with Monroe sanding insert from Sterling Truck and Trailer in the amount of \$371,544.12 (tax included) be APPROVED.

CARRIED

**313/2020 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

COUNCILLOR CRASSWELLER: THAT the Planning and Development Update report be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**314/2020 PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CITY OF REGINA OCP AMENDMENT AND PROPOSED HARBOUR LANDING WEST CONCEPT PLAN**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT the RM supports the intent of the OCP amendment to amend the City Phasing Strategy by applying a Phase 1 designation to the Harbour Landing West concept plan area;

AND THAT the RM supports the intent of the Concept Plan however, requests future discussion on the RM office site configuration and access that may include connecting Albulet Drive to the south unnamed street via a portion of the existing Campbell Street alignment for future redevelopment options/commercial value of the RM office location.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**315/2020 DPA 20-018 DISCRETIONARY USE APPLICATION FOR STORAGE OF CLEAN MATERIALS AT SE 23-18-20-W2M BLK/PAR A-PLAN 102256152**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT Discretionary Use DPA-20-018 for the temporary storage of clean materials at Blk/Par A Plan 102256152 SE 23-18-20-W2M be approved with the following conditions:

1. The lot be kept free of refuse, and activities on-site shall not be a nuisance as per Bylaw 07-15.
2. Approval of storage of clean materials is permitted for **two (2) years**; prior to expiration, a new application must be submitted to the planning and development department accompanied by a landscaping plan.
3. Site must be fenced prior to occupancy/use of site.
4. Prior to construction of new approach, that an Approach Construction Permit is obtained and developed in accordance with the conditions specified within the Approach Construction Permit General Conditions.
5. That this site shall be developed in accordance with the site plan attached to the development permit.
6. All utility companies shall be contacted to ensure facilities are not affected prior to site development.

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**316/2020 PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CITY OF REGINA OCP AMENDMENT AND PROPOSED CONCEPT PLAN**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT the RM of Sherwood has no concerns regarding intent of the OCP amendment to amend the City Phasing Strategy by applying a Phase 1 designation to the Beaucorp concept plan area;

AND THAT the RM has no concerns regarding the Beaucorp concept plan proposal as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**317/2020 AUGUST.2020 UPDATE – ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: THAT the August 2020 Administration & Finance Update report be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**318/2020 2020 LIST OF LANDS WITH ARREARS**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT the 2020 List of Lands in Arrears, which excludes any lands with arrears that are less than half of the previous year's levy, attached and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented; and,

THAT the 2020 Tax Enforcement List be published in one edition of the Regina Leader Post; and,

FURTHERMORE, THAT a tax lien be registered against any land on the 2020 Tax Enforcement List still having taxes in arrears sixty (60) clear days after the publication of the Tax Enforcement List in the Regina Leader Post.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**319/2020 WELLINGS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT – REQUEST PERMISSION TO BORROW BY WAY OF LONG TERM LOAN**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT application be made to the Local Government Committee for permission to borrow the sum of \$1,202,530.20, in 2020 repayable over a period of 10 years, for the purpose of Wellings Subdivision Paving Project; and,

THAT the amount of the said debt shall be payable in equal monthly installments of principal and interest in the years 2020 to 2030 inclusive, with interest at a rate of prime + 0.50%.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**320/2020 EXEMPTION OF INTEREST – UTILITIES AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

COUNCILLOR OAKLEY-PAUL: WHEREAS Council previously withheld interest and penalty charges on utility and accounts receivable charges incurred on or after April 1, 2020 for the period of April 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial relief by withholding interest and penalty charges on utility and accounts receivable charges on or after April 1, 2020 be concluded.

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**321/2020**    **TRANSFER DEBENTURE INTEREST TO RESERVES**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: THAT accrued interest of \$57,572.88 received in relation to RM of Sherwood Debenture #1 for the Water Treatment Plant and Distribution Project be transferred to the Utility General Reserve Fund to be applied to the debenture payment in 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**322/2020**    **COMMUNICATIONS**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT the following correspondence be accepted as information and filed:

1. Prairie Central District – July 2020 E-News Update
2. July 7, 2020 Letter from City of Cold Lake to Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Re: Criminal Code Amendment
3. June 15, 2020 Letter from SaskPower Re: Plant Smart

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**323/2020**    **RECESS**

COUNCILLOR WILKE: THAT this meeting recess at 7:16 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**RECONVENE**

REEVE POISSANT: THAT this meeting reconvene into regular session at 7:29 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**324/2020**    **CLOSED SESSION**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT this meeting go into closed session at 7:29 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**325/2020**    **RECONVENE**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT this meeting go into regular session at 9:33 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**326/2020**    **SHERWOOD FOREST TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST**

COUNCILLOR OAKLEY-PAUL: **WHEREAS** Council has received and reviewed the letter received July 24, 2020 from Sherwood Forest Golf and Country Club requesting consideration to abate their 2020 taxes;

**WHEREAS** Council considers the increase to Sherwood Forests taxable assessment to be reasonable and expected based recent site improvements; and

**WHEREAS** Council has maintained a 0% Mill Rate increase in 2020

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Sherwood Forest Golf and Country Club's request for changes to their 2020 municipal and education taxes be **DENIED**.

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**327/2020 ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILLOR PAUL: THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Reeve

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Administrator