Town of Colonsay

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Town of Colonsay for the year 2023 held in the Colonsay Town Office at Colonsay, Saskatchewan on April 11, 2023 at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Anthony Walliser at 7:30 P.M.
Present were Mayor Tracy Yousie and the following Councillors:

Gordon Buckingham
Lonnie Burns — Anthony Walliser
Warren Cooper — Pamela Whitrow

Absent: Tracy Yousie, Amanda Reiman

Closed Session	077/23	Cr. Whitrow/Burns: That we enter into a closed session to discuss the bylaw enforcement at 7:31 pm. Carried
Regular Session	078/23	Cr. Burns/Buckingham: That we rise from the closed session and return to the regular session at 7:35 pm. Carried
Agenda	079/23	Cr. Burns/Whitrow: That we adopt the agenda as presented. Carried
Minutes	080/23	Cr. Burns/Buckingham: That the minutes of the March 13, 2023 regular meeting be approved as read. Carried
Accounts	081/23	Cr. Cooper/Whitrow: That the accounts attached to and forming a part of these minutes be approved for payment. Cheques numbered 4426 to 4463 and Other payments numbered 230301 to 230321 totaling $51,784.31 be annexed hereto and form a part of these minutes. Carried
Cash receipts Payments & Bank Rec	082/23	Cr. Buckingham/Burns: That the Cash Receipts, Cash Payments and Bank Reconciliation for the month of March, 2023 be accepted as presented. Carried
Rescind Resolution #006/23	083/23	Cr. Whitrow/Cooper: That we rescind resolution #006/23, a resolution to transfer Future Expenditures amounts for 2022 into a reserves fund to correct amounts to be transferred. Carried
	084/23	Cr. Whitrow/Cooper: That we transfer $28,089 to the Future Future Expenditures account for 2022 to reflect amended amounts. Carried
Transfer from Fire Equipment Fund	085/23	Cr. Burns/Buckingham: That we transfer $1338.66 from the Fire Equipment Fund Account to the Maximizer Account. Carried

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Membranes Purchase

086/23 Cr. Burns/Buckingham: That we approve the purchase and installation of a set of membranes (12) from Delcowater at a quoted price of $16,039 plus taxes.

Carried

Purchase Of Flatbed Truck

087/23 Cr. Buckingham/Cooper: That we table the decision on the purchase of a flatbed truck for the Fire Department until the 2023 Budget Meeting.

Carried

Letter of Support - Mid-Sask Municipal Alliance

088/23 Cr. Cooper/Burns: That we send a letter of support to the Honourable Minister McMorris in support of Mid Sask Municipal Alliance's promotion of a regional inter-agency economic development initiative.

Carried

089/23 Cr. Burns/Whitrow:

WHEREAS, The Government of Canada has made the decision in Budget 2023 to make municipalities responsible for all retroactive costs stemming from the latest RCMP collective bargaining agreement; and

WHEREAS, These extraordinary one-time costs, which in some jurisdictions amount to millions of dollars, will cause significant hardship for communities and residents across the country, and were negotiated without meaningful consultation or a seat at the table for the municipalities responsible for paying the bill; and

WHEREAS, Municipal governments are already paying a growing share of policing costs, but unlike other orders of government, cannot run deficits to spread out the impact of these extraordinary one-time sums, and have limited revenue tools; and

WHEREAS, Local governments will now be forced to make difficult decisions that will impact residents, such as cutting essential services, reducing policing levels, raising property taxes significantly, and/or cancelling work on local infrastructure, at a time when Canadians' concerns about community safety and the cost of living are already rising; and

WHEREAS, Going forward, it is critical that municipalities be proactively engaged in any forthcoming processes related to contract policing to prevent this occurring again; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Town of Colonsay joins the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in calling on the federal government to commit to ensuring that local governments are meaningfully consulted, fully informed, and at the table on issues related to policing costs given the municipal role in keeping our communities safe.

Carried

Street Sweeper

090/23 Cr. Buckingham/Whitrow: That we respond to the letter sent by Garry Misiurski regarding the use of the street sweeper owned by the Town of Colonsay.

Carried

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CORRESPONDENCE

091/23 Cr. Burns/Cooper: That the correspondence having been read now be filed and a list of the correspondence form a part of these minutes. Carried

Foreman Report — 092/23 Cr. Whitrow/Buckingham: That we accept the Foreman's written report as submitted by Kaelan Peters. Carried

Committee Reports — 093/23 Cr. Cooper/Burns: That we accept the Committee reports as presented by Crs. Cooper, Whitrow and Buckingham. Carried

Rezoning C1 to C2 507 Railway — 094/23 Cr. Burns/Buckingham: That we amend Bylaw 49 to rezone Lots 10-12 Block 02 Plan G4944 from C1 – Commercial to C2 – Commercial *and;*
That we draft a Bylaw to rezone Lots 10-12 Block 02 Plan G4944 From C1 – Commercial to C2 – Commercial. Carried

Records Retention — 095/23 Cr. Cooper/Whitrow: That we authorize Maureen Moen to do records retention according to Bylaw 2019-02 and destroy all applicable documents once the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan has been contacted and given permission to do so. Carried

Refunds Under $5 — 096/23 Cr. Walliser/Burns: That we set a policy to expense refunds under $5.00 to a non-refundable expense account as per the auditor's recommendation. Carried

Budget Meeting — 097/23 Cr. Whitrow/Buckingham: That we set the 2023 Budget Meeting for Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Town/RM Office. Carried

Next Meeting — 098/23 Cr. Whitrow/Cooper: That the next Town Council meeting be held Tuesday, May 8, 2023 at 7:30 pm in the Town/RM Office. Carried

Adjourn — 099/23 Cr. Whitrow/Burns: That the meeting be adjourned. (9:27 pm)

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MAYOR

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ADMINISTRATOR