MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

FOR THE VILLAGE OF HAY LAKES HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2021

VIA: ELECTRONICALLY - GOOGLE MEET

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Dawn Pauls; Councillor Megan Patten; Councillor Faye Leicht; and Councillor Ron These

ABSENT: Mayor Dave Vallee

PUBLIC PRESENT: No Public Present

MUNICIPAL RECORDER: Shannon Yearwood

DELEGATES: No Delegations

CALL TO ORDER: The Meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Pauls at 7:08 p.m.

RES 079-2021: AGENDA: Moved by Deputy Mayor Pauls to accept the Agenda as amended.

CARRIED

**Adoption of Minutes:**

Adoption of the May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes of Council.

RES 080-2021: Councillor Leicht moves to adopt the Minutes of the May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

CARRIED

Adoption of the June 10, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes of Council.

RES 081-2021: Deputy Mayor Pauls moved that the Special Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2021 be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

**Public Hearing for Bylaw 02-2021 – Tax Rate Bylaw**:

Deputy Mayor Pauls opened the Public Hearing for Bylaw 02-2021 – Tax Rate Bylaw at 7:13 p.m. and explained the public hearing process.

Deputy Mayor Pauls asked if any written submissions had been received regarding Bylaw 02-2021.

CAO Yearwood confirmed that no written or verbal submissions were received at this time.

Deputy Mayor Pauls invited anyone present to speak in favour of Bylaw 02-2021.

Deputy Mayor Pauls invited anyone present to speak in favour of proposed Bylaw 02-2021. for a second time, and a third time. No speakers came forward.

Deputy Mayor Pauls invited anyone present to speak against Bylaw 02-2021.

Deputy Mayor Pauls invited anyone present to speak against proposed Bylaw 02-2021 for a second time, and a third time. No speakers came forward.

The Public Hearing is required under Section 230 of the *Municipal Government Act* and provides the public with the opportunity to make presentations regarding the proposed Bylaw. Notice of the Public Hearing was provided to the residents of the Village of Hay Lakes in accordance with the MGA s. 606.

RES 082-2021: There being no further input Deputy Mayor Pauls moves to close the Public Meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Consideration of Bylaw 02-2021 – Tax Rate Bylaw. First Reading having been completed on June 10, 2021 council proceeds to Second and Third Readings.

RES 083-2021: Moved by Deputy Mayor Pauls that Bylaw 02-2021 – Tax Rate Bylaw be given second reading.

CARRIED UNANOMOUSLY

RES 084-2021: Moved by Councillor These that Bylaw 02-2021 – Tax Rate Bylaw be given third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANOMOUSLY

**Public Works Report:** Administration presents the Public Works Report.

RES 085-2021: Councillor These moved to have the Public Works Report accepted as presented.

CARRIED

**Administration Report:**

Administration presents the CAO Report for consideration by Council.

Administration discussed with Council the difficulties relating to compliance of bylaws and how best to proceed. Council agreed that any private property currently being maintained by the Village should be notified that the village will no longer maintain this property without a fee being collected. Administration instructed to move forward and send letters to land owners that are not complying with the Unsightly Properties Bylaw.

Administration also informed Council that Issa Demouni, owner of Hay Lakes Tempo Gas Station approached to inform that he is working with Co-op to remove the two existing older pumps and replace them with one new pump that will pump regular gas, premium gas and diesel.

RES 086-2021: Moved by Councillor Patten that Administration offer that the small piece of land that the Hay Lakes Tempo sign sits on be sold to the owner, Issa Demouni, for a nominal price and that Mr. Demouni pay all expenses related to the sale/purchase.

CARRIED

RES 087-2021: Moved by Deputy Mayor Pauls that council close the meeting to the public under section 17, Third party personal privacy, of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* at 7:58 p.m.

CARRIED

RES 088-2021: Moved by Deputy Mayor Pauls to open the meeting to the public and come out of camera under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* section 17 at 8:08 p.m.

CARRIED

RES 089-2021: Moved by Councillor Patten to accept the Manager’s Report and Action List as information.

CARRIED

**Financial Report:** The Financial Reports were presented and council expressed a desire to table the financial reports.

RES 090-2021: Moved by Deputy Mayor Pauls to table the Budgetary Control for May/June 2021; the General Ledger to date; Invoice Posting Audit Trail for the period ending May 31, 2021; the Invoice Posting Audit Trail for the period ending mid June; the GL Posting Audit Trail to May 31, 2021; May-June MasterCard Statement; and Bank Reconciliations for January, February, and March as information until the next Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

**Bylaws/Policies:** Administration discussed the current issues being faced by the village in bylaw enforcement issues. Camrose County has been contacted to give advice and assistance to administration regarding the route to have unsightly properties clean up. This is a difficult and very time consuming and labour intensive exercise. A Count Order is the final outcome that the municipality can use have the property clean up. This takes months of documentation and investigation. Administration is working with Camrose County bylaw to deliver letters to residents and a file will be opened on each property to see if we can encourage residents in this way.

**Business:**

* + - COVID-19: Councillor Patten updated Council and feels that even though the Province is lifting many of the restrictions on July 1 that caution still should be exercised.
    - Dog License Fines: Administration still trying to collect late licensing fees.
    - Weekend Pigeon Racing Complaints: Councillor Patten will attempt to reach out to the contact she has with the group of pigeon racing enthusiasts and let them know that the Village is receiving formal written complaints from residents.
    - Unsightly Properties: Discussed with bylaws.
    - Resident regarding Boulevard Trees and Fortis Grant: Reported that the Village received a $1,200.00 Grant from Fortis for trees. Administration instructed to go ahead with the replacement of three boulevard trees this year.

**Committee Reports:**

* + - Infrastructure:
    - Protective Services: Councillor Patten reported that there is nothing of significance to report.
    - Fire Department Report: Just starting to meet again in person at the Fire Hall
    - Development:
    - HARRB: Nothing to report
    - Ag Society: having address signs placed for first responders
    - Library:
    - Telegraph Park: Special Meeting, Wednesday, June 23, 2021 re: financials
    - Recreation Centre: waiting on CFEP Grant to proceed with renovation
    - School Council: Nothing to report.
    - Rural Crime Watch: No meeting scheduled at this time.
    - CRSWSC – Water Commission:

RES 091-2021: Moved by Councillor These to accept the Committee Reports as presented.

CARRIED

**Information and Correspondence:**

RES-092-2021: Moved by Deputy Mayor Pauls to have the Information and Correspondence accepted as information.

**Next Meeting of Council:**

The next Special Meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss Telegraph Park financials at the Rec Centre.

The next Regular Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, July 19, 2021 in person at the Rec Centre in order to give resident’s that are considering running for Council in October an opportunity to observe a Council meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

The being no further business to discuss Mayor Vallee adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

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Mayor Dave Vallee

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Chief Administrative Officer