

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
FOR THE VILLAGE OF HAY LAKES HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2022

AT THE HAY LAKES RECREATION CENTRE @ 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Ron These; Deputy Mayor Clifford Heinz; Councillor Paige Berkholtz; Councillor Levi Blanchard; and Councillor Paul Patterson

ABSENT:

PUBLIC PRESENT: Iva Harberg and Kimberlee Hunter

MUNICIPAL RECORDER: Shannon Yearwood

DELEGATES:

- Cory Zetson; Marie Stratuliak; Iva Harberg; Melanie Borys; and Sherry Krozser on behalf of the Hay Lakes Play School – Did Not Appear
- Kimberlee Hunter and Iva Harberg regarding the UFA Playground

CALL TO ORDER: The Meeting was called to order by Mayor These at 7:00 p.m.

RES 105-2022: AGENDA: Moved by Councillor Patterson to accept the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Delegations:

Iva Harberg and Kimberlee Hunter appeared to speak on behalf of both the Playschool and the UFA Playground Committee.

Playschool: Ms. Harberg asked Council to allow the playschool to use the land on the corner of Main Street and 3rd Avenue South as a play area for the children attending the playschool and eventually the afterschool program that they hope to begin in September. Council was concerned about fencing the area and Ms. Harberg assured Council that this was not a requirement although the Day Care will require a safety plan be implemented before opening. They are also required to provide the children a safe outside play area within 2 blocks for the Recreation Centre. Council has asked Administration to contact the Village insurance provider and find out if the Village is covered in this event. They will wait to hear from insurance holder to determine if this will cause any liability to the Village before making a Resolution to allow the playschool to proceed with using this property.

UFA Playground Committee: Ms. Harberg and Ms. Hunter then addressed council regarding the UFA Playground Committee. They have many parents that do want to sit on this Committee. Councillor Blanchard will be the Village Council Representative on this committee. This committee will be expected to form its own board and set up the schedule for meetings. Mayor These wants the committee to consider a rubber base for the playground as opposed to sand. Administration let the delegates know that the village has commissioned an engineer to provide drawings for the playground and that once those are produced they will provided to the committee as well as UFA to seek permission to move the playground from the Main Street Property to the foot of 3rd Avenue South.

Iva Harberg and Kimberlee Hunter left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Adoption of the Minutes from the Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, June 13, 2022: the minutes having been circulated and discussed were put forward for adoption.

RES 106-2022: Councillor Blanchard moved that the Minutes of the June 13, 2022, Special Meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Public Works Report: The Public Works report was presented by Administration.

RES 107-2022: Moved by Mayor These that the public works report be accepted as presented as information.

CARRIED

Administration Report: The Administration Report was presented to Council.

RES 108-2022: Moved by Deputy Mayor Heinz to accept the CAO Report presented as information.

CARRIED

Financial Report: The Financial Report was presented to Council by Administrator Yearwood.

RES 109-2022: Councillor Patterson moved that the Financial Report; consisting of the General Ledgers for the year to date; the MasterCard Statement for March/April; and the ATB Account Summaries all be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Councillor Blanchard left the meeting at 8:55 p.m. for a short break.

Councillor Blanchard returned to the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and the meeting resumed.

Bylaws/Policies:

Administration updated council regarding review of the following bylaws:

Unsightly Property Bylaw; LUB; and the Redistricting Bylaw. Consideration and development of a Financial Policy is also needed. Council has accepted this information and would like the financial information to include a month-end for the month before the meeting month.

Business:

- Development Approach: Administration Yearwood informed Council that she had spoken to a gentleman who would only be known as 'Joel'. We spoke extensively regarding how the Village was growing and the potential for development. He asked that Council present him with a proposal to include all the Village owned properties. Council would not do this without meeting Joel and speaking directly to him before considering and development proposal.
- Next Event: July 1st Children's Parade – It appears that no volunteers offered to put this event together, therefore due to the lack of time the Village will not be having a July 1st Celebration this year. Iva Harberg expressed interest in helping put together a July 1st Parade for Children next year.
- Green Space Maintenance: This item was discussed by council again. All of Council recognized and understood the resident's concerns regarding maintenance of this area. They also recognized that Village equipment, as it stands at this time, isn't necessarily the best equipment to use in this area efficiently and effectively. Council would very much like to offer a solution that would appeal and work in the spirit of cooperation with residents. This area is currently zoned as Agricultural and as such has been used in the way for many years. Even though people use this area as a green space it still has ruts and holes that will need to be addressed and then seeded to grass.

Administration asked Council to consider the following:

This year the Village hire someone specifically that has the proper equipment to mow the area in question. It be mowed on a two-week rotation; This person would also care for the cul-de-sac area in Country Rose Court. This

would not just include the mowing but any weed eating that needed to be done; the residents would still maintain the flower barrels at that location; In the fall Council consider putting out an ad to have someone with the appropriate equipment come in and disc the area and seed it to grass. Once this is done signs would need to be posted that the area is not for use over the winter months to allow the grass to germinate. Once this has been completed and the area redistricted then the Village Public Works department would set this area into a schedule of maintenance;

Public works would still be expected to mow the storm water basin area and keep that area clean and clear. If the area is seeded it was acknowledged that snow would need to be piled somewhere other, then at the foot of 3rd Avenue North.

Council does want to work with residents and come up with a compromise that would be acceptable to all. Administration has been asked to continue to look into this matter and try and come up with a person or persons interested in taking on the maintenance of this area for this summer. Council has also asked that Administration investigate the insurance on this property and the liability issues that could arise for the Village if someone is injured on the property while using it as it is currently.

- MAP Review: Administrator Yearwood updated Council and let them know that she has not had any opportunity to work on this project for Municipal Affairs.
- Tax Notices: Administration reports that she hopes the information required will be put in the financial software program and the Assessment and Notices will be ready to print no later than Thursday, June 23.
- Administration was able to speak with Bill Van Wagoner of ACS Services and Products. They have taken over the company that produced the Versa Probe. Although the model that we use is no longer in service it is by no means obsolete. It is the meters that we have used for the houses in Hay Lakes that are no longer being produced. Administration will reach out to this gentleman again to get some sort of advice from him on the type of meters that Hay Lakes should consider moving towards.

Committee Reports:

- Infrastructure: Reported above in Public Works report.
- Protective Services: Nothing to Report

- Fire Department Report: Councillor Patterson reported that he has been attending the business meetings hosted by the Fire Department on the first Wednesday of the month. He reported that the Volunteers have been responding to different scenarios. He also reported that he wants Administration to write to Chief Wolfe to have a safety inspection of the Village Office and the Public Works Building.
- Development: Nothing to report.
- HARRB: Nothing to October.
- Ag Society: Mayor These reported that the Ag is moving forward with a fundraiser in August. They are also having a draw for three prizes being called the Food & Fuel Raffle. Before Ms. Harberg left the meeting, she advised Council that at the last meeting the Ag Committee it was determined that during the Funfest a children's bicycle race from the Recreation Centre on Main Street to the Ag Grounds. Councillor Berkholtz reminded Ms. Harberg that the Ag should contact Go-East to advertise the Funfest for them. It was also reported that in August the Ag Society is hosting a Horse Show.
- Library: Administration provided a letter to Council wherein the Library Secretary, Cathy Marusak requested that Council approve the sitting members of the elected board and that new members Sandra Howald and Ron These be approved also.

RES 110-2022: Moved by Councillor Patterson to accept the following members to the Village of Hay Lakes Library Board for the noted terms:

- Mandy Derksen to a term of one-year from March 23, 2022, to March 22, 2023;
- Megan Patten to a term of one-year from March 23, 2022, to March 22, 2023;
- Jenny DeJong to a term of one-year from March 23, 2022, to March 22, 2023; and
- Cathy Marusak to a term of one-year from March 23, 2022, to March 22, 2023;

CARRIED

RES 111-2022: Councillor Patterson moved that Sandra Howald and Ron These be approved to act as new Library Directors for the Hay Lakes Library Board.

CARRIED

- Telegraph Park: Next meeting scheduled for July 13th.
- Recreation Centre: Nothing to report.
- School Council: No further meetings until September.
- Rural Crime Watch: Nothing to report.
- CRSWSC: Next meeting is scheduled for September.
- Go-East – Nothing to report
- OHS Committee: A meeting was held this morning and Councillor Patterson reported to Council progress being made from this new Committee.

RES 112-2022: Moved by Councillor Berkholtz to accept the Committee Reports as presented.

CARRIED

Information and Correspondence:

RES 113-2022: Councillor Berkholtz moved to accept the Information and Correspondence as presented.

CARRIED

Next Meetings of Council:

A Special Meeting of Council will need to be held to accept the Financial Statements from the Auditor for 2021. Once Administration can determine the date that the Audit is ready to be presented to Council, she will inform Council, and Mayor These will call the meeting.


The next Regular Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, July 18, 2022, at the Recreation Centre beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss Mayor These adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.



 Mayor Ron These



 K. Shannon Yearwood
 Chief Administrative Officer