

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
TOWN OF SHAUNAVON HELD TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE

Attending: Mayor Greenslade; Councillors Bennett, Greenlay, Kornfeld, Sachkowski, and Skjerven; Chief Administrative Officer Tara Fritz

Regrets: Councillor Thienes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Greenslade called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

MINUTES

2017-220 Greenlay - Bennett: That Council approves the circulated minutes of the May 2, 2017 regular council meeting.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS

2017-221 Bennett - Kornfeld: That council approves the payment of accounts shown on the attached Schedule "A" in the amount of \$78,118.12, and form part of these minutes.

CARRIED

2017-222 Kornfeld - Bennett: That Council accepts the April 30, 2017 Bank Reconciliation and Tax Collection report as presented.

CARRIED

2017-223 Bennett-Greenlay: That CAO Fritz send thank-you letters to all those whom have acquired a larger amount of Water from the Town of Shaunavon Bulk Water Outlets.

CARRIED

2017-224 Bennett - Kornfeld: That Council accept the balance of the April 30, 2017 Financial Reports as presented.

CARRIED

MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer Fritz presented the Chief Administrative report.

2017-225 Bennett - Kornfeld: That Council accepts the Water Quality report for the period ending April 30, 2017 as circulated.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

2017 BUDGET

2017-226 Bennett - Skjerven: That Council adopt the 2017 operating budget with \$4,143,870 in gross expenditures and a net property tax levy requirement of \$1,861,100, as attached to these minutes. That the 2017 Uniform Municipal Mill Rate be set at 8.7, and that the existing tax policies be amended to include a \$550 minimum residential municipal tax to the Multi Unit Residential classification with only "property" associated, representative of a 6% increase in property tax revenues. That a 3% increase in trailer license fees be approved. That the utility operating budget with total revenues of \$557,880, representing a 3% increase in utility rates effective October 1, 2017 and total expenditures of \$368,960 be approved. That Sask Energy Properties no longer be exempted from Grant-In-Lieu of taxes, effective May 16, 2017.

CARRIED

2017-227 Bennett - Sachkowski: That Council approves the transfer of \$15,000 from Strategic Plan Reserve Account No. 310-100-760 to Surplus Account No 390-900-900; and the balance from the Reserves Other Reserve Account, No. 310-100-200 and Reserves Gas Tax Reserve Account No. 310-100-255, if need be.

CARRIED

2017-2021 CAPITAL BUDGET

2017-228 Greenlay - Skjerven: That Council adopts the revised 2017-2021 Capital Budget, as attached to these minutes.

CARRIED

OFFER TO PURCHASE – LOTS 16 & 17; BLOCK 62; PLAN 102016842

Councillor Skjerven declared a conflict of interest, as he is related to the person making the offer to purchase.

2017-229 Kornfeld - Sachkowski: That council accepts the \$20,000 offer to purchase of Lots 16 & 17, Block 62, Plan 102016842.

DEFEATED

OFFER TO PURCHASE - LOTS 42-46, BLOCK 7, PLAN B3185

Councillor Skjerven declared a conflict of interest, as he is related to the person making the offer to purchase.

2017-230 Greenlay - Kornfeld: That Council accepts the \$20,000 offer to purchase of Lots 42-46, Block 7, Plan B3185.

DEFEATED

OFFER TO PURCHASE LOTS 43-46, BLOCK 7, PLAN B3185

Councillor Skjerven declared a conflict of interest, as he is related to the person making the offer to purchase.

2017-231 Kornfeld – Sachkowski: That council accepts the \$25,000 offer to purchase of Lots 43-46, Block 7, Plan B3185.

DEFEATED

2017-232 Greenlay - Sachkowski: That Council counter-offers at a rate of \$25,000, with the condition of no tax exemptions, for the purchase of Lots 43-46, Block 7, Plan B3185.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

EXEMPTED PROPERTIES UTILITY CHARGES

2017-233 Greenlay - Bennett: That Council designate the review of the Waste Levy on exempted properties to the Public Works Committee.

CARRIED

LOT 32, BLOCK 26, PLAN B3185 ORDER TO REMEDY

2017-234 Greenlay - Skjerven: That Council hereby declares the property located on Lot 32, Block 26, Plan B3185, Shaunavon, Saskatchewan, the civic address of the property 492 First Street West, Shaunavon Saskatchewan, to be a nuisance under Bylaw #2005-20, the Nuisance Abatement Bylaw, for the following reason(s):

- The state of the yard is detrimental to the value of the other houses in the immediate area.
- Junked and unlicensed vehicles or trailers.
- Lack of general maintenance on the yard.
- Deemed to be a public hazard.

That the Designated Officer is hereby authorized to issue an order to the owner of the said property requiring him to undertake the following work:

- Maintaining the yard and fencing including keeping the vegetation below .2 metres in height and controlling and/or eliminating all weeds and other noxious vegetation so that it does not spread to neighboring yards.
- Removal of all dilapidated and unlicensed vehicles and trailers.
- All rubbish, wood etc. to be removed from site and either salvaged or taken to an approved waste facility.

Said work to be completed on or before the 19th day of June, 2017. And that if the work noted above is not completed by the date noted above, the municipality is authorized to take whatever steps are necessary to complete the work and recover the costs.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Greenslade – Verbal report

PUBLIC WORKS

Councillor Skjerven – Verbal report

ADMINISTRATION

Councillor Bennett– Verbal Report

2017-235 Bennett - Greenlay: That Council approves the Administration Committee's recommendation to proceed with the acquisition of the Strategy Implementation and Development Plan as per the MuniMentor quotation dated May 15, 2017, at a rate of \$9,100.00 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED

EDC

Councillor Kornfeld - Verbal report

2017-236 Sachkowski - Greenlay: That Council approves the Economic Development Committee's recommendation to appoint Norman Lavoy and to accept Vince Stevenson's resignation from the committee.

CARRIED

SOUTHWEST WASTE MANAGEMENT Councillor Bennett – Verbal Report

WELLNESS AND LEISURE

Councillor Kornfeld – Verbal report

GRAND COTEAU

Mayor Greenslade –No report

LOCAL LIBRARY BOARD

Councillor Sachkowski – No Report

2017-237 Kornfeld - Bennett: That Council accepts all committee reports as presented.

CARRIED

2017-238 Greenlay – Bennett: That Mayor Grant Greenslade be allowed to attend the Premier's Dinner in Regina, on June 1, 2017.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

2017-06 COUNCIL PROCEDURE BYLAW

Tabled until June 6, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

2017-07 - A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH TAX POLICY

2017-239 Sachkowski - Skjerven: That Bylaw # 2017-07 – A Bylaw to Establish Tax Policy, be read the first time.

CARRIED

2017- 240 Bennett - Kornfeld: That Bylaw # 2017-07 – A Bylaw to Establish Tax Policy, be read the second time.

CARRIED

2017-241 Bennett - Kornfeld: That Council approves taking Bylaw # 2017-07 to third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017-242 Sachkowski - Skjerven: That Bylaw # 2017-07 – A Bylaw to Establish Tax Policy, be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

2017-08 - A BYLAW TO FIX RATE TO BE CHARGED FOR THE USE AND WATER CONSUMPTION

2017-243 Greenlay - Bennett: That Bylaw #2017-08 – A Bylaw to Fix Rates to be Charged for Use and Consumption of Water, be read the first time.

CARRIED

2017-244 Sachkowski - Kornfeld: That Bylaw #2017-08 – A Bylaw to Fix Rates to be Charged for Use and Consumption of Water, be read the second time.

CARRIED

2017-245 Bennett - Greenlay: That Council approves taking Bylaw #2017-08 – A Bylaw to Fix Rates to be Charged for Use and Consumption of Water to third and final reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017-246 Bennett – Kornfeld: That Bylaw #2017-08 – A Bylaw to Fix Rates to be Charged for Use and Consumption of Water, be read the third and final time.
CARRIED

2017-09 – A BYLAW TO FIX RATES TO CHARGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL LEVY AND ASSESS A LEVY AGAINST PROPERTIES

2017-247 Sachkowski - Bennett: That Bylaw #2017-09 – A Bylaw to Fix Rates to charge an Environmental Levy and Assess a levy against Exempt Properties, be read the first time.
CARRIED

2017-10 – A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH TRAILER LICENSE FEES
Councillor Bennett declared a conflict at 9:14 and left the regular council meeting.

Councillor Bennett returned to regular council meeting at 9:20 PM.

2017-248 Sachkowski - Bennett: That Bylaw #2017-10 – A Bylaw to Establish Trailer License Fees, be read the first time.
CARRIED

2017-249 Sachkowski - Kornfeld: That Bylaw #2017-10 – A Bylaw to Establish Trailer License Fees, be read the second time.
CARRIED

2017-250 Kornfeld - Greenlay: That Council approves taking Bylaw #2017-10 – A Bylaw to Establish Trailer License Fees, to third and final reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017-251 Bennett - Sachkowski: That Bylaw #2017-10 – A Bylaw to Establish Trailer License Fees, be read a third and final time.
CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

JUNE – PARKS & RECREATION MONTH

2017-252 Bennett - Kornfeld: Declare June Recreation and Parks Month as per the following Proclamation:

Whereas, in Saskatchewan, we are fortunate to have a variety of recreation and parks systems providing countless recreational opportunities for residents and visitors from around the world; and

Whereas, recreation enhances quality of life, active living and lifelong learning, helps people live happier and longer, develops skills and positive self-image in children and youth, develops creativity and builds healthy bodies and positive lifestyles; and

Whereas, recreation participation builds family unity and social capital, strengthens volunteer and community development, enhances social interaction, creates community pride and vitality, and promotes sensitivity and understanding to cultural diversity; and

Whereas, recreation, therapeutic recreation and leisure education are essential to the rehabilitation of individuals who have become ill or disabled, or disadvantaged, or who have demonstrated antisocial behavior; and

Whereas, the benefits provided by recreation and parks programs and services reduce healthcare and social service costs, serve to boost the economy, economic renewal and sustainability, enhance property values, attract new business, increase tourism and curb employee absenteeism; and

Whereas, our parks, open space and trails ensure ecological sustainability, provide space to enjoy nature, help maintain clean air and water, and preserve plant and animal wildlife; and

Whereas, all levels of government, the voluntary sector and private enterprise throughout the Province participate in the planning, development and operation of recreation and parks programs, services and facilities.

Now, Therefore be it Resolved, that the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) does hereby proclaim that June, which witnesses the greening of Saskatchewan and serves as a significant gateway to family activities, has been designated as June is Recreation & Parks Month, which will annually recognize and celebrate the benefits derived year round from quality public and private recreation and parks resources at the local, regional and provincial levels.
CARRIED

OFFICIAL GARDEN DAY

2017-253 Kornfeld - Sachkowski: That Council of the Town of Shaunavon do hereby proclaim June 16 as the Official Garden Day for 2017 in the Town of Shaunavon, as per the following declaration:

WHEREAS, the Town of Shaunavon will be part of Garden Days, a joyous ten-day (June 9 – 18, 2017) country-wide celebration of the role of gardens in our lives and communities, and in honour of National Garden Day, observed annually on the Friday before Father's Day; and

WHEREAS, Garden Days will educate residents of Town of Shaunavon about the community's garden culture and history; the importance of public and private gardens; the values of home gardening; the health, well-being and aesthetic benefits of gardens; and the promotion of environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, Garden Days will be an opportunity for new and seasoned gardening enthusiasts, families, schools and tourists alike to go out into their own garden, visit a local garden or garden centre or travel to our community to share their knowledge and passion for gardens and gardening; and

WHEREAS, Garden Days will celebrate our community's garden culture and heritage and our local landscape, nursery and garden centre industry.

CARRIED

FILE CORRESPONDENCE

2017-254 Greenlay - Bennett: That the following correspondence having been read, now be filed:

1. Rocksolid Refuge Banquet and Auction
2. Eric Biehn – Viking Benefit Solutions
3. Norm Campbell – Sk. Parks and Recreation
4. Canadian Garden Council

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA SESSION

2017-255 Sachkowski - Bennett: Motion to go in Camera at 9:25 PM.

CARRIED

CAO Fritz left the regular council meeting at 9:25 PM, and returned at 9:49 PM.

2017-256 Bennett - Sachkowski: Return to Council meeting at 9:49 PM.

CARRIED

ADJOURN

2017-257 Sachkowski - Kornfeld: That the meeting be adjourned at 9:50 PM.

CARRIED

Date approved

June 16/17

Grant Greenslade, Mayor

Tafa Fritz, Chief Administrative Officer