

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WYNYARD HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025

Present:

Council:

Mayor Sigourney Hoytfox
Councillor Jerome Karakochuk
Councillor Mark Neal
Councillor Jennifer Melnychuk
Councillor Tracy Jordan
Councillor Paula Stefankiw

Staff:

CAO Jason Chorneyko
Town Superintendent Derek Melsted
Deputy CAO Pierrette Woynarski
Director of Leisure Services Dana Stefanson

Absent:

Councillor Andrew Matheson

Others:

Zoom Attendees

Call to Order:

Mayor Hoytfox called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

#1/25 Minutes:

Neal – that we adopt the minutes of the previous regular meeting of December 7, 2024, as circulated by e-mail.

CARRIED

#2/25 Building Permit Applications:

Karakochuk – that we approve the following Building Permit application:

#18/24 Brandon Basaraba – Rebuild Fire Damaged House - \$1,266.88

CARRIED

#3/25 Vouchers:

Melnychuk – that we approve the following vouchers for payment as reviewed by the Town Council:

General Vouchers:

#14651 to #14682 \$ 48,137.58

EFT

Frito Lay Canada \$ 114.24
M.E.P.P \$ 9,640.22
M.E.P.P \$ 5,468.16
Minister of Finance (EPT) \$ 48,156.07
Ministry of Finance (LCT, PST) \$ 3,821.15
Receiver General \$ 31,604.13

Payroll Vouchers:

AUTO DEPOSIT(PP26) \$ 32,606.96

CARRIED

Delegation: Forever in Motion – Bev Keyser. 7:02 PM – 7:10 PM.

#4/25 Forever in Motion:

Melnychuk – that we receive the Forever in Motion presentation as given by Bev Keyser.

CARRIED

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#5/25 Honorary Service Award:

Neal – that we nominate Albert Boylak for the Honorary Service Award, to be presented at the 2025 SUMA Convention in Saskatoon, and that we cover the award costs and hotel costs for the event.

CARRIED

#6/25 Tax Enforcement – Remove Tax Liens:

Karakochuk – that, as the arrears have been paid, we remove the tax liens from Roll #505102800, Roll #505028000, and Roll #505155001.

CARRIED

#7/25 Tax Enforcement – Tax Liens:

Karakochuk - that we instruct the CAO to proceed for title by registering tax liens on all properties remaining on the 2024 Tax Enforcement List as per *The Tax Enforcement Act*.

CARRIED

#8/25 Wynyard Memorial Airport Operating Grant:

Neal – that we authorize providing \$1,000 to the Wynyard Memorial Airport as an operating grant.

CARRIED

#9/25 Proof of Bonding:

Neal - that, as per the requirements of Section 113(3) of *The Municipalities Act*, we acknowledge receipt of the proof of bonding.

CARRIED

#10/25 CAO Chorneyko's Report:

Stefankiw – that we receive CAO Chorneyko's Report as presented.

CARRIED

#11/25 Summary Financial Statement:

Melnychuk – that we approve the summary financial statement to December 31, 2024 as attached hereto.

CARRIED

#12/25 Deputy CAO Woynarski Report:

Jordan – that we receive Deputy CAO Woynarski Report as presented.

CARRIED

#13/25 Complaints/Comments Report:

Stefankiw – that we receive the Complaints/Comments Report as presented.

CARRIED

#14/25 Animal Control Officer's Report:

Neal – that we receive the Animal Control Officer's Report as submitted by Andy Labdon.

CARRIED

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#15/25 RCMP Report:

Neal – that we receive the RCMP Report as submitted by Corporal Geoff Applegate.

CARRIED

#16/25 2013 Dodge Truck Repairs:

Karakochuk – that we authorize South 20 Dodge Chrysler, in Humboldt, to perform repairs to the 2013 Dodge Truck at a shop rate of \$169 per hour.

CARRIED

#17/25/24 Sell 2005 Dodge Truck:

Neal – that we authorize Town Superintendent Melsted to list for sale the 2005 Dodge Truck on GovDeals.com.

CARRIED

#18/25 Landfill Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report:

Neal – that we authorize P. Machibroda Engineering Ltd. to prepare the required Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report at a cost of \$6,500.

CARRIED

#19/25 Town Superintendent Melsted's Report:

Stefankiw – that we receive Town Superintendent Melsted's Report as presented.

CARRIED

#20/25 Curling Rink Accessibility:

Melnychuk – that we approve the Wynyard Curling Club's plans to install a chair lift at the Curling Rink that will enhance accessibility to the facility.

CARRIED

#21/25 Aquatic Centre:

Neal – that we authorize Director of Leisure Services Stefanson to proceed with the investigation, planning, and fundraising options for the creation of a new Aquatic Centre in Wynyard.

CARRIED

#22/25 Interpretive Centre Highway Signage:

Melnychuk – that, as the facility has been inactive, we instruct Director of Leisure Services Stefanson to have the Department of Highways remove the Wynyard Interpretive Signs from their highway locations.

CARRIED

#23/25 Director of Leisure Services Report:

Neal – that we receive Director of Leisure Services Stefanson's Report as presented.

CARRIED

#24/25 Wynyard CARRES Facility Request:

Karakochuk – that we authorize waiving facility fees for Wynyard CARRES for use of Town facilities for their Youth Summer Program, in the event of bad weather days, as long as the facility is not in use by another group.

CARRIED

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#25/25 SUMAssure Insurance Premiums:

Karakochuk - that we approve the renewal of the 2025 SUMAssure insurance package at a net cost of \$142,074.

CARRIED

#26/25 Correspondence:

Neal – that we receive and file the correspondence as per the list attached hereto.

CARRIED

#27/25 Mayor Hoytfox's Report:

Melnychuk – that we receive Mayor Hoytfox's Report as presented.

CARRIED

#28/25 Councillor Karakochuk's Report:

Melnychuk - that we receive Councillor Karakochuk's Report as presented.

CARRIED

#29/25 Councillor Stefankiw's Report:

Karakochuk - that we receive Councillor Stefankiw's Report as presented.

#30/25 Move Meeting "In Camera":

Melnychuk – that we halt the Council meeting and move "in camera" to discuss Human Resource topics.

CARRIED

The meeting is halted at 8:31 PM, DLS Stefanson leaves Council Chambers, and the Zoom meeting is halted.

Mayor Hoytfox calls the meeting back to order at 8:43 PM.

#31/25 Adjourn:

Neal – that we adjourn the meeting. (8:44 p.m.)

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer