

Minutes of the Village of Bulyea Council Meeting
held Thursday, December 22, 2022 at the Municipal Office of Bulyea, Saskatchewan.

Present:

Mayor:	Darren Cameron	Administrator:	Sherry Beatty-Henfrey
Councillors:	Rodney Glass		
	Brian Gorrill		
	Linda Dmyterko	Maint./WTP Operator:	Radford Taylor
	Cynthia Lovequist		

Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Cameron called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes:

249/22 Glass That the regular minutes of the council meeting held on November 16, 2022, is accepted. **Carried**

Staff Report:

250/22 Lovequist That the verbal staff report provided by the Maintenance/WTP Operator and Administrator is accepted as presented. **Carried**

Correspondence:

251/22 Dmyterko That the following correspondence be filed and accepted as read.

1. Hall Donation – Theatre Group - \$500.00
2. Cemetery Donation – Aviva Joel (Memory of Arthur Lloyd Yung - \$100.00
3. Parkland Regional Library – Letter to Council
4. SUMA’s Virtual Sector Meeting – January 31, 2023

252/22 Dmyterko That we send letter of support to change the Municipal Election date as per the information received from SUMA. **Carried**

Financial Reports:

253/22 Gorrill That we approve the November 2022 Financial Statement & Bank Reconciliation for the Village. **Carried**

Accounts:

254/22 Glass That the list of Accounts for approval for November 2022 be approved for payment and attached for the Village. **Carried**

255/22 Lovequist That the list of Accounts for approval for November 2022 be approved for payment and attached for the Hall. **Carried**

Committee Reports:

Transportation Services: Councillor Glass gave a verbal report.

- Radford put grader in road gear and put the blade back. He did the whole town in less than 2 hours.
- He has troubles with the plow every year. We should have kept the old plow.
- Got grader started works great. Only use the blower in fresh snow.

- Will need to add more gravel to the budget. Its going to take 5 loads to do the streets and half loads to do the rest of the alleys.

Utilities: Councillor Gorrill gave a verbal report.

- Water is excellent. Nothing new to report.
- Still looking into quotes for the lagoon.

Hall: Councillor Dmyterko gave a verbal report.

- No meeting. Nothing to report.

Health: Councillor Lovequist gave a verbal report.

- Tiffany has resigned. She is now working at the cancer lodge in the city. Lana Chitwood took over her position.
- No update from SHA.
- The meeting with the stakeholders regarding the residents of Last Mountain Pioneer Home was very beneficial. Pharmacist in Strasbourg is very pleased with changes since that meeting and in her opinion rounds every 2 weeks seem to be working out fine. Unable to connect with the clinical nurse lead or site leader to get their opinions but hope is that this will work out well and create a few more available appointments for our providers every week.
- Jennelle has another NP student with her now. She is very busy with the student program and is a wealth of knowledge for her students. She has been using the extra office.
- Continue to operate at a deficit due to having an extra nurse on every second Wednesday. Waiting on more information to move forward with applying for additional funds. Will be reaching out to the Executive Director for this information.
- Having an issue order supplies from the AIMS supply management ordering system.

Environment: Mayor Cameron gave a verbal report.

- LMRL meeting is coming up. Last meeting was held in Earl Grey.
- Finished with the contractor, everything is approved. Looking at different avenues to generate money.
- No free day for the landfill is being pushed. Nothing is free, it still costs the landfill money.
- Jenna is looking to leave the landfill. She was the project manager for the new pit and now its completed. Lasette got hired, she will stay on until she is trained.

Protection Services: Mayor Cameron gave a verbal report.

- Attended Protection Service Committee meeting on November 30, 2022.
- Money not being put towards new hall. This is due to more volunteers, more added training, more variables with increased costs.
- Fire Suppression Agreements are being re-signed every 2 years instead of 3.
- Discussed changes from 2019 agreement to 2022. Many changes due to the Fire Safety Act to reflect priorities and to better manage financial risks and reflect inflation on both Strasbourg and the customers.

- Changed calculations for each customer's fire suppression services levy from using their taxable assessment to using their total assessment for the serviced area.
- Fire call-out rates increased from \$5,000.00 to \$7,000.00 and \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00 per hour to cover increased response costs.
- Town water usage going up from \$5.00 to \$6.00/100 gallons to reflect Strasbourg's Water Treatment Costs.
- False alarm fee from \$5.00 to \$6.00/km to cover increased fuel costs.
- SDFR assistance with STARS landing is now \$500.00.
- Strasbourg is still solely responsible for all capital costs and customers are only required to pay an annual fee and applicable call out fees.
- SDFR remains as an Offensive Fire and Rescue service and the SDFR and Strasbourg are not prepared to lower their service level offered to the region by lowering the capabilities of the SDFR at this time. The SDFR has attended several building calls where the capability of offense response has allowed them to save the building.
- We benefit from having the SDFR truck in the Bulyea shop.
- Greg Yung noted that he has been in meetings with other Volunteer Fire Departments in Saskatchewan and lack of sufficient funding is moving other departments towards consideration of new funding models, including the use of Municipal Assessments.

Old Business:

Fire Suppression Agreement

256/22 **Glass** That the 2023 Fire Suppression agreement is approved. **Carried**

Bulyea/Strasbourg Fire Rental Agreement 2023

257/22 **Gorrill** That the 2023 Rental Agreement is approved. **Carried**

Annexation/Planning Consultant

258/22 **Dmyterko** That we return the annexation funds to Richard Duthie less the advertising and remuneration costs. All zoning and OCP changes will be done by the Admin and billed accordingly. **Carried**

Building Bylaw 06/22 – Building & Technical Standards Response

259/22 **Dmyterko** Tabled until the next meeting. **Carried**

New Business:

SGI Grant – due March 31, 2023

260/22 **Dmyterko** That the Village of Bulyea applies for the SGI Grant with the quotes received from Air Master Sales for 4 of the Evolution 15SD Solar Powered speed reader signs on the universal bracket system. **Carried**

Board of Revision Service Agreement

261/22 **Lovequist** Tabled until next meeting. **Carried**

Bylaw 05/22 – Establishment of the District Board of Revision

262/22 **Dmyterko** Tabled until next meeting. **Carried**

Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant – Declaration of Eligibility

263/22 Lovequist That the council of the Village of Bulyea confirms the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant.

- Submission of the 2021 Audited Financial Statement to the Ministry of Government Relations;
- Submission of the 2021 Public Reporting on Municipal Waterworks to the Ministry of Government Relations.
- In Good Standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes;
- Adoption of Council Procedures Bylaw;
- Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct; and
- All members of council have filed and annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements, as required; and

That we authorize the Administrator to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations.

Carried

Reserve Transfer

264/22 Gorrill That \$3,486.00, traffic gravel and delivery charge from Agra excavating, is transferred from the transportation reserve into the Village chequing account to cover the payment issued for Lorry Lane repair. **Carried**

2022 Performance Reviews and 2023 Wage

265/22 Dmyterko That we enter into a closed session at 10:13 p.m. to discuss performance reviews and wage. **Carried**

266/22 Lovequist That we returned from closed session at 10:52 p.m. **Carried**

267/22 Glass That Sherry Beatty-Henfrey's rate of pay is reflected only by the cost of living increase of 4% effective January 1, 2023. **Carried**

268/22 Dmyterko That Radford Taylor's rate of pay is reflected only by the cost of living increase of 4% effective January 1, 2023. **Carried**

Other:

269/22 Dmyterko That the Village of Bulyea Monthly Safety Inspection document is approved. **Carried**

Adjournment:

270/22 Dmyterko That this meeting adjourn. (11:05 p.m.) **Carried**

Mayor

Administrator