

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor Brian Hedley, Deputy Mayor Parrott, Councillors Nadeau, Kostenchuk, Pottinger & Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchrony, ACAO Jodi Baker, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

Regrets: Councillor Gerrard

Guests: Rrain Prior, NACTV

1. 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Pre-Meeting Committee of the Whole.

Resolution: 2024-52

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit as a "Committee of the Whole In-Camera" at 5:00 p.m. to discuss planning and development matters.

CARRIED

Resolution: 2024-53

Kostenchuk/Pottinger

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do hereby adjourn the In-Camera session at 6:59 p.m.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2024-54

Kostenchuk/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for April 2, 2024.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2024-55

Pottinger/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 19, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Council Reports

4.1 Various – Mayor Hedley

- Extended thanks to HMK kids for the birthday card and congratulations to the Titans and High School Hockey for successful playoff runs.
- Has been actively attending meetings regarding housing, the community clinic and Dr. recruitment, as well as a Mid Western District Meeting.

4.2 Home Assistance Neepawa and District (HAND) – Councillor Kostenchuk

- Looking to purchase a new upright freezer and complete some renovations to the resource co-ordinator's office, which will include an air conditioning unit.
- Promoting programing through the Healthy Together Now program.

4.3 Farm & Leisure Lottery – Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Early Bird Draw winner is Muriel Gamey. All funds go to assist the Medical Clinic. Final Draw April 29.

4.4 Various – Councillor Nadeau

- Westlake Employment has seen an increase in clients with roughly 95% of those from Neepawa.

- Western Regional Library budget has been set, however they will be discussing the impact of the minimum wage change slated for October.

4.5 Recreation & Economic Development – Councillor Sisley

- Received a Participaction Grant for \$1000, which will be used to cover assist with promoting activities in Neepawa such as lap swim, aquafit, pickle ball, disc golf lessons etc.
- Community Expo is scheduled for April 9th with almost 30 organizations participating.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations – Denis Saquet

- Public Works staff continue to focus on seasonal work such as the steaming of culverts and pothole filling.
- Projects and construction are ongoing; currently involved in pre-tender discussions for 2024.

6. Finance

6.1 Accounts – March 2024

Resolution No. 2024-56

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for March 2024, totalling \$513,546.62 as reviewed and representing cheque #202400314 to #202400460, but excluding #202400362 and #202400452.

CARRIED

Mayor Hedley declared a conflict for the following resolution; vacated the room; returning at the close of discussion and debate. Deputy Mayor Parrott presided.

6.2 Accounts – March 2024 (Coop)

Resolution No. 2024-57

Sisley/Pottinger

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheques #202400362 and #202400452 for March 2024 to Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$7,591.18.

CARRIED

6.3 February 2024 Financial Statement

Resolution No. 2024-58

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statement for the month ended February 29, 2024.

CARRIED

6.4 Add Outstanding Utility Accounts to Taxes

Resolution No. 2024-59

Pottinger/Kostenchuk

WHEREAS Section 252(2) of The Municipal Act authorizes a municipality to collect debts in the same manner as a tax may be collected or enforced under the Act;

AND WHEREAS there are outstanding utility charges which remain unpaid and uncollectible;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the addition of the following outstanding utility accounts to the tax roll:

Roll Number	Utility Account Number	Amount
10500000	7000004	\$668.06
122000000	37400003	\$958.93
47100000	54800003	\$1,361.93

CARRIED

7. New Business - Nil


8. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2024-60

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:16 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn