

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the council of the R.M. of Willner, No. 253 held at the RM Office in Davidson, SK on Thursday, April 11, 2024 commencing at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Reeve Len Palmer, Councillors Neil Palmer, Ellen Symington, Martin Cammer, Rich Kowalski, Matt Arend, Foreman, Steven Low, Yvonne (Bonny) Goodsman and Administrator Michelle Bublish
Regrets: Councillor Barlow

84/24 Call to Order: Len Palmer: That as a quorum is present this meeting is called to order.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

85/24 Agenda: Martin Cammer: That the agenda be adopted as amended to add:
Under 10. Report of Public Works add:
 5. Foreman's Report
Under 11. Reeve and Councillor's Forum add:
 5. SHA Meeting Report (Councillor Palmer)
 6. Davidson Health Trust Meeting Report (Reeve Palmer)
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There is no conflict of interest declared at this time regarding agenda items.

86/24 Minutes: Neil Palmer: That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 14, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. be hereby approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

87/24 Corresp: Ellen Symington: That the correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed.
 Gov't of SK – 2024 Education Mill Rates
 SARM – Rural Dart
 Hudson Bay Route Assoc. – AGM June 6 & 7
 APAS – Update
 CN – Annual Vegetation Management Program
 SARM – Convention Info.
 CATPC – Minutes of Nov 22/23 meeting
 CATPC – AGM April 24/23 in Davidson & 2024 Membership
 SHA – Newsletter & Program updates
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

88/24 Membership: Neil Palmer: That Council will purchase a 2024 Membership with CATPC for \$200.00.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

89/24 Financials: Neil Palmer: That the Statement of Financial Activities, Accounts Paid, Employee Payroll Summary for the month of March 2024 be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

90/24 A/P: Martin Cammer: That Accounts Payable, Employee Bi-Weekly Payroll Summary for the month of April 2024 be approved for payment and attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

91/24 Bank Recs: Ellen Symington: That Bank Reconciliation for the month of March 2024 be accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

92/24 Personnel: Matt Arend: That council authorizes hiring Mr. Dean Stoian as seasonal maintenance equipment operator for a wage of \$25.00 per hour with employment to commence at discretion of foreman, with 13-week probationary period (will be extended if required). Further, that upon successful completion of the probationary period, the regular benefit package will be available to the employee.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Matt Arend declared a conflict of interest regarding dust control and left the meeting at 1:40 pm. Any resolution made may affect a family member. Councillor Arend returned at 1:43 pm.

93/24 RIRG: Neil Palmer: That council acknowledges information on upcoming RIRG Funding available.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Steven Low presented the Foreman's Report.

94/24 Peterbilt: Ellen Symington: That council authorizes selling the 2007 Peterbilt Semi for approximately \$30,000.00 to \$35,000.00. Further, to be advertised locally and on RM Website.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

95/24 HiLine Mower: Len Palmer: That council authorizes advertising the 2017 Hi-Line Mower for sale for approximately \$15,000.00. Further, to be advertised locally and on RM Website.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

96/24 Report: Martin Cammer: That council accepts the foreman's report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Cammer presented the ORC Meeting Report

97/24 ORC: Matt Arend: That RM253 supports recommendations of ORC Committee with council authorizing contracting Donald Wedrick as ORC Attendant for \$16.50 per hour. The 2024 ORC Season will begin on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 and close October 18, 2024; hours of operation will be Wednesdays and Thursdays 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (closed at lunch)and Fridays 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Further, council authorizes contracting Protex Environmental for Used Oil and plastics pick up at the ORC: subject to approval of RM 252 and Town of Davidson.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Kowalski presented the Davidson Rec Committee Report

98/24 Report: Ellen Symington: That council accepts the Rec Committee Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fire Board Meeting Report presented by Administrator

99/24 Report: Len Palmer: That council accepts the Fire Board Meeting Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve Len Palmer presented the Highway #11 Corridor Study Meeting Report

100/24 Report: Matt Arend: That council accepts the Highway #11 Meeting Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Palmer presented the Saskatchewan Health Authority Meeting Report

101/24 Report: Ellen Symington: That council accepts the SHA Meeting Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve Len Palmer presented a report on the Davidson Health Trust Foundation Meeting

102/24 Report: Martin Cammer: That council accepts the Davidson Health Trust Meeting Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

103/24 Lease/Purchase: Len Palmer: That council defer discussion on Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways regarding the lease agreement or potential purchase with SK Highway for gravel stockpiling at NE 21-27-01 W3 until May 2024 Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

104/24 Gravel: Matt Arend: That council authorizes Reeve Len Palmer and Councillor Neil Palmer to investigate future gravel requirements with the land owner of NW 13-28-29 W2M.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

105/24 Child Care: Matt Arend: That council defer discussion on a donation to Davidson Child Care Inc.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

106/24 Janitor: Rich Kowalski: That council authorize Administration to make contract offer for janitorial services for the inside and outside of the RM Office and RSC Centre to Dennis Cullo for \$1,200.00 per month, provided RM252 agrees to same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

107/24 RSC Bldg: Neil Palmer: That council authorize Administration to contact Diakow Plumbing to relocate the chimney stack to the side of the RSC Building. Further, that council authorize Administration to contract Dan Gray to perform minor repairs to the RSC building; provided RM252 agrees to same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

108/24 RM Office: Ellen Symington: That council authorize Administration to hire pest control services at the most economical, regarding the ant issue in the RM office.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Foreman, Steven Low, left the meeting at 4:39 pm.

109/24 Budget: Martin Cammer: That the 2024 budget be adopted as presented and accepted as follows:

Cash Budget Statement:

Accrued Revenue	\$ 1,567,558.00
Accrued Expenses	<u>\$(1,467,780.00)</u>
Revenue Over/(under) expenses	\$ 99,778.00
Increase/(Decrease) Capital over Expenditures	\$(1,261,044.00)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventory	<u>\$ 105,000.00</u>
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Financials	<u>\$ (1,056,266.00)</u>

Accrual Budget Statement:

Transferred to/(from) Unappropriated Surplus	\$ (411,266.00)
Transferred to/(from) Appropriated Reserves	\$ (750,000.00)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in TCA	<u>\$ 1,261,044.00</u>
Increase/(Decrease) in Accumulated Surplus	<u>\$ 99,778.00</u>

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 110/24 **Mill Rate:** **Matt Arend:** That council establishes the mill rate at 7.5 mills for 2024.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 111/24 **5 Year Cap:** **Matt Arend:** That council adopts the five-year capital budget as presented by the Administrator for the years 2024 to 2028.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 112/24 **Voter List:** **Ellen Symington:** That Council acknowledges receipt of amendments to the Local Government Election Act. Further, council declines the need for a voter’s registry at this time.
DEFEATED

- 113/24 **CCBF:** **Neil Palmer:** That council authorizes Administration to submit IIP for replacement of the air conditioning unit in the RM Office.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 114/24 **PBI:** **Rich Kowalski:** That council authorizes Joshua Nitz, Class 3 Licensed building Official and Cristin Korchinski, R-Class 2 Licensed building office as an employee of Professional Building Inspections, Inc. be appointed as a building Inspector for the Municipality.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 115/24 **Policy:** **Martin Cammer:** That council accepts the Workplace Violence Prevention Policy and Prevention Plan as presented by Administration.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 116/24 **SMHI:** **Martin Cammer:** That council acknowledges and approves receipt of Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance 2024 Withdrawal List and authorizes Reeve and CAO to sign same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 117/24 **SARM Ins:** **Len Palmer:** That council directs administration to obtain quotes on RM Buildings for SARM Insurance purposes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 118/24 **Adjourn:** **Len Palmer:** That this meeting be adjourned at 4:54 p.m. and the next meeting of council is scheduled for Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the R.M. Office, Davidson, Sask.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve

Administrator