

January 20th, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Preeceville held on Wednesday, January 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 7:00 pm.

Agenda	001-21	Newton/Luciw: That the agenda as added to be approved.	CARRIED.
Minutes	002-21	Bartel/Nelson: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held Wednesday, December 16 th , 2020 be approved.	CARRIED.
Waste Water Projects	003-21	Bartel/Balawyder: That the Wastewater Treatment Facility Projects – Projects Status Report provided by the Chief Administrative Officer for the period covering December 16 th , 2020 to January 20 th , 2021 be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
	004-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That the following accounts for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Projects be approved and paid: -MPE Engineering Ltd. - \$6,898.99 plus GST -Colliers Project Leaders - \$4,987.50 plus GST	CARRIED.

7:10 pm to 7:42 pm Fire Chief Trevor Bartel and Deputy Fire Chief Cliff Prestie of the Preeceville Fire Department met with Town Council to review the services provided by the Fire Department and to discuss the Fire Department's service area.

7:43 pm to 8:00 pm Gerald Gulka of 218 Highway Avenue W met with Town Council to discuss his renter's outstanding utility accounts, the Town's water service deposits and the Town's water service disconnection policies.

Bylaw Enforcement	005-21	Bartel/Nelson: That the Bylaw Enforcement Officer's Report from January 11 th , 2021 be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
20 Main Street N Demo	006-21	Bartel/Newton: That the invoice received from J & R Pristie Holdings Ltd., Rick Pristie, for the Demolition of the Town Building located at 20 Main Street N for \$33,390.00 plus GST be approved; and further that this amount be paid less the amount owing by Rick Pristie to the Town for invoice #15208 for \$1,473.22.	CARRIED.

9:05 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward joined the meeting.

Wells Rehab	007-21	Nelson/Bartel: That the proposal from Beckie Hydrogeologist (1990) Ltd. to provide consulting hydrogeologic services for the 2021 Water Supply Wells Rehabilitation Project for \$29,000.00 plus taxes be approved.	CARRIED.
Elm Tree Surveillance	008-21	Newton/Strykowski: That the quote received from Living Tree Environmental to provide a comprehensive Dutch Elm Disease Survey during the summer of 2021 for the Town of Preeceville for \$1,177.00 plus GST be approved.	CARRIED.

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Operator Certification 009-21 Bartel/Luciw: That the \$150.00 renewal fee be paid to the Operator Certification Board for Chris Halkyard to maintain his certification for Level 1 Water Treatment and Distribution and Wastewater Treatment and Collection, for the period of March 15th, 2021 to March 15th, 2023. CARRIED.

Foreman's Report 010-21 Luciw/Newton: That the Foreman's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.

Accounts 011-21 Nelson/Strykowski: That the accounts listed on the attached "List A - Accounts Approved As Paid" and dated January 20th, 2021 be approved as paid. CARRIED.

9:56 pm – Councillors Jesse Nelson and Darin Newton declared a pecuniary interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.

012-21 Bartel/Balawyder: That the account of Preeceville Shop Easy in the amount of \$200.55 and the account of Paul's Drug Ltd. in the amount of \$25.00 be approved and paid. CARRIED.

9:57 pm – Councillors Jesse Nelson and Darin Newton were invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter they had declared a pecuniary interest in had been dealt with.

013-21 Balawyder/Newton: That the accounts listed on the attached "List B – Accounts Approved & To Be Paid" and dated January 20th, 2021 be approved and paid. CARRIED.

10:00 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward left the meeting.

Sask Water 014-21 Strykowski/Nelson: That it be acknowledged that Sask Water will be holding a virtual discussion meeting on a potential regional potable water system on January 28th, 2021 at 6:45 pm and further that approval be given for all Town Council Members available, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Town Foreman to join the meeting. CARRIED.

Trailer License & Lot Rent 015-21 Balawyder/Strykowski: That the trailer occupants and lot renters of 703 Railway Avenue SE, 733 Railway Ave SE, 619 1st Avenue SE, 634 Railway Avenue SE, and 722 Railway Avenue SE be written a letter informing them that their 2020 lot rent and trailer license fees are in arrears and they are to be given until the February, 2021 regular meeting of Council to clear the 2020 amounts owing or their files will be sent to the Town Solicitor for collection and they will also be responsible for all costs associated with the collection action. CARRIED.

Outstanding Utility Accounts 016-21 Luciw/Nelson: That approval be given to the addition of the September 30th, 2020 outstanding utility accounts to those properties' tax roll accounts on December 31st, 2020. CARRIED.

Outstanding Custom Work 017-21 Bartel/Luciw: That approval be given to the addition of unpaid Custom Work Accounts as of December 31st, 2020 to those properties' tax roll cards. CARRIED.

Mayor's Report 018-21 Bartel/Balawyder: That the Mayor's Report be acknowledged as presented. CARRIED.

Arena Board 019-21 Luciw/Nelson: That \$10,000.00 be issued to the Preeceville Arena Board as a portion of their 2021 operating grant allotment. CARRIED.

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CD&RC Report	020-21	Newton/Balawyder: That the Community Development and Recreational Coordinator's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
Employee Training	021-21	Strykowski/Nelson: That Employees Chris Smith, Jason Durand and Andrea Tonn be authorized to attend the Power Mobile Equipment Course scheduled for February 8 th , 2021 in Norquay, Saskatchewan at a cost of \$200.00 each; and further that all other costs incurred for attending this training be paid for by the Town. CARRIED.
UMAAS Membership	022-21	Luciw/Newton: That the Town pay the 2021 Urban Municipal Administrators Association membership fees, an amount of \$220.00 including GST, each for Chief Administrative Officer Lorelei Karcha and Office Assistant Tammy Descalchuk. CARRIED.
Co-op Account	023-21	Bartel/Luciw: That the Town of Preeceville's inactive Gateway Co-op Ltd. Charge Account # 90137-1 be closed. CARRIED.
CAO Report	024-21	Newton/Strykowski: That the Chief Administrative Officer's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
Financial Activities	025-21	Luciw/Nelson: That the Statement of Financial Activities - Detailed (Draft) and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending December 31 st , 2020, be accepted as presented. CARRIED.

11:00 pm – Mayor Ralph Ager declared a conflict of interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers. Deputy Mayor Welma Bartel chaired the meeting in his absence.

Building Permit Extension	026-21	Balawyder/Nelson: That the requests of the following property owners to have their Building Permits extended, be approved as follows: 1) 210 7 th Avenue NE, Permit #20-2019, 3-month extension; 2) 644 1 st Avenue NE, Permit #4-2020, 6-month extension; and 3) 218 1 st Avenue NE, Permit #9-2020, 6-month extension. CARRIED.
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11:03 pm – Mayor Ralph Ager was invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter he had declared a conflict of interest in had been dealt with. Mayor Ralph Ager resumed chairing the meeting.

Town Solicitor	027-21	Nelson/Newton: That the Law Firm of Leland Campbell Kondratoff Persick LLP of Yorkton, Saskatchewan be appointed as the Town Solicitor Firm for 2021 and further that their invoices for services provided in 2020 totalling 966.90 including taxes be paid. CARRIED.
Bond	028-21	Luciw/Strykowski: That the Fidelity Bond for the Municipal Employees as covered by Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. through the SUMAssure Insurance Program as a part of the Town's General Insurance Policy, be approved. CARRIED.
Property Services	029-21	Luciw/Nelson: That the following Town Property Service Rates be set: Equipment (with man): Small Equipment - \$50.00 per hour, Grass Cutting - \$50.00 per hour (minimum charge \$50.00); Sewer Calls: - During regular business hours - \$60.00 per hour (minimum charge \$60.00, - Outside regular business hours and on weekends - \$90.00 per hour (minimum charge \$90.00); Towing or pulling out semi-trucks or large vehicles - \$150.00 per tow. CARRIED.
Insurance Policy	030-21	Luciw/Nelson: That the Town of Preeceville's general insurance policy with Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. provided through the SUMAssure Insurance Program be renewed for the policy period of December 31 st , 2020 to December 31 st , 2021 and the premium of \$60,252.00 be paid; and further, that the premium adjustment for the 2019/2020 value changes of \$1,017.00 be paid. CARRIED.

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SUMA Membership	031-21	Luciw/Balawyder: That the Town of Preeceville's membership in the Municipalities of Saskatchewan (SUMA) be renewed for 2021 and the fee of \$1,784.96 plus GST be paid. CARRIED.
FCM Membership	032-21	Strykowski/Nelson: That the Town of Preeceville's membership in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities be renewed for 2021/2022 and the fee of \$431.85 plus GST be paid. CARRIED.
Fire Department	033-21	Newton/Bartel: That the Volunteer Fire Fighter's Insurance and the VFF – Employee Family Assistance Program Coverage through the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association be renewed for 2021-2022 and the fee of \$1,571.90 plus GST be paid. CARRIED.
NEATPC	034-21	Bartel/Nelson: That the Town of Preeceville's membership in the North East Area Transportation Planning Committee be renewed for 2021 and the fee of \$385.00 be paid. CARRIED.
Library Rental	035-21	Nelson/Balawyder: That the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Preeceville and Employment and Social Development Canada – Service Canada to rent the Public Library Space at the Preeceville Library Building, 27 Main Street N, be approved as presented and further that the Administrator be authorized to sign the agreement and it be attached to and form a part of these minutes. CARRIED.
Fire Dispatch	036-21	Luciw/Bartel: That the Fire Dispatch Services Agreement between the Town of Preeceville and the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency, be approved as presented and further that the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement and it be attached to and form a part of these minutes. CARRIED.
MLDP Courses	037-21	Newton/Nelson: That approval be given for all Council Members available to attend the Municipal Leadership Development Program Virtual Courses and the Municipal Leaders Roles and Responsibilities Virtual Workshop being held in February and March 2021; and further that the registration fees and all other expenses incurred for attending these events be paid for by the Town. CARRIED.
Committee Reports	038-21	Luciw/Newton: That the following committee reports be acknowledged: Preeceville Lions Family Trail, Preeceville & District Health Focus Group, and Municipalities of Saskatchewan, Strategic Plan. CARRIED.
Census	039-21	Newton/Luciw: That the Council of the Town of Preeceville supports the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at www.census.gc.ca , accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community. CARRIED.
Corres- pondence	040-21	Nelson/Balawyder: 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 – In Focus Report - 2021 Census of Population - RM of Hazel Dell – Committee Appointments - RM of Clayton – Committee Appointments CARRIED.



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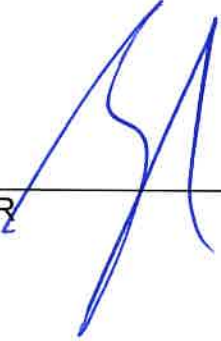
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Bartel: That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 12:00 am.

CARRIED.

MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

