

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, January 9, 2025 commencing at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Reeve Len Palmer, Councillors Shane Shearwood, Ellen Symington, Martin Cammer, Rob Allan, Rich Kowalski and Foreman Steven Low and Administrator Michelle Bublish
Regrets: **Councillor** Steven Barlow

- 01/25 Call to Order:** **Len Palmer:** That as a quorum is present this meeting is called to order.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 02/25 Agenda:** **Martin Cammer:** That the agenda be adopted as amended.
Under 10. Pub Works add:
1. Land Rental Tender
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- There is no conflict of interest declared at this time regarding agenda items.**
- 03/25 Minutes:** **Ellen Symington:** That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on December 11, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. be hereby approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 04/25 Correspond:** **Rich Kowalski:** That the correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed.
1) SARM – 2025 Membership fee info
2) Ratepayer – Email Dec 11/24
3) SARM – Rural Sheaf, Dec. 31/24
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 05/25 Financials:** **Martin Cammer:** That the Statement of Financial Activities, Accounts Paid, Employee Payroll Summary and Council Indemnity and Bank Reconciliation for the month of December 2024 be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 06/25 A/P:** **Ellen Symington:** That Accounts Payable, Employee Bi-Weekly Payroll Summary for the month of January 2025 be approved for payment and attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 07/25 Schedule 10:** **Martin Cammer:** That council authorizes Schedule 10 of the Financial Statement to be included with the 2025 Tax Notice Insert.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 08/25 Bonds:** **Shane Shearwood:** That upon presentation by the Administrator of the Fidelity Bonds, Securities, Titles and Agreements, we accept the same as in order for the year.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 09/25 Library:** **Ellen Symington:** That Mary Smillie be hereby appointed to represent the Municipality on the Board of the Palliser Regional Library, Davidson Branch and be paid \$600.00 per year.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 10/25 Fuel Tender:** **Martin Cammer:** That the municipality tender for their fuel requirements for 2025, and further that the invitation for tender be sent to Riverbend Co-operatives Limited and McRae Farm Services Ltd. To be presented for council consideration at the March 2025 Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 11/25 TIP Grant:** **Martin Cammer:** That the population of the municipality be allocated as follows for the purpose of the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Initiative Program for 2025:
Davidson Recreation Board: 293 population
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 12/25 Rec Grant:** **Ellen Symington:** That the municipality allocates the recreation grant in the following manner for 2025: Davidson Recreation Board: \$20,000.00
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 13/25 Road Bans:** **Len Palmer:** That the Administrator is to inform Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways And Infrastructure that the municipality wishes to withdraw from the 2025 "Spring Road Bans".
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 14/25 SARM:** **Ellen Symington:** That discussion regarding the SARM convention in Saskatoon, SK be deferred to the Council Meeting in February 2025.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 15/25 SMHI Del:** **Martin Cammer:** That discussion regarding appointment of the official delegate for The Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Association Annual Convention be deferred to the Council Meeting in February 2025.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 16/25 Election:** **Martin Cammer:** That for 2025, Michelle Bublish be appointed Returning Officer and that

the Deputy Returning Officer of the Municipality be Denise Brecht further that the polling place be as follows: Division 1 through 6 inclusive be at the municipal office in Davidson SK on the set date as prescribed by *The Municipalities Act*. Further, staff compensation shall be restricted to their annual salary. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

17/25 Election: **Martin Cammer**: That council establishes compensation for appointed election officials, who are not currently employed by the municipality, at \$200.00 per day and \$0.62/km **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Steven Low presented the Foreman Report.

18/25 Employee Ad:**Ellen Symington**:That council authorizes placing an employment ad for a seasonal grader operator in the local newspaper, RM website and on Sask Jobs. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

19/25 Report: **Rich Kowalski**: That council accepts the Foreman Report as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

20/25 Land Rental Tender: **Martin Cammer**: That council authorizes running an ad for Land Rental Tenders on the NW/SW 05-28-28 W2 located in the RM of McCraney. Further, tenders will be reviewed at the March Council Meeting **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

21/25 Gravel Crush:**Ellen Symington**:That council acknowledges Gravel Crush Tender Package and will review tenders at the February 13, 2025 Council Meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

22/25 Bylaw: **Shane Shearwood**:That Bylaw No. 01/2025 being a bylaw to provide for the municipality to enter into a Fire Service Agreement with the Village of Elbow be read a first time. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

23/25 **Martin Cammer**:That Bylaw No. 01/2025 being a bylaw to provide for the municipality to enter into a Fire Service Agreement with the Village of Elbow be read a second time. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

24/25 **Ellen Symington**:That Bylaw No. 01/2025 being a bylaw to provide for the municipality to enter into a Fire Service Agreement with the Village of Elbow be given a third reading at this meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

25/25 **Rich Kowlaski**: That Bylaw No. 01/2025 being a bylaw to provide for the municipality to enter into a Fire Service Agreement with the Village of Elbow be read a third time and adopted. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

26/25 Health Ben: **Rob Allan**: That council authorizes amending Resolution 270/24 as follows: Delete: "\$550.00" Insert: "\$800.00" **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

27/25 Adjourn: **Len Palmer**: That this meeting be adjourned at 2:43 p.m. and the next meeting of council is scheduled for Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the R.M. Office, Davidson, Sask. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve

Administrator