

**VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**June 15, 2023**

Call to Order Mayor Richard Warren called the meeting To Order with Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette, Councillor Roy Krahulec, CAO Bernice Macyk and Public Works Foreman Don Rosa in attendance at 4:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**Delegations**

Sgt Anita Doktor Sgt. Anita Doktor is the new Sgt. at the Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment.

- Background information.
- New RCMP member coming to Smoky Lake.
- Discussion of possible Corporal position at Smoky Lake.
- Smoky Lake Detachment is fully staffed.
- RCMP 150<sup>th</sup> – BBQ at Detachment in September.
- Town Hall Meetings – future host in Waskatenau.
- Council request to patrol more in Waskatenau.

Clayton Didier Clayton Didier is a resident and owns a Business in the Smoky Lake County.

- He purchased the old Pine Creek Post Office property and is converting the property to the “Pine Creek Retreat”. There will be a soft opening in August. Individual cabins are being built. Yoga will be offered at the retreat.
- He currently doing a job for Travel Alberta and handled the redesign of the website for Alberta’s Lakeland.
- His company is basically branding, marketing and website design.
- Trying to promote the area established as the Old Bears Reserve 125 near the Victoria Trail.
- His family is new to the area and wishes to become part of our community.
- Familiar with the Tourism Corp with the County/Town/Métis Crossing.

**Foreman’s Report**

Foreman's Report Don Rosa provided a written Foreman's report to Council. (copy attached).

Res. Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves to adopt the Foreman’s report. Carried.

**Public Participation Reports**

2023 Operating & Capital Budget; 2024-2026 Operating Plan; 5-year Capital Plan There are no delegations from the public in attendance at the Council meeting and no written comments were received by Administration. Administration presented the Public Participation report. The objective of the report is to provide all proceedings, findings and recommendations pertaining to the Public participation undertaken for the following: 2023 Operating & Capital Budget, 2024-2026 Operating Plan, 5-year Capital Plan.

Report presented: Public was provided an opportunity to review the Budgets and Plan and provide feedback on the Budgets and the Budget process.

Res. Mayor Richard Warren moves to accept the Public Participation Report for the 2023 Operating & Capital Budget; 2024-2026 Operating Plan and 5-year Capital Plan. Carried.

2023 Tax MillRate Bylaw #700-2023 There are no delegations from the public in attendance at the Council meeting and no written comments were received by Administration. Administration presented the Public Participation report. The objective of the report is to provide all proceedings, findings and recommendations pertaining to the Public participation undertaken for the following: 2023 Tax MillRate Bylaw #700-2023.

Report presented: Public was provided an opportunity to review the 2023 Tax MillRate Bylaw #700-2023 and provide feedback on the Bylaw, Taxation, Assessment and the Bylaw process.

- Res. Mayor Richard Warren moves to accept the Public Participation Report for the 2023 Tax MillRate Bylaw #700-2023. Carried.
- Agenda  
Res. Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves to adopt the Agenda. Carried.
- Regular Meeting  
Res. Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to adopt the Minutes of the May 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. Carried.
- Regular Meeting  
Res. Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to adopt the Minutes of the May 23, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. Carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Cancel Public Auction  
Res. Mayor Richard Warren moves that Village of Waskatenau cancel the Tax Recovery Public Auction set for September 26, 2023 for Tax Roll #20400 described as S 55' Block 10B, Plan 5755 HW. Carried.
- Annexation  
Res. The Smoky Lake County advised the meeting dates provided to the them by the Village of Waskatenau were not good dates. Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves to send the Smoky Lake County an email requesting them to provide the Village of Waskatenau with 3 to 4 dates for a meeting for Annexation discussion. Carried.
- Waskatenau  
Community Centre  
Power for EVC  
Res. Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to table the item for the Waskatenau Community Centre – power charges for the Electric Vehicle Chargers until the next regular Council meeting; and Ty-wire Electrical will do some research for meters for the EVC units. Carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- ICF Bylaw  
#701-2023  
Res.122-2023  
First Reading.  
Res.  
Second Reading  
Res.  
Consent  
Res.  
Third Reading  
Res.  
Mayor Richard Warren moves that Assent be given for the introduction of Bylaw #701-2023 to adopt the Smoky Lake Region Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF). Carried unanimously.  
Mayor Richard Warren moves that Bylaw #701-2023 receive First Reading. Carried unanimously.  
Councillor Roy Krahulec moves that Bylaw #701-2023 receive Second Reading. Carried unanimously.  
Mayor Richard Warren moves that Bylaw #701-2023 be presented at this meeting for Third Reading. Carried unanimously.  
Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette that Bylaw #701-2023 receive Third Reading and it be declared final passing and the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer affix the corporate seal of the Village. Carried unanimously.
- ISDAB Bylaw  
#702-2023  
Res.  
First Reading.  
Res.  
Second Reading  
Res.  
Consent  
Res.  
Third Reading  
Res.  
Mayor Richard Warren moves that Assent be given for the introduction of Bylaw #702-2023 to establish an intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. Carried unanimously.  
Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves that Bylaw #702-2023 receive First Reading. Carried unanimously.  
Mayor Richard Warren moves that Bylaw #702-2023 receive Second Reading. Carried unanimously.  
Mayor Richard Warren moves that Bylaw #702-2023 be presented at this meeting for Third Reading. Carried unanimously.  
Councillor Roy Krahulec that Bylaw #702-2023 receive Third Reading and it be declared final passing and the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer affix the corporate seal of the Village. Carried unanimously.
- Lift Station  
Council discussion with Administration and Public Works in regards to the following items at the Lift Station: Generator, Alarm System, and Propane Tank. The MPE Engineer's Infrastructure Study for the Lift Station will be reviewed at a future Council meeting.
- Commercial Business  
Incentives  
Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves that Council set a meeting date on July 13, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. to discuss ideas for commercial business attraction and incentives. Carried.

Break-In at Ball Diamond Garage	An insurance claim has been filed for the break-in and theft on June 1, 2023 at the white garage building located at the ball diamond.
JMD Group Auditor Letter of Resignation	A letter was received from the Village of Waskatenau Auditors JMD Group on June 12, 2023 stating they are resigning as auditors for our municipality effective immediately. They are currently experiencing audit staff constraints and their decision to resign as our auditors is due to internal reasons and not due to any issues arising from performing our audit.
Res.	Councillor Roy Krahulec moves that Village of Waskatenau accepts the letter received from JMD Group for information purposes and requests that Administration pursue a new Auditor for the Village of Waskatenau. Carried.
Canada Day Celebration	The Village of Waskatenau will be hosting a Canada Day Celebration on July 01, 2023 at the Pine Creek Ball Diamond.
Financial Statement	No Financial Report.
Correspondence	Pepper's Petro Canada – meeting with County/Village – parking lot. RHPAP High School event – October 2023. Smoky Lake County – amendments to Land Use Bylaw.
Correspondence Res.	Mayor Richard Warren moves the correspondence presented at this meeting be adopted as read and filed for information. Carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Smoky Lake Foundation	Mayor Richard Warren attended the Smoky Lake Foundation meeting on May 19, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• One vacancy at Waskatenau Manor.</li><li>• The water piping was replaced in Waskatenau Pine Creek Manor.</li><li>• The budget is currently on track.</li><li>• The recent inspection at Bar-V Nook was all good.</li><li>• An Evacuation Plan will be prepared for the Lodges.</li></ul>
Evergreen Waste	Mayor Richard Warren attended the Evergreen Waste meeting on May 25, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Further research is being done for the new cell construction using recycled tires. The research looks promising.</li><li>• A new cell will be constructed in Year 2024. The current cells are lasting longer than anticipated.</li><li>• GIC to be re-invested.</li><li>• Loader in for repair.</li><li>• A presentation was made by Omni-Cann for providing future engineering services. The presentation included a history of the site.</li><li>• Closed Session.</li></ul>
JMM	Mayor Richard Warren, Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette, Councillor Roy Krahulec and Bernice Macyk attended the JMM on June 12, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment update and introduction of new Sgt. Anita Doktor.</li><li>• MLA Glenn van Dijken update.</li><li>• Presentation by the Métis Crossing on facility and economic attractions.</li><li>• School Board Trustee reports from Aspen View Schools and Lakeland Catholic Schools.</li><li>• Presentation from Alberta's Lakeland DMO, Travel Alberta.</li><li>• New Alberta's Lakeland website.</li><li>• Letter of support to re-open the Smoky Lake Courthouse proposed.</li><li>• Alberta Advantage Immigration Program.</li></ul>

- Provincial changes to Victim Services.
- Regional Strategic Plan – 13 ways – what is happening with this study.

Hwy 28/63 Water	<p>Councillor Roy Krahulec attended the Hwy 28/63 Water meeting on June 14, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utility contract is signed until Year 2028.</li> <li>• The gas costs at the Bellis station will be reviewed.</li> <li>• The two new members from Whitefish were not present at the meeting.</li> <li>• The new Warspite generator will be ready to operate by the end of June.</li> <li>• There are some warranty issues to be resolved.</li> <li>• Cost estimates will be gathered for updating the PLC.</li> <li>• Looking into getting a new CEO appointed.</li> </ul>
CAO Fire Services Negotiating	<p>Bernice Macyk attended the CAO Fire Services Negotiating meeting on June 14, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed the Smoky Lake Region Fire &amp; Rescue Call Attendance report.</li> <li>• Reviewed a proposed budget.</li> <li>• Referenced the proposed budget provided by Transitional Solutions Study.</li> <li>• Reviewed various Fire Departments in Alberta concepts – number of fire departments, funding formula and comments.</li> <li>• Transitional Solutions Master Plan – next steps to complete the grant and timeline.</li> <li>• The information discussed at the meeting will be brought to a future Intermunicipal Collaboration Committee meeting.</li> </ul>
Res.	<p>Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to adopt the Committee reports as presented. Carried.</p> <p><b><u>Executive Session</u></b> No Executive Session</p>
Accounts	<p>Attached Addendum for Accounts Payable for period May 19, 2023 to June 15, 2023.</p>
Res.	<p>Councillor Roy Krahulec moves the attached accounts be approved for payment in the amount \$51,898.20. Carried.</p>
Meeting Date	<p>Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves the next Regular Council Meeting will be on July 20, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. Carried.</p>
Adjournment Res.	<p>Mayor Richard Warren moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Carried.</p>

**VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU**

Per: \_\_\_\_\_  
**MAYOR**

Per: \_\_\_\_\_  
**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**