

May 20th, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Preeceville held on Thursday, May 20th, 2021 in the Preeceville Community Legion Hall, Preeceville, Saskatchewan.

In Attendance: Mayor - Ralph Ager
Councillors - Florian Balawyder
- Welma Bartel
- Sheldon Luciw
- Jesse Nelson
- Darin Newton
- Stacey Strykowski
CAO - Lorelei Karcha

Mayor Ralph Ager called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

Agenda	159-21	Newton/Luciw: That the agenda as added to be approved.	CARRIED.
Minutes	160-21	Bartel/Balawyder: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held Thursday, April 15 th , 2021 be approved.	CARRIED.
	161-21	Strykowski/Luciw: That the minutes of the special meeting of Council held Monday May 17 th , 2021 be approved.	CARRIED.
Waste Water Projects	162-21	Balawyder/Luciw: That the Wastewater Treatment Facility Projects – Projects Status Report provided by the Chief Administrative Officer for the period covering April 15 th to May 19 th , 2021 be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
	163-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That Change Order No. 4 for the Town of Preeceville's Project Management Services Contract with Colliers Project Leaders for the Wastewater Lift Station Upgrades Project for a total contract increase of \$10,290.00 plus applicable taxes, be acknowledged as accepted and approved by poll conducted of Town Council on April 23, 2021.	CARRIED.
	164-21	Newton/Strykowski: That the following accounts for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Projects be approved and paid: -MPE Engineering Ltd. - \$3,135.00 plus GST -Colliers Project Leaders - \$4,429.00 plus GST.	CARRIED.
Bylaw Enforcement	165-21	Balawyder/Bartel: That the Bylaw Enforcement Officer's Reports from April 23 rd and May 7 th , 2021 be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
Tax Enforcement	166-21	Newton/Balawyder: That TAXervice, on behalf of the Town of Preeceville be authorized to proceed under the Tax Enforcement Act to acquire title for the following described land: Lot 7, Blk/Par 2, Plan Z4664 Ext 0, Title No. 130784520 and Lot 8, Blk/Par 2, Plan Z4664 Ext 7, Title No. 130784463.	CARRIED.
Sale of Lot	167-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That the offer to purchase provided through RE/Max from William Dennies to purchase the Town Vacant Residential lot of 413 Highway Avenue for \$2,900.00 plus GST be acknowledged as accepted by poll conducted of Town Council on May 5 th , 2021 and further that the title transfer work be completed by the Town Lawyer and the RE/MAX sales commission be paid.	CARRIED.
Sask Water	168-21	Strykowski/Newton: That Mayor, Ralph Ager and Chief Administrative Officer, Lorelei Karcha be appointed to the Steering Committee for the proposed Sask Water Highway 9 Regional Potable Water Project.	CARRIED.

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Town Sector Meeting	169-21	Luciw/Newton: That the Municipalities of Saskatchewan Virtual Town Sector Meeting Reports provided by Mayor Ralph Ager and Councillors Welma Bartel and Stacey Strykowski be acknowledged as presented. CARRIED.
Council Meetings	170-21	Newton/Strykowski: That regular meetings of the 2020-2024 Town of Preeceville Council be changed to the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 6:30 pm (cst) in the Town of Preeceville Council Chambers, Preeceville Saskatchewan. CARRIED.
Mayor's Report	171-21	Strykowski/Balawyder: That the Mayor's Report be acknowledged as presented. CARRIED.
CD&RC Report	172-21	Strykowski/Newton: That the Community Development and Recreational Coordinator's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
Seasonal Labourer	173-21	Balawyder/Luciw: That as recommended by the Town Council Human Resources Committee, Scott Parkin has been hired for the Shop Seasonal Labourer Position that will run from May 3 rd to October 1 st , 2021 at a rate of pay of \$20.00 per hour. CARRIED.
Waste Water Level 2	174-21	Newton/Strykowski: That it be acknowledged that Town Foreman Ashley Ward has successfully completed his Level 2 Wastewater Treatment and Collection Course and further that he be given a wage increase of \$1.00 per hour, effective May 20 th , 2021. CARRIED.
Shop Labourer III	175-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That it be acknowledged that Jason Durand has successfully passed his six-month probationary period in the Shop Labourer III position and further that he be given a wage increase of \$1.00 per hour, effective May 25 th , 2021. CARRIED.
Summer Students	176-21	Luciw/Newton: That Justen Strand be hired to the summer student position of Public Works Intern from July 5 th to August 27 th , 2021 at a rate of pay of \$11.45 per hour; and that Makenna Petryshyn be hired to the summer student position of Recreation Intern from July 5 th to August 27 th , 2021 at a rate of pay of \$11.45 per hour. CARRIED.
UMAAS	177-21	Newton/Strykowski: That approval be given for Lorelei Karcha, Chief Administrative Officer and Tammy Descalchuk, Office Assistant to attend the 2021 Urban Municipal Administrators Association Virtual Convention to be held June 9 th and 10 th , 2021 and further the registration fee of \$170.00 plus GST and all other expenses incurred for attending the event be paid for by the Town. CARRIED.
Council Meetings	178-21	Luciw/Balawyder: That it be acknowledged that the regular May meeting of Town Council was rescheduled to May 20 th , 2021 and further that the June 2021 regular meeting of Town Council be rescheduled to June 16 th , 2021 at 6:30 pm. CARRIED.
CAO Report	179-21	Balawyder/Luciw: That the Chief Administrative Officer's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
2020 Audited Financials	180-21	Luciw/Newton: That the 2020 Town of Preeceville Audited Financial Statement be accepted as presented and further that the Synopsis be mailed out to the ratepayers with their 2021 tax notices. CARRIED.
Financial Activities	181-21	Luciw/Balawyder: That the Statement of Financial Activities - Condensed and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending April 30 th , 2021, be accepted as presented. CARRIED.

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Building Permits	182-21	Luciw/Newton: That the following Building & Demolition Permits be approved as per the conditions stated on the permits: 1) 513 Highway Avenue E, Permit #2-2021 to construct a deck; 2) 520 1 st Avenue NE, Permit #3-2021 to demolish a house; and 3) 29 4 th Street SE, Permit #4 – 2021, to construct a deck. CARRIED.
Building Permit Extension	183-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That the request of the following property owner to have their Building Permit extended, be approved as follows: 1) 319 1 st Avenue NE, Permit #15 - 2020, 6-month extension. CARRIED.
		12:15 pm – Councillor Jesse Nelson joined the meeting.
Recess Motion	184-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That the meeting be recessed for 45 minutes to allow for a lunch break. Time: 12:21 pm. CARRIED.
	185-21	Luciw/Balawyder: That the regular meeting of Town Council be reconvened. Time: 12:51 pm. CARRIED.
Budget	186-21	Strykowski/Newton: That the Town of Preeceville 2021 Operating Budget as attached hereto, be approved. CARRIED.
Mill Rate	187-21	Luciw/Bartel: That the Town of Preeceville mill rate be set at 6 mills for the 2021 tax year. CARRIED.
Base Tax Bylaw	188-21	Bartel/Newton: That a bylaw to provide for a Base Tax commencing in the 2021 tax year be introduced and read a first time. CARRIED.
	189-21	Strykowski/Balawyder: That Bylaw No. 2-2021 being a Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Provide for a Base Tax be read a second time. CARRIED.
	190-21	Bartel/Nelson: That Bylaw No. 2-2021 being a Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Provide for a Base Tax be given three readings at this meeting. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
	191-21	Luciw/Newton: That Bylaw No. 2-2021 being a Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Provide for a Base Tax be read a third time. CARRIED.
Mill Rate Factor Bylaw	192-21	Bartel/Luciw: That a bylaw to provide for a Mill Rate Factor commencing in the 2021 tax year be introduced and read a first time. CARRIED.
	193-21	Nelson/Balawyder: That Bylaw No. 3-2021 being a Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Provide for a Mill Rate Factor be read a second time. CARRIED.
	194-21	Bartel/Newton: That Bylaw No. 3-2021 being a Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Provide for a Mill Rate Factor be given three readings at this meeting. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
	195-21	Luciw/Nelson: That Bylaw No. 3-2021 being a Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Provide for a Mill Rate Factor be read a third time. CARRIED.
5-Year Capital Plan	196-21	Newton/Bartel: That the Town of Preeceville 5-year Capital Works Plan for 2021 to 2025 as attached hereto, be approved. CARRIED.
Tax Incentives /Penalties Bylaw	197-21	Bartel/Newton: That a bylaw to establish Property Tax Incentives and Penalties be introduced and read a first time. CARRIED.
	198-21	Luciw/Nelson: That Bylaw No. 4-2021 being a Bylaw to Establish Property Tax Incentives and Penalties be read a second time. CARRIED.

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- 199-21 Nelson/Bartel: That Bylaw No. 4-2021 being a Bylaw to Establish Property Tax Incentives and Penalties be given three readings at this meeting. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 200-21 Balawyder/Strykowski: That Bylaw No.4-2021 being a Bylaw to Establish Property Tax Incentives and Penalties be read a third time. CARRIED.
- School Mill Rate 201-21 Newton/Nelson: That it be acknowledged that the Provincial Government has set the following mill rates for public school divisions for 2021: 1.36 mills for Agricultural property; 4.46 mills for Residential property; 6.75 mills for Commercial/Industrial property; and 9.79 mills for Resource property; and further that these taxes be levied on behalf of the Province for 2021. CARRIED.
- Percentage Of Value Changes 202-21 Balawyder/Strykowski: That it be acknowledged that the Provincial Government has changed the Percentages of Value for taxable assessments and they will be as follows, effected 2021: Non-arable (range or pasture) Land and Improvements – 45%, Other (cultivated) Agricultural Land and Improvements – 55%, Residential, Multi-unit Residential and Seasonal Residential – 80%, Commercial, Industrial, Elevators, Railway, Resource and Pipeline – 85%. CARRIED.
- Tax Reduction 203-21 Newton/Nelson: That a tax reduction be given to both the Preeceville Senior's Club 60 and the Preeceville Ukrainian Catholic Hall for 2021, in an amount that they are only left paying the base tax amount set for municipal taxes and an equivalent percentage of school taxes, and this matter be reviewed for 2022. CARRIED.
- Dr. Incentive Report 204-21 Nelson/Newton: That the Town send a letter to the Ministers of Health, the Saskatchewan Health Authority and the local MLAs requesting that the Preeceville Emergency Room be reopened after it's closure due to the Covid 19 Pandemic resulting in medical staff relocation. CARRIED.
- 205-21 Balawyder/Luciw: That the Doctor Incentive Report and Preeceville & District Health Focus Group Report be acknowledged as presented and distributed to all member municipalities. CARRIED.
- Rebranding Mtg/Vote 206-21 Nelson/Strykowski: That Councillors Welma Bartel and Darin Newton be authorized to attend and be appointed as the Town's voting delegates, for the Municipalities of Saskatchewan Virtual General Meeting: Rebranding Information and Vote to be held June 1st, 2021, and further that any expenses incurred for attending this event be paid for by the Town. CARRIED.
- RCMP 207-21 Nelson/Newton: That the Canora/Sturgis RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan and April 2020 to April 2021 Occurrence Stats be acknowledged as presented. CARRIED.
- Family Resource Centre 208-21 Nelson/Newton: That a donation of \$2,500.00 be made to the Sturgis/Preeceville/Endeavour Family Resource Centre Ltd. to support the organizations continued operations. CARRIED.
- 2:15 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward joined the meeting.
- Tree Removal 209-21 Nelson/Strykowski: That the request received from the property owner of 513 Highway Avenue E to have one Town owned elm tree removed off the boulevard as it is no longer alive, be approved and that the Town Shop Work Crew be instructed to proceed with the removal of the tree after August 31st, 2021 in accordance with the Dutch Elm Disease, Tree Pruning Ban. CARRIED.

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- Foreman's Report 210-21 Nelson/Bartel: That the Foreman's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
- Accounts 211-21 Newton/Nelson: That the accounts listed on the attached "List A - Accounts Approved As Paid" and dated May 20th, 2021 be approved as paid. CARRIED.
- 3:09 pm – Councillor Darin Newton declared a pecuniary interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.
- 212-21 Strykowski/Balawyder: That the account of Preeceville Shop Easy in the amount of \$28.05 be approved and paid. CARRIED.
- 3:11 pm – Councillor Darin Newton was invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter he had declared a pecuniary interest in had been dealt with.
- 213-21 Bartel/Balawyder: That the accounts listed on the attached "List B – Accounts Approved & To Be Paid" and dated May 20th, 2021 be approved and paid. CARRIED.
- 3:12 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward left the meeting.
- Crime Stoppers 214-21 Strykowski/Bartel: That the Town of Preeceville donate \$200.00 to support the Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers program for 2021. CARRIED.
- AWSA AGM 215-21 Luciw/Bartel: That Councillors Florian Balawyder and Jesse Nelson be authorized to attend the Assiniboine Watershed Stewardship Association Virtual Annual General Meeting to be held June 15th, 2021, and further that any expenses incurred for attending this event be paid for by the Town. CARRIED.
- PRWMA 216-21 Balawyder/Newton: That the Town of Preeceville write a letter to the Parkland Regional Waste Management Authority requesting that a consistent Hauling Rebate Formula be developed for the municipalities within the Authority that haul their own municipal garbage to the Regional Landfill, rather than using the hauling services contracted through the PRWMA. CARRIED.
- Committee Reports 217-21 Bartel/Nelson: That the following committee reports be acknowledged: Parkland Regional Waste Management Authority, Preeceville Lions Family Trail and Preeceville Economic Development/Tourism Committee. CARRIED.
- Correspondence 218-21 Bartel/Nelson: That the correspondence listed below be acknowledged and filed:
- Ministry of Government Relations – COVID -19 Updates
- Municipalities of Saskatchewan, Municipal Updates
- Good Spirit School Division From the Board and In Focus Reports
- SAMA 2020 Annual Report
- Saskatchewan Housing Corporation 2020 Annual Report
- Municipalities of Saskatchewan – 2021 Golf Tournament Cancelled
CARRIED.
- Adjourn 219-21 Balawyder/Newton: That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 3:42 pm. CARRIED.

MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

