

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LONGVIEW
In the Province of Alberta, held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023
Held in Longview Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Lyons
Deputy Mayor Penner
Councilor Klassen

Chief Administrative Officer Roy Tutschek

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

4 public in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lyons called the Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Resolution 189-23

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Penner that the agenda be accepted as amended. Add: **BUSINESS: 11.7 ISDAB** new agreement.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM RESIDENT

None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Resolution 190-23

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Penner that Minutes of the Regular Council meeting November 21, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

CAO presented Action Items.

REPORTS

CAO Report

CAO Tutschek presented the CAO report.

Public Works Report

November 2023 Public Works report - not submitted – see BUSINESS 11.2 RFD with regard to whether ok to discontinue Public Works report to Council?

Peace Officer Report

November 2023 accumulative PO report, CAO received resend December 20, 2023, forwarded to Council.

 Mayor

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Council Reports

November 2023 Council reports were presented.

Reports to Council

Mayor Lyons For December 19, 2023 Council Meeting

Nov, 30th helped decorating of Hall.

Dec, 2nd attended Light up.

Dec, 3rd attended the Village Christmas Dinner.

Dec, 5th Rec Board Meeting:

~ Rec Board will be reaching out to a resident to see if interested in doing the ice in the rink for the winter, I reached out to the FFD and got 3 lengths of hose donated to replace the leaking hose used for flooding the rink.

~May look into WIFI for the security system at the rink. Is this up to the Village to look into cost? Is there a Grant For broadband?

~Looking at having the porta potties back in the park this summer May to Sept.

~Discussed cookhouse policy, looking to meet with Council to talk about policy after the organizational meeting possibly January 23rd at 7:30pm.

~looking to purchase a new snow blower from Rona, about \$2100.

~Brain storming on how to save the ice from melting, shading:

~leaves on rink, Public Works remove?

~county member stepping away from Rec Board.

Deputy Mayor Lisa Penner

From Nov 16 – Dec 13, 2023

General

- Attended all Council meetings: Nov 21 Regular meeting
- Village Christmas dinner (Dec 3) – Thank you to all of our volunteers. The dinner was a success because of you!

EDC

- met on Dec 12
- next steps are being taken for the FCM grant for the community hall. Currently in pre-application process.

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Once pre-application has been approved then a feasibility grant will be applied for and brought to Council when appropriate.

- History of community hall was shared – past concerns over smell of gas (thought to be connected with the furnace) with proper people brought in to say there was no issue. Question – has Public Works/Village had any recent concerns or complaints on gas smells in the hall?
- New application for membership was received. Dave Marshal was approved by EDC for Council consideration
- Sustainability Study – to be started
- Request for ACE (Alberta Cooperative Energy) billing to be shared with EDC for year-end analysis of solar panels production
- Next meeting – Dec 12, 2023 6:30pm in Council chambers

Longview School

- Unintendedly missed the Nov 23 meeting.
- Christmas concert Dec 19th @ 5pm
- Next meeting January 18, 2024 at 6pm in the school. Childcare is provided. All welcome

Municipal Planning and Commission

-no meetings

Sheep River Regional Utility Corporation

-next meeting Dec 21, 2023

Councilor Klassen

Report to Council

Nov. - Dec. 2023

November 21 -Regular Council Meeting

November 28 -Westwinds increase of \$701.69 for 2024 in requisition amount.

Kudos extended to office staff as Longview is always the first community to pay.

December 2 -Light up Longview evening.

Even better this year!

December 3 -Village Christmas dinner.

Thank you to all involved to make it a success!

December 19 - Regular Council Meeting

 Mayor

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Resolution 191-23 **MOVED** by Mayor Lyons that the reports be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

FINANCIAL REPORTS

November 2023 Bank Reconciliation.

November 2023 Accounts Payable Cheque Register.

November 2023 YTD Revenue and Expense report.

Resolution 192-23 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Penner that the November, 2023 Financial Reports be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

QUESTION PERIOD

Marj Bird. Retro fit Community Hall. What does that have to do with Economic Development?

Deputy Mayor Penner. EDC mandate: to improve the Village on Financial, Business and residential levels. Not just about money, making the Village a good place to live for ratepayers, an attractive place to live and also a financially successful place to live.

Kathie Selbee. It is technically: facilities management.

Marj Bird. Pre-application requires a grant?

Deputy Mayor Penner. The Feasibility Grant/Study is an 80/20 (20% Village contribution required) grant, required to get to the next stage of doing the work of building. Do not know the numbers until the pre-application is completed and get into the Feasibility Study.

Marj Bird. 80% is taxpayer money. The government takes tax money and gives it back to us. Can the Village not do the retrofit over time as opposed to borrowing money? Taxpayers will still have to pay back, like we are still paying on the Lagoon. At time when inflation is also a concern.

Deputy Mayor Penner. These comments are appreciated.

Kathie Selbee. Hen Bylaw. Will there be a First Reading on the Animal Control Bylaw tonight?

Deputy Mayor Penner. It is undecided going into tonight's Regular Council meeting.

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Mayor Lyons. It is undecided. However, we could get to a First Reading tonight.

Kathie Selbee. Would you not think it is better to wait until the open house before doing a First Reading? Wouldn't a draft be enough for people to review at the Open House? Then final amendments and then do all 3 readings?

No mention of existing hen coop owners. Analogy, non conforming building exists before new Land Use Bylaw introduced. Laymen's term to address this is 'grandfathered in'. No mention of this in the draft. If have an existing hen coop and becomes non conforming (eg, too close to neighbors) with new Animal Control Bylaw, will it have to be torn down?

There needs to be some concession.

Mayor Lyons. I appreciate your question.

Kathie Selbee. There are Council topics more important to be focussed on than the Animal Control Bylaw. For example, I brought up before in a delegation, adopting the Fire Smart program for Longview. Implications for the safety and wellbeing of the community – Coulee fire could spread like wildfire. Overgrown with trees etc. now.

In May 2023 I sent a document to Council, 'The Vulnerability of Public Officials'. For example, water safety testing, now in place is good. However, need address fire safety brought up in the delegation. Burning Coulee every 4 years or have goats eat in the Coulee, is it enough? There could be legal criminal perspectives to be aware of for Elected Officials, not only health and safety of community – when considering priorities.

Mayor Lyons. Thank you for your input. We do also need to look at our Bylaws.

Marj Bird. Why can't we sell eggs?

Mayor Lyons. We want to also obtain input on this topic from the public at the Open House.

Marj Bird. Do we know when the Open House will be.

Mayor Lyons. We do not yet know the draft Animal Control Bylaw Open House date.

CAO to incorporate more edits, update next Regular Council meeting.

**BYLAWS
10.1 Draft Animal
Control Bylaw
469-23.**

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**10.2 Draft Bylaw
468-23, 2024 Fees
and Fines Bylaw –
Three Readings.**

Resolution 193-23

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Penner that BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW, receive 1st Reading as presented and with the title amended to read 'BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW'.

CARRIED

Resolution 194-23

MOVED by Councillor Klassen that BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW, receive 2nd Reading as presented and with the title amended to read 'BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW'.

CARRIED

Resolution 195-23

MOVED by Mayor Lyons that BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW with the title amended to read 'BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW', proceed to 3rd and final Reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution 196-23

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Penner that BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW with the title amended to read 'BYLAW 468-23, 2024 FEES and FINES BYLAW', receive 3rd and final Reading.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

**11.1 Insurance
waiver request
continued.**

CAO directed to obtain further information.

**11.2 RFD Continue
Public Works
Report to Council?**

Resolution 197-23

MOVED by Councillor Klassen to discontinue the Public Works report to Council. Will rely on the CAO Report and Council can ask for specific follow ups as needed.

CARRIED

**11.3 RFD DEM
appointment.**

Appointment of Director of Emergency Management to be discussed in Closed Council meeting.

 Mayor

 CAO

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11.4 New Auditor for 2024.

Resolution 198-23

MOVED by Mayor Lyons that the offer by Acuity LLP Auditors to carry out the 2024 Village audit be accepted.

CARRIED

11.5 RFD CAO vacation carryover to 2024.

Resolution 199-23

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Penner that the CAO unused vacation carryover request is approved.

CARRIED

11.6 RFD EDC application for membership.

EDC application for membership to be discussed in the Closed meeting portion of this Council meeting.

11.7 RFD new Intermunicipal SDAB agreement.

Resolution 200-23

MOVED by Councilor Klassen that the CAO confirm that the Village if not part of an Intermunicipal SDAB agreement with Foothills County and if not then proceed to join the new Diamond Valley proposed IMSDAB agreement.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Information re: lobby to the Province for a moratorium on logging in Southern Alberta and Longview Community Policing Report.

Recess 7:50 – 7:51 pm.

CLOSED MEETING

Resolution 201-23

MOVED by Mayor Lyons to close the meeting at 8:00 pm under FOIP Section 16(1), Negotiations, 17(4) Evaluations. Will include discussions of Peace Officer Contract next steps.

CARRIED

Come out of Closed Meeting

Resolution 202-23

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Penner to come out of the closed meeting at 9:29 pm.

CARRIED

No residents waiting to re-enter meeting.

Resolution 203-23

MOVED by Councilor Klassen that re: the EDC new member application, discussions continue in a subsequent Council meeting.

CARRIED

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Resolution 204-23 **MOVED** by Mayor Lyons. that Kathie Wight is appointed as the
Director of Emergency Management. **CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT
Resolution 205-23 **MOVED** by Mayor Lyons to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m.
CARRIED



Mayor



CAO