

VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU
Regular Council Meeting
December 14, 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 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
In Attendance: Jared Newman at 7:00 p.m.

Foreman's Report
Don Rosa provided a written Foreman's report to Council. (copy attached).
Res.256-2023 Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves to adopt the Foreman's report. Carried.

Delegations
Sgt. Anita Doktor from the Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment attended the Council meeting for general discussion.

- Reviewed general crime statistics from July – September 2023.
- Patrols are happening in Village at night.
- Complaints with on hold times with RCMOP operators. In the case of an emergency – Dial 9-11.
- Short-staffed for all Northern Alberta for operators.
- Working on fraud case.
- Officers are going to the Schools in County and having lunch with the students.
- Community Engagement in Smoky Lake on January 16, 2024 for Crime Prevention.

Res.257-2023 Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to accept the verbal report by Sgt. Anita Doctor of the Smoky Lake RCMP for information purposes. Carried.

Smoky Lake RCMP Waskatenau Town Hall Meeting
Res.258-2023 Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves the Smoky Lake RCMP holds a Town Hall Meeting in Waskatenau on February 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Waskatenau Community Centre. Carried.

Delegations No attendance by Fire Chief Casey Caron.
No attendance by Resident Terry Meyers.

Agenda
Res.259-2023 Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves to adopt the Agenda. Carried.

Regular Meeting
Res.260-2023 Mayor Richard Warren moves to adopt the Minutes of the November 16, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

50th Avenue Bridge Level I Inspection
Res.261-2023 Mayor Richard Warren moves to contract Associated Engineering to complete a Level I Bridge Inspection (BIM) for the provincial reporting requirement in Year 2024. Carried.

50th Avenue Bridge Release Holdback
Res.262-2023 Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to release the 50th Avenue Bridge Holdback to Formula Alberta Ltd. in the amount of \$39,097.60, includes GST. Carried.
Council reviewed the final payment claim form for the Bridge Project that was submitted to Alberta Transportation for the remainder of the grant funding for the project.

Public Library Space New Holy Family School
Res.263-2023 Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinquette moves the Village of Waskatenau will not provide a funding commitment to build a Public Library space in the new Holy Family Replacement School; and to send a request to the Lakeland Roman Catholic Separate School Division asking them to execute an agreement with the Village of Waskatenau to move the

current Anne Chorney Public Library in the new School and share the space with the School Library. Carried.

Daycare Space
New Holy Family
School
Smoky Lake County
Res.264-2023

Mayor Richard Warren moves that Village of Waskatenau acknowledges the letter sent to the Lakeland Roman Catholic Separate School Division by the Smoky Lake County on November 30, 2023 stating the Smoky Lake County is not in a position to commit any funds towards the new Holy Family Catholic School project or Daycare. Carried.

Daycare Space
New Holy Family
School
Village of Waskatenau
Res.265-2023

Councillor Roy Krahulec moves that Village of Waskatenau sends a letter to the Lakeland Roman Catholic Separate School Division stating the Village of Waskatenau is not in a position to commit any funds towards a Daycare space in the New Holy Family Catholic School; as the capital cost for the new Daycare space is too large of an amount for the Village of Waskatenau to handle on our own without a partnership from the Smoky Lake County or outside investments; and recommends a design option for the future consideration of a Daycare is incorporated in the final design plans of the new School build for the integration of a Daycare in the Holy Family School. Carried.

Daycare Space
Public Library
Building
5111 – 52 Avenue
Res.266-2023

Councillor Roy Krahulec moves that Village of Waskatenau sends a letter to the Lakeland Roman Catholic Separate School Division to inquire if they would consider a partnership with the Village of Waskatenau for a Daycare space in the Anne Chorney Public Library building at 5111 – 52 Avenue; after the Public Library vacates the building to the new Holy Family School; or consider other options for the building. Carried.

Proposed Annexation
Res.267-2023

Mayor Richard Warren moves to accept the summary of Next Steps as recommended by Municipal Planning Services at the Village of Waskatenau and Smoky Lake County joint meeting held on October 24, 2023 for the proposed Annexation process with the Smoky Lake County as follows:

- Complete Assessment/Tax comparison for proposed properties.
- Contact Apex Utilities for their opinion for the gas services and infrastructure in the proposed annexed area.
- Contact Highway 28/63 Regional Water Services Commission to determine if there is enough water capacity to service the proposed annexation area.
- Municipal Planning Services will contact Alberta Transportation in regards to Highway #28 access for development.

Carried.

Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette left the Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

2023 Interim Budget
Res.268-2023

Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to adopt the 2023 Operating and Capital Budget as Interim Budget for Year 2024. Carried.

2023 Financial
Surplus
Res.269-2023

Councillor Roy Krahulec to transfer 100% of the 2023 Financial year-end surplus, if any, to the Water Plant Upgrade Reserve Account. Carried.

2023 Fire Chief
Honorarium
Res.270-2023

Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to approve the 2023 Fire Chief Honorarium in the amount of \$900.00. Carried.

2023 Employee
Travel Honorariums
Res.271-2023

Mayor Richard Warren moves to approve the 2023 Employee Travel Honorariums as follows:
Bernice Macyk - \$400.00
Don Rosa - \$400.00
Ken Krahulec - \$200.00
Carried.

Engine Retarder Brakes	Administration provided Council with the guidelines received from Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation for the procedures to have signage installed to reduce noise levels for Engine Retarder Brakes along the Highway. Alberta Transportation also provided a cost estimate for the signs and installation for information purposes.
Res.272-2023	Mayor Richard Warren moves to send out a Public notice to the Residents and Businesses advising what the procedures are to have signage installed for Engine Retarder Brakes along Highway #28 as provided to the Village of Waskatenau by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation. Carried.
2023 FCSS Applications Res.273-2023	Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to approve 2023 FCSS Funding as follows: Waskatenau & District Legion Branch #261 - \$400.00 Anne Chorney Public Library - \$500.00 Carried.
Amend 2023 MSI Operating Spending Plan Res.274-2023	Mayor Richard Warren moves to rescind Motion #103-2023 completed at the May 23, 2023 Council meeting and to adopt the 2023 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Spending Plan in the amount of \$52,414.00 as follows: Water Operations - \$20,000.00 Streets and Sidewalks - \$20,000.00 Recreation - \$7,414.00 Planning and Development - \$5,000.00 Carried.
Financial Statement Res.275-2023	Councillor Roy Krahulec moves the November 30, 2023 Financial Statement be adopted for information purposes. Carried.
New Heritage Sign Res.276-2023	Councillor Roy Krahulec moves to approve payment for the new Heritage Sign to the Smoky Lake County in the amount of \$2,531.54. Carried.
Correspondence	Smoky Lake RCMP – Town Hall January 16, 2024 in Smoky Lake. Smoky Lake FCSS – Drive Happiness – update. AHS – emergency department closures. Lorne Halisky – New Doctor update. Smoky Lake County – proposed Land-Use Bylaw amendment. Virtual Town Hall meeting Alberta Municipalities. Victoria Home Guard – newsletter. Evergreen Waste Management – Alberta Recycling Management – registration for EPR program.
Extended Producer Responsibility Program Res. #277-2023	Mayor Richard Warren moves that Village of Waskatenau grant permission for Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission to register and fill out the application from for the Alberta Recycling Management Authority (ARMA) Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Program on the Village's Behalf. Carried.
Correspondence Res.278-2023	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 November 17, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organizational Meeting.• Pine Creek Manor – 1 vacancy; Waskatenau Manor – full.• Waskatenau Manor & Golden View new roofing has been moved to the spring time.• Meals on Wheels – program will start up again.• Bar-V-Nook – parking issues.• Homeland Housing will be contracted as the CAO for the Smoky Lake Foundation.
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Joint Meeting Village & Smoky Lake County Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette, Councillor Roy Krahulec and Bernice Macyk attended the joint Village of Waskatenau and Smoky Lake County meeting on November 21, 2023 for discussions with Joe Arruda, Superintendent of the Lakeland Catholic School Division in regards to funding a Daycare in the New HFCS Replacement School.

Hwy #28 Water Councillor Roy Krahulec attended the Hwy #28 Water meeting on December 6, 2023.

- Mileage rate has increased.
- Whitefish water licence to be determined by the end of January 2024.
- The funding for the Whitefish project is still being reviewed.
- Whitefish warranty letter will be sent to the Commission.
- Radway water line leak – rock under the pipe. The repair has been completed.
- Associated Engineering rates presented at the meeting.
- Commission Manager position will be posted.
- Water for Life Grant Application – new project for funding for the Scadia System upgrade. Project cost is approx. \$800,000.00-\$900,000.00. The grant is 90% funding.
- Private owner request to tap into the regional line.

Intermunicipal Collaboration Councillor Roy Krahulec attended the Intermunicipal Collaboration Meeting (ICC) on December 13, 2023.

- Cory Whitlock presentation to Committee.
- Fire Response time affects fire rating on structure.
- Regional set-up – Main front line pumper to be stationed in Smoky Lake – central.
- 10 weeks On-call – where do they live if outside resource hired.
- Proposed On-Call budget reviewed.
- Does not appear to be enough volunteer Firefighters in the area.
- Town of Taber is working on a regional system.
- Additional information is needed for the next meeting: 10 weeks On-Call; Two full-time Firefighters; Equalized Assessment utilizing TSI proposed budget.

Res.279-2023 Mayor Richard Warren moves to adopt the Committee reports as presented. Carried.

Executive Session
No Executive Session

Accounts Attached Addendum for Accounts Payable for period November 17, 2023 to December 14, 2023.

Res.280-2023 Councillor Roy Krahulec moves the attached accounts be approved for payment in the amount \$419,411.82. Carried.

Meeting Date Res.281-2023 Mayor Richard Warren moves the next Regular Council Meeting will be on January 18, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. Carried.

Adjournment Res.282-2023 Mayor Richard Warren moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Carried.

VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU

Per: _____
MAYOR

Per: _____
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER