



MINUTES – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Meeting of Valley Waters Council was held on May 7, 2024, 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Those present were Mayor Randy McKnight, Deputy Mayor Ann Marie Snyder, Councillors Harold Keith, Carey Beth Gillis, Lindsey Ganong, Charity McDonald, and Stephen Muir.

Staff: Angela McLean and Jackie Clement

Motion: To approve the May 7th, 2024, meeting agenda.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder

Seconded by: Councillor Gillis

MOTION CARRIED

No recording of Conflicts of Interest

Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 9, 2024, Regular Meeting.

Moved by: Councillor McDonald

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

MOTION CARRIED

Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 9, 2024, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Ganong

Seconded by: Councillor Keith

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Dwayne Boyd, Regional Development Coordinator for Threads of Life Canada made a presentation to Canada on the number of families affected by workplace death and injuries.

Deputy Mayor Snyder requested that the CAO post a link to the Threads of Life website on the Valley Waters Facebook page.

CAO's REPORT:

The CAO's Report was presented. Deputy Mayor Snyder inquired if RSC services for By Law Enforcement were included in our fees. The CAO indicated they are not, but will make a formal request for it. The CAO provided the Jan-April financials by Sub-Unit, with the understanding that not all expenses are invoiced on the same schedule, and therefore the ytd results are not a true reflection of the overall situation. While it is early in the year, projections are on target.

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION, AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS:

A. Motion: To proceed to 3rd Reading, by summary – Subdivision By-Law 24-12-01

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder Seconded by: Councillor Gillis

MOTION CARRIED

By-Law 24-12-01, Subdivision By-Law, was read a 3rd time by summary and enacted.

B. Motion: To proceed to 1st and 2nd Reading, by title – Fire Protection By-Law 24-14-01

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder Seconded by: Councillor Ganong

MOTION CARRIED

By-Law 24-14-01, Fire Protection By-Law, was read a 1st and 2nd time, by title.

C. Motion: To proceed to 1st and 2nd Reading, by title – Noise By-Law 24-15-01

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder Seconded by: Councillor Gillis

MOTION CARRIED

By-Law 24-15-01 Noise By-Law, was read a 1st and 2nd time, by title.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A. KRSC Building Permit Report, March 2024

B. Donation Request – Hospice Sussex

Motion: To donate \$200 to Hospice Sussex

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder Seconded by: Councillor Ganong

MOTION CARRIED

C. Letter from Heart & Stroke Foundation of NB to inform us about door-to-door canvassing in the area.

D. RCMP Quarterly Report to Kings RSC which, in the future, will come directly to Council.

NEW BUSINESS & CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS:

A. Introduction of Purchasing Policy. Council are to review the policy and make any suggestions or recommendations before next meeting.

B. Motion: To award the June 2024-December 2026 Residential Solid Waste Hauling contract for the former village of Norton to L'il Truckin' Aarons for the contract price of \$230,880.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder Seconded by: Councillor Keith

MOTION CARRIED

C. Motion: To allocate the \$1,680 grant from Canadian Heritage for Canada Day activities throughout Valley Waters as follows:

\$800 to Belleisle Valley Celebrates Canada Day in Valley Waters

\$600 to Norton Rec Council

\$280 to Belyea's Cove Community Hall (for Wickham activities)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Snyder Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

MOTION CARRIED

D. Motion: That the municipality of Valley Waters submit to the Capital Borrowing Board an application for authorization to borrow for a capital expense for the following purpose, term, and amount:

Purpose: Protective Services: (b) Firetruck

Amount: not to exceed \$830,000

Term: 12 years

Moved by: Councillor Gillis

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Snyder

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS, MAYOR'S AND COUNCILLORS' REMARKS:

A. RSC Committees - Mayor McKnight and Councillor McDonald indicated that there were two letters submitted to the Town of Sussex from the Regional Facilities Committee for consideration to add two more facilities to the list of Regional Rec. Facilities: the 8th Hussars Arena and the tennis courts. Sussex will need to decide if they want to have them added to the list or not. This has not been approved yet and just in the discussion stages.

This discussion led to questions regarding Councillors' obligation and Code of Conduct when voting at an RSC Committee or Board they belong to. The CAO will seek clarification on fiduciary responsibility and also addressed Council on proper meeting etiquette, reminding Council of the requirement to address the Chair (Mayor) rather than conversing between themselves. Mayor McKnight tabled the discussion, and proposed to re-address it at a future meeting.

Deputy Mayor Snyder reported that the Solid Waste Committee was going to speak to the RSC Board regarding significant upgrades required at the transfer station building. Councillor Muir attended the Nutrien Centre Board meeting and said it was a positive meeting and that the new Manager is doing a great job considering she did inherit a \$200,000 deficit.

B. UMNZB Zone Reps - Councillors Ganong and Keith will be attending the Zone 3 UMNZB meeting on May 16 in Grand Bay. Other Councillors are welcome to attend but need to register in advance. There will be a presentation on Wildfire Management.

C. Valley Waters Advisory Committees - Mayor McKnight indicated that there have been various Advisory Committee meetings and that they anxiously await the results of the survey with hopes to get more copies of the survey out to the public through local churches and organizations.

MOTION: To adjourn at 8:02 P.M. Moved by: Councillor Muir


MAYOR


CLERK/TREASURER