

February 14th, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Preeceville held on Wednesday, February 14th, 2024, in the Preeceville Town Office Council Chambers, Preeceville, Saskatchewan.

In Attendance: Mayor - Ralph Ager
Councillors - Florian Balawyder
- Kenton Hull
- Sheldon Luciw
- Meaghan Nelson
- Taylor Sliva
CAO - Lorelei Karcha

Mayor Ralph Ager called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Agenda	063-24	Luciw/Hull: That the agenda be approved.	CARRIED.
Minutes	064-24	Nelson/Luciw: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held January 17 th , 2024, be approved.	CARRIED.
	065-24	Balawyder/Nelson: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council Reconvened on January 18 th , 2024, be approved.	CARRIED.
	066-24	Luciw/Hull: That the minutes of the special meeting of Council held January 23 rd , 2024, be approved.	CARRIED.
	067-24	Nelson/Sliva: That the minutes of the special meeting of Council held February 1 st , 2024, be approved.	CARRIED.
	068-24	Balawyder/Sliva: That the minutes of the special meeting of Council held February 6 th , 2024, be approved.	CARRIED.
Bylaw Enforcement	069-24	Luciw/Sliva: That the Bylaw Enforcement Officer's Report from January 16 th , 2024, be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
ORT	070-24	Hull/Balawyder: That it be acknowledged that the previous tenant of the Town Tax Enforcement property of 504 Highway Avenue E had filed an Order for Damages through the Office of Residential Tenancies against the Town of Preeceville in relation to the eviction process conducted at this property and further that it be acknowledged that an ORT Hearing for this matter was held December 18 th , 2023 and the tenants claim was dismissed.	CARRIED.
SHA Meeting	071-24	Nelson/Sliva: That the reports provided by Mayor Ralph Ager, Councillor Sheldon Luciw and Chief Administrative Officer Lorelei Karcha from the Saskatchewan Health Authority Meeting – Update on Preeceville Health Services held January 23 rd , 2024 be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
		6:57 pm - Councillor Taylor Sliva declared a conflict of interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.	
Street Lights	072-24	Hull/Luciw: That the quote provided by Sask Power to install Two (2) new Street Lights on existing poles near 105 Railway Avenue SW at a cost of \$2,953.16 plus GST be approved.	CARRIED.

7:10 pm – Councillor Taylor Sliva was invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter he declared a conflict of interest in had been dealt with.

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Mayor's Report	073-24	Balawyder/Sliva: That the Mayor's Report be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
SPRA Conference	074-24	Sliva/Luciw: That Community Development and Recreation Coordinator Tacey Goodsman be approved to attend the 2024 Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Conference and High Five Training from May 6 th to 8 th , 2024 at Wanuskewin Heritage Park and further the registration fees of \$234.35 including GST and all other costs incurred for attending this event be paid for by the Town.	CARRIED.
Recreation Board Bylaw	075-24	Luciw/Balawyder: That a bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Establish a Recreation Board be introduced and read a first time.	CARRIED.
	076-24	Sliva/Nelson: That Bylaw No. 2 - 2024 being the Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Establish the Recreation Board be read a second time.	CARRIED.
	077-24	Sliva/Hull: That Bylaw No. 2 - 2024 being the Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Establish the Recreation Board be given three readings at this meeting.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
	078-24	Nelson/Luciw: That Bylaw No. 2 - 2024 being the Bylaw of the Town of Preeceville to Establish the Recreation Board be read a third time.	CARRIED.
Rec Board Members	079-24	Balawyder/Sliva: That the following new and current members of the Preeceville Recreation Board be approved and acknowledged: Kenton Hull, Darin Newton, Jackie Blotski, Johnny Petryshyn, Heidi Paterson, Therese Sandager, Agnes Murrin, Brian MacDonald, Meaghan Nelson and Allison Hull.	CARRIED.
Pickle Ball Committee	080-24	Nelson/Luciw: That it be acknowledged that the Preeceville Recreation Board has established the sub-committee of the Preeceville Pickle Ball Committee, which has been formed to fundraise the construct an outdoor Pickle Ball Court in Preeceville; and further that it be acknowledged that the members of this sub-committee are as follows: James Bodnar, Dale Parkin, Ken Sterns and Micheal Yaremchuk.	CARRIED.
7:24 pm – Shop Labourers Chris Halkyard and Jason Durand joined the meeting.			
Elm Tree Surveillance	081-24	Balawyder/Hull: That the quote received from Living Tree Environmental to provide a comprehensive Dutch Elm Disease Survey during the summer of 2024 for the Town of Preeceville for \$1,300.00 plus GST be approved.	CARRIED.
Tree Removal	082-24	Luciw/Nelson: That the request received from the property owner of 503 Highway Avenue E to have one Town owned Maple Tree removed off the northeast corner of the Town Boulevard next to his property as the tree is hazardous, be approved; and further, that the property owner be responsible for all costs associated with the tree removal.	CARRIED.
Town Shop Report	083-24	Balawyder/Sliva: That the Town Shop Report be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
Accounts	084-24	Nelson/Luciw: That the accounts listed on the attached "List A (1&2) - Accounts Approved As Paid" and dated February 14 th , 2024 and the Employee Payroll Summary Report dated January 12 th , January 26 th and February 9 th , 2024, be approved as paid.	CARRIED.

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8:11 pm – Councillor Kenton Hull declared a pecuniary interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.

085-24 Sliva/Nelson: That the account of Sky High Tree Services in the amount of \$1,332.00, be approved and paid. CARRIED.

8:12 pm – Councillor Kenton Hull was invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter he had declared a pecuniary interest in had been dealt with.

086-24 Nelson/Sliva: That the accounts listed on the attached “List B – Accounts Approved & To Be Paid” and dated February 14th, 2024, be approved and paid. CARRIED.

8:23 pm - Shop Labourers Chris Halkyard and Jason Durand left the meeting.

Bike & Skate Park 087-24 Nelson/Hull: That the Preeceville Bike and Skate Park Committee’s request to construct three streetlights at the Preeceville Bike and Skate Park located at the Preeceville’s Lions Park, with all costs to be paid for by the Bike and Skate Park Committee, be approved; and further, that the quote provided by Sask Power to Install Three (3) New Streetlight poles and lights at Block R, Plan BH2964 for \$9,300.00 plus GST be approved. CARRIED.

088-24 Sliva/Nelson: That the Preeceville Bike and Skate Park Committee’s request for the Town of Preeceville to pay for the future power costs for the three streetlights to be installed at the Bike and Skate Park at an estimated annual cost of \$555.00 be approved. CARRIED.

CD&RC Report 089-24 Luciw/Balawyder: That the Community Development and Recreation Coordinator’s Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.

In- Camera 090-24 Nelson/Sliva: That as the next matters to be discussed includes personnel information Council move into an in-camera session where a portion of the meeting be closed to the public, under the authority of Part III of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Time: 9:15 pm. CARRIED.

9:15 pm to 9:28 pm – Chief Administrative Officer Lorelei Karcha was requested to leave the meeting.

091-24 Balawyder/Sliva: That Council move out of the in-camera session and reopen the meeting to the public. Time: 10:15 pm. CARRIED.

Employee Compensation 092-24 Hull/Nelson: That the following employee wages and compensations be approved effective January 1st, 2024: Chief Administrative Officer: Salary \$101,161.00 per annum; Assistant Administrator: Wage \$29.40 per hour; Community Development and Recreation Coordinator: \$23.00 per hour; Labourer 1.5: Wage \$26.81 per hour; Labourer II: Wage \$27.80 per hour; and Labourer III: \$26.41 per hour. CARRIED.

Employee Bonuses 093-24 Sliva/Balawyder: That the following employee production bonuses be issued to acknowledge additional workload and responsibilities carried out: Assistant Administrator - \$1,000.00 and Chief Administrative Officer - \$2,000.00 CARRIED.

Caretaker Wages 094-24 Sliva/Nelson: That the following Caretaker wages be approved effective January 1st, 2024: Library Caretaker: Wage \$16.55 per hour; and Recreation Centre, Legion Hall and Administration Building Caretaker: Wage \$21.00 per hour. CARRIED.

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Appreciation Gift	095-24	Nelson/Hull: That the following Council Member Service Appreciation Gift be presented: Jesse Nelson, Past Councillor, 3 years – Gift Value \$75.00.	CARRIED.
Admin Building Washrooms	096-24	Nelson/Balawyder: That the quote provided by Kooler Group of Yorkton, Saskatchewan to install new toilets and urinals in the Preeceville Administration Building Washrooms for \$8,152.15 plus taxes be approved and the work be proceeded with.	CARRIED.
CAO Report	097-24	Luciw/Sliva: That the Chief Administrative Officer's Report be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
Financial Activities	098-24	Luciw/Nelson: That the Statement of Financial Activities - Detailed and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending January 31 st , 2024, be accepted as presented.	CARRIED.
<p>10:31 pm – Mayor Ralph Ager declared a conflict of interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers. Deputy Mayor Kenton Hull chaired the meeting in his absence.</p>			
Building Permits	099-24	Nelson/Sliva: That the following Building Permit be approved as per the conditions stated on the permit: 1) 210 7 th Avenue NE, Permit #1-2024 to construct a deck addition.	CARRIED.
<p>10:35 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.</p>			
SAMA	100-24	Luciw/Balawyder: That the 2024 Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency Requisition, an amount of \$18,409.00 be acknowledged and paid.	CARRIED.
SUMA Convention	101-24	Sliva/Hull: That approval be given for Mayor Ralph Ager, Councillor Florian Balawyder and Councillor Sheldon Luciw to attend the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association Convention from April 14 th to 17 th , 2023, in Regina, Saskatchewan and further that the registration fees and all other expenses incurred for attending this event be paid for by the Town.	CARRIED.
	102-24	Balawyder/Hull: That Mayor Ralph Ager and Councillor Sheldon Luciw be designated as the Town of Preeceville Voting Delegates to the 2024 SUMA Convention.	CARRIED.
Preeceville School	103-24	Nelson/Sliva: That the Town of Preeceville donate \$75.00 towards the purchase of Supplies for the Preeceville School Spring Trade Show on March 23 rd , 2024.	CARRIED.
EDC Project	104-24	Luciw/Hull: That the Preeceville EDC/Tourism Committee's project to install new promotion and directional signs in town indicating points of interest in the community, be approved with all costs associated with this project be paid for by the Committee.	CARRIED.
Committee Reports	105-24	Nelson/Sliva: That the following committee reports be acknowledged: Preeceville Arena Board, Preeceville Recreation Board, and Parkland Regional Waste Management Authority.	CARRIED.
Correspondence	106-24	Hull/Balawyder: That the correspondence listed below be acknowledged and filed: - SUMA - Municipal Updates - Good Spirit School Division – From the Board Report.	CARRIED.

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Adjourn 107-24 Nelson/Sliva: That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 11:03 pm.
CARRIED.

MAYOR

Louie Kouche

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER