

**VILLAGE OF HUSSAR
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Thursday, March 9, 2023**

The regular meeting of the council of the Village of Hussar was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, March 9, 2023, commencing at 7:00 pm

IN ATTENDANCE Councillors: Les Schultz, Tim Frank, Coralee Schindel
Elizabeth Santerre (CAO)
4 in person + 2 person via conference call

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA

2023-03-09-465 MOVED by Councillor Frank that the agenda be accepted with the following addition in Business; (b) Invitation to Pow Wow

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

2023-03-09-466

February 9, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Schindel that the minutes of February 9, 2023, be accepted with one change as discussed

CARRIED

February 28, 2023 Special Meeting

2023-03-09-467

MOVED by Councillor Frank that the minutes of February 28, 2023 be accepted as presented

CARRIED

DELEGATION

Summer Daze Committee

Discuss Summer Daze Details

Gazebo Project Grant

Discuss Gazebo Project details

Dog Park

Discuss Dog Park details

BYLAW REVIEW

Bylaw Review

- 539-21 Utility Bylaw & Policy 5.3 Rates and Fees

2023-03-09-468

MOVED by Councillor Schultz to direct Administration to update the Bylaw 539-21 Utility Bylaw & Policy 5.3 Rates and Fees to reflect the changes in the penalties in regards to the yearly accounts as discussed and bring back to the next meeting

CARRIED

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Bylaw Review continued

The following Bylaw was reviewed without change:

- 542-22 Tax Penalties

2023-03-09-469 MOVED by Councillor Schindel to do the third and final reading on Bylaw 549-22 for the Keeping of Chickens and Quail in Urban Areas, Hussar, Alberta

CARRIED

POLICY REVIEW

Policy Review

The following Policies were reviewed without changes:

- 2.1 Campground Policy Rental and Reservations
- 2.4 Weed Spraying on Municipal Property
- 3.6 Public Participation
- 5.6 Tangible Capital Assets
- 5.8 Donation Policy
- 5.9 Credit Card Use

2023-03-09-470 MOVED by Councillor Schindel to bring back Policy 5.3 Rates and Fees with Commissioner of Oaths one signature and Commissioner of Oaths Multiple Signatures removed from the Rates and Fees and any changes as discussed regarding the annual Utility Rates penalties

CARRIED

2023-03-09-471 MOVED by Councillor Schindel to have Liz make changes to Policy 5.5 Financial Trust and Reserves to correct the last name for Mrs Barb Feradi

CARRIED

2023-03-09-472 MOVED by Councillor Schindel to have Policy 5.14 Community Groups Policy to have the changes to 3 a. made, participation changed to participate and 6 g. the sentence to read if the project is on Village Property the Village will ensure arrangements for the filing of permits and setting up locates. Invoices will be sent to the Community Groups for the incurred costs as agreed upon

CARRIED

Councillor Schultz calls Recess for 7 to 10 minutes

Back from Recess @ 8:51pm

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BUSINESS
2023-03-09-473

FCM Annual Conference and Trade Show 2023
MOVED by Councillor Frank to accept as information

CARRIED

Invitation to Pow Wow

FINANCIAL
REPORTS
2023-03-09-474

Financial Reports
February 2023 Bank Reconciliation and cheque listing
MOVED by Councillor Frank to accept the February 2023 Bank Reconciliation and Cheque Listing as presented

CARRIED

Operating Budget 2023
Discuss Budget changes

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Coralee Schindel
On February 22, 2023 WFCSS Board met by Zoom. We finalized our budget for 2023 and approved it. For future Grant Applications we want to make sure that a clear deadline will be added to the forms to inform applicants and hopefully reduce the amount of missed deadlines we've been having. Good Food Box is still a hit, 58 Boxes in February and 44 ordered for March 3rd, so it's doing well. Senior Power Planning continues. Collective Cooking first lesson will be held April 15th in Standard and second one will be May 27th in Standard also. Wheatland County Food Bank, all Villages are on board with having hampers delivered to rural locations. The plan is to have a 4 week rotation between different community locations. CUITP a new season of tax filing begins March 1st. We're looking into offering Compass for the caregiver again if they can train an employee partner with Joanne from AHS. Seniors week, going to offer transportation cost assistance for rural residents to the Strathmore events Oct 13th. Marty has resigned, and the board thanked her for her service and wish her well.

Tim Frank
Drumheller and District Solid Waste Association met February 16th. Discussion items, Auditors Agreement, Conference and Training Policy Wiessel Service Contract Extension as per the agreement and contract. Transfer Station discussion in regard to GFL contracted Services. Strategic Planning and the need to look forward into the future. So a broad meeting.

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Fire Association, AGM and Board meeting February the 27th. No public attendance at the AGM. Audited Financial Statements approved. Auditors are reappointed for another year. And then we moved to the General Meeting, we had a discussion on the Bush Buggy. We had a budget discussion. Chief's Report, currently 15 members on Fire Department with 5 members on leave of absence. Call volumes in 2022; we had 55 calls in 2022. 9 medical effort calls, 11 fire calls, of those 8 were grass fires, 2 were structure fires, 1 vehicle. 12 MVC's, Motor Vehicle Crashes, 7 stand downs, 5 no responses and 1 traffic control in regards to a gas leak. The AED's in town are all up to date with current pads and batteries. All inspection and maintenance on our vehicles was completed. Plans and goals for this year 2023. CPR First Aid Course is Spring. Fit Test and Hearing Test in March. Department would like a Village Map that indicates the residents addresses to facilitate quicker response times.

SAEWA announced they have chosen an Energy from Waste partner, this company being Hitachi Zosen Innova and will be establishing a formal partnership agreement shortly.

Cemetery Board. I will be calling for a Cemetery Board meeting soon.

Wheatland Regional Corporation, Budget meeting held February the 15th, and next WRC Board meeting will be held March the 15th.

Library Board met February 27th, discuss and ratified final year end library report that would be sent to the province. Note from Marigold, motions made by Village to ratify board members are too general, end of terms dates need to be added and included. So just little bit more specificity.

Les Schultz

My WADEMSA meeting has not been rescheduled since it was postponed the last time.

Wheatland Housing Management Body. Report from March 7th. Everything is running smoothly at the Lodge. Everyone gave us congratulations because we (Village of Hussar) have a vote now, which came from the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Planning and preparation for the new lodge/hospice is moving along fairly well. A committee was set up of 6 people to go through the proposals for a Project Manager on the new build. A couple of Board Members volunteered along with the CAO from the lodge and the consultant on this project, Derick Wyse,

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and 2 members at large, one from Strathmore and one from Wheatland. They were known people that are good with dealing with that type of acquisition of a Project Manager so they stepped up to help. Tuesday March 7th at a special meeting of the Board, we were presented with the findings of the RFP and the recommendation from the committee on who to hire as a Project Manager. There were 9 applicants which was narrowed down to 4. All 4 were interviewed by the committee and it was recommended to hire M3 Development Management as the Project Manager, and we voted on it and it passed. They're going to hire those guys, they probably did it the next day.

Community Futures. Everything is going quite well at Community Futures. There's a lot of people coming in and inquiring more about what they do, or the services that they can provide. They've even had people who are bankable come in who would rather deal with Community Futures. The loans that are out right now total \$757,000, 18 loans out. By area there's loans in Bassano, Beiseker, Chestermere, Linden, Standard, Strathmore, Three Hills, Wheatland County, Rockyview County, none in Hussar right now, there used to be one but there isn't anymore. At the time of the meeting there were 3 NSF clients noted but 2 of those are back in good standing, making their payments and there's a third one that's still behind in payments but that pretty good out of all the loans that are out there, they're high risk loans. The new loans since the last report, new loans are at \$137,000 since last month. There has been \$25,000 in youth loans handed out. A youth loan age range is 18 to 34 years old, which is the criteria. The Digital Economy Program has been quite successful in the area and they've received an extension to the program and more funding for another 18 months for the program. It didn't go over well in Hussar and nobody signed on with them but other areas have had a lot of success with it. Community Futures will be reaching out to the municipalities to help with everyone's Village Profile, promoting the Village to attract people to move here or start a business here. This was discussed in a round table discussion at the end of the meeting and a lot of the towns and villages are having those challenges were attracting people or attracting business. Everybody wants development and a lot of places were saying, like even Trochu and others are actually giving away lots if people will develop there. It's village owned property and they've tried to sell it or bring a developer in and they won't come unless they give it. They're giving it away just to bring people in. Down the road after the incentives are all done they'll get their tax money right. Everybody wants development and some way to attract people. Wheatland representatives showed excitement about all the development that's

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been going on in their area in the county, and they want to help the Villages reap some of the rewards from that and promote them. Community Futures want to help set up an open house to invite developers, and then each village can have their own table and highlight why they should come and develop in your community and the advantages of coming to develop in your village. There's no timeline that was discussed but Wendy's going to work on it, to really put out there what you have to offer to bring people in. Maybe with all the development in Wheatland, we'll get some trickle down. Amber, the Reeve from Wheatland was saying that they want to help out any way they can, they want to promote, others, like if someone needs housing, Wheatland wants to help all the villages in some way if they can to benefit from their developments. We also discussed the format for the AGM and if we all liked having the monthly meeting followed by the AGM similar to last year we went to Trochu and we went early for the regular meeting and then after that we had the Annual General Meeting with the meal. We thought it worked well so we'll probably do that again. Our next meeting is April 6th.

CAO REPORT

2023-03-09-475

MOVED by Councillor Frank to accept the CAO, Public Works and JG Water Services reports as information at this time

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

2023-03-09-476

MOVED by Councillor Schultz to accept the following correspondence as information as presented

- (a) Letter of Support - Relocation of Camrose Casino
- (b) Rural Charities AGLC Gaming Revenues Equality

CARRIED

2023-03-09-477

MOVED by Councillor Schultz to bring the meeting into closed session to discuss Municipal Sustainability Initiative MOA (as per s. 17(1) of the FOIP Act)

CARRIED

2023-03-09-478

MOVED by Councillor Schultz to bring the meeting out of closed session

CARRIED

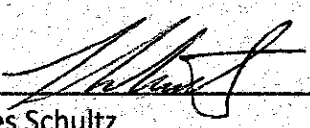
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2023-03-09-479 MOVED by Councillor Schultz to accept their in-camera discussion on
Municipal Sustainability Initiative MOA as information at this time


CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 pm

These minutes approved this 18 day of May, 2023



Les Schultz
Mayor



Elizabeth Santerre
Chief Administrative Officer