

VILLAGE OF MORRIN
COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, February 15, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Attendance MAYOR: CHRIS HALL
DEPUTY MAYOR: LORRAINE MACARTHUR
COUNCILLOR: M'LISS EDWARDS
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: ANNETTE PLACHNER

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- C23-007** **Motion:** Mayor Hall added to the agenda: 8.2 Flower Pot Estimate
C23-008 **Motion:** Councillor Edwards motioned to accept the agenda as presented and amended. Carried.

3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

- Hydraulic bins for garbage has been ordered by Prairie Land School Division design forthcoming from Haul All
- Alberta Environment annual report for the water plant has been submitted
- Water meter installs for the new school, arena and the hall need to have size, flow and locations identified.
- New flower pots are in the works.

- C23-009** **Motion:** Mayor Hall motioned to accept the Public works report as presented. Carried.

4. REGISTERED PRESENTATIONS

4.1 None

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1 Regular meeting – January 18, 2023

- C23-010** **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Carried

6. FINANCIAL REPORT

6.1 No financial report was available at this time due to the Village final audit being conducted next week

7. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

No report

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Village Website

Mayor Hall presented Council and CAO with a printed copy of the Village website. Council and CAO reviewed the contents of the website, it was noted that some minutes were missing. Events from various clubs and organizations are not the responsibility of the CAO to have posted.

8.2 Flower Pots

Mayor Hall forwarded an estimate of the cost of the lumber from the Co-op to build eight flower pots. The estimate was \$937.88

C23-011 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that \$1,000. be allotted for the flower Pots. Carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Starland Regional Fire Agreement

Council held a brief discussion regarding the new proposed Starland Regional Fire Agreement. The Village will not sign the agreement as presented, changes are required

- All Fire Fighting Service fees will be billed by the Village and all revenues will remain with the Village, as presently done.
- Each Village appoint a minimum of 1 committee member, 3 Village Fire Chiefs, as voting members.
- The Committee meet three times per year.
- Correction for annual reserve grant to read \$10,000. Not \$10,00.

C23-012 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that a letter be forwarded to Starland to amend the agreement as discussed. Carried Unanimously.

9.2 Starland Regional Water Authority Water Rates.

CAO reported to Council that Starland Regional Water have increased the water rates by 5%. The Village will need to increase the water rates to the Village residents and business by 5%. The monthly water rate for residential will increase from \$ 68.00 per month to \$71.00 per month. The monthly residential for water/sewer/garbage will be \$100.00 per month.

C23-013 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that the Village water rates be Increased by 5% for all residential and commercial properties. Carried Unanimously.

9.3 Homecoming Fire Works

Mayor Hall reported to Council that the Homecoming Committee have requested that the Village pay for the Homecoming Fire Works.

Councillor Edwards related that a letter from the Homecoming Committee be forwarded to the Village with the request.

9.4 New Bank Account - Fire Protection Account

CAO related to Council that it is necessary to open a new bank account for the Village Fire Department funds to keep them separate from the Village operating account.

C23-014 Motion: Councillor Edwards motioned that the Village create a new bank account for the Fire Protection Account. Carried Unanimously

10. COUNCIL REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor MacArthur reported on the Community Futures

- Presentation to Bill Wulf with the Queen Elizabeth 11 Jubilee metal.
- Reviewed the financial statement
- Executive Director report- loan analysis report
- Updates from Board Reps and Budget reviewed
- Update on lending policy to reflect new interest rates to 6.5%

Councillor Edwards reported on the Drumheller District Senior Foundation. Cost of the new units will be \$2700. per month, plus a meal allowance of \$350.00 per month.

11. COUNCIL INQUIRIES OR COMMENTS

Mayor Hall reported on the status of the Morrin Inn. The Inn is presently waiting for the Health Inspectors report for licensing.

12. CORRESPONDENCE TO MAYOR AND/OR COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

None

13. CLOSED SESSION - None

14. NEXT MEETING DATE – REGULAR COUNCIL MARCH 15, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT

C23-015 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. Carried.


MAYOR


CAO