TOWN of LAFLECHE

MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

October 12, 2023

The Town of Lafleche Municipal Council convened its regular meeting in the Council Chambers of the Lafleche Municipal Office located at 35 - 2nd Ave E, on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Lincoln Harding presiding.

Present:

Mayor: Lincoln Harding

Councilors: Jeannette Bouvier, , Ryland Langman, Joe March, Julie Williams, Barb Burton

Administration: Scott Caister, Peter Driedger, Malcolm Bucholtz

1. Call to Order

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

2. Review of Agenda

2023-222 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER/ COUNCILLOR LANGMAN: - That the agenda as amended to include item 8.7 – Disc Golf project, be approved. **CARRIED**

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Adoption of Minutes

2023-222 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That the minutes of the September 14, 2023 Regular Meeting be adopted as corrected. **CARRIED**

5. Delegations

Officer Aaron Simard of the RCMP Gravelbourg detachment addressed Mayor and Council.

6. Staff Reports

2021-223 COUNCILLOR MARCH/COUNCILLOR LANGMAN: - That the Public Works report be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

2023-224 COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – That the Water Treatment Plant Reports be accepted as presented by Scott Caister. **CARRIED**

2023-225 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That the CAO Report be accepted as presented by Malcolm Bucholtz. CARRIED

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7. Mayor and Councilors' Forum

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

2023-226 COUNCILLOR MARCH/COUNCILLOR BURTON – That an entity called Town of Lafleche be created to provide for CAO on-line Lafleche Credit Union access. **CARRIED**

2023-227 COUNCILLOR BURTON/COUNCILLOR BOUVIER - That the entity called Town of Lafleche be provided with a debit/access card from the Town of Lafleche. CARRIED

2023-228 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN/COUNCILLOR MARCH – Pursuant to Part (41) of *By-Law* 523-23, and pursuant to Part 12, Division 1, Section 343(1) of the *Saskatchewan Municipalities Act*, the Town of Lafleche is compliant in its provision and maintenance of sewer lines. Homeowners encountering sewer back-up issues must file claims with their insurance companies. **CARRIED**

2023-229 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR MARCH - That effective October 12, 2023 the CAO be responsible for quarterly inspection and replacement (if necessary) of non-rechargeable fire extinguishers in the Town Office, Town Maintenance Shop, Town vehicles and equipment, Library, and Museum. Maintenance of re-chargeable extinguishers in any of these locations will be co-ordinated through either the Gravelbourg or Assiniboia fire departments. **CARRIED**

2023-230 COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS / COUNCILLOR MARCH - That effective October 12, 2023, the CAO commence a program to review and update all Town By-Laws. This program will entail presenting Mayor and Council with draft revisions of up to two By-Laws at each Regular Council until such time as a comprehensive By-Law review is completed. **CARRIED**

2023-231 COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That *Order to Remedy* letters be sent to property owners of 4 1 T5644, and 21-22 8 N5694 with an order to complete cleanup on their properties by October 20, 2023. **CARRIED**

10. Financial

2023-232 COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That the following Accounts Payable Batches be accepted.

2023-00109 in the amount of \$6,130.19, 2023-00111 in the amount of \$1,806.10, 2023-00113 in the amount of \$25,515.48, 2023-00115 in the amount of \$23,006.37, 2023-00117 in the amount of \$31,845.49, and 2023-00119 in the amount of \$9,437.26 for a total of \$97,740.89. **CARRIED**

2023-233 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – that these Accounts Payable Batches be approved for payment and signed by the Mayor and CAO. **CARRIED**

11. Correspondence

2023-234 COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS/ COUNCILLOR MARCH - That the Town of Lafleche advertise in the Community Calendar project being undertaken by the Lafleche Lions Club. CARRIED

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2023-235 COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS/ COUNCILLOR MARCH - That all correspondence be accepted and filed. CARRIED

12. In Camera

2023-236 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That the Council meeting moves incamera to discuss employee matters at 9:41 p.m. CARRIED

2023-237 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER - That the Council meeting reconvenes to Council at 10:15 p.m. CARRIED

2023-238 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS — That an ad be posted in the Assiniboia Times seeking a short-term office assistant at a wage of \$20 per hour. CARRIED

2023-239 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN – That Peter Driedger be offered the position of TOWN MAINTENANCE FOREMAN at a wage of \$27 per hour with a 6-month probationary period. **CARRIED**

2023-240 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That Dave Harder be offered the position of TOWN MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATE (reporting to the Town Foreman) at a wage of \$25 per hour with a 6-month probationary period. **CARRIED**

2023 - 241 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR MARCH - That Robert Adair be laid off effective October 31, 2023. CARRIED

2023 - 242 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR BURTON - That Dale Groves be laid off effective October 31, 2023. CARRIED

2023-243 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That Bruce Caister be brought in to provide coverage for Scott Caister who will be on vacation in early 2024. **CARRIED**

13. Adjournment

2023-244 COUNCILLOR BURTON - That the meeting be adjourned at 10:20 p.m. CARRIED

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ADMINISTBATOR

The next Regular Meeting of Lafleche Town Council is Thursday, November 9, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.