

TOWN of LAFLECHE
MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
February 8, 2024

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, February 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Lincoln Harding presiding.

Present:

Mayor: Lincoln Harding

Councillors: Jeannette Bouvier, Ryland Langman, Joe March, Barb Burton, Michele Rowe

Administration: Scott Caister, Peter Dreidger, Sherry Tholenaer

Absent: Julie Williams

1. Call to Order

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

2. Review of Agenda

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Adoption of Minutes

2024-028 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN – That the minutes of the January 11, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted. **CARRIED**

2024-029 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN – That the minutes of the February 1, 2024 Special Meeting be adopted. COUNCILLOR ROWE abstained. **CARRIED**

5. Delegations

None

6. Staff Reports

2024-030 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN: - That the Public Works report be accepted as presented by Peter Dreidger. **CARRIED**

2024-031 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – That the Water Treatment Plant Reports be accepted as presented by Scott Caister. **CARRIED**

2024-032 COUNCILLOR ROWE / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That the CAO Report be accepted as presented by Sherry Tholenaer. **CARRIED**

7. Mayor and Councillors' Forum

- Curling Rink Bonspiel week of February 12, 2024
- Library Board chair has resigned
- Rec Board met this week. Upcoming events: Easter egg hunt, Mother's Day celebration, July 1

Celebration. Would like to send event notices out with utility bills.

2024-033 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That Councillor Bouvier and Councillor Rowe apply for the Sask Culture Grant, due February 15, 2024. **CARRIED**

8. Unfinished Business

2024-034 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR MARCH - That Motion **2024-012**, *That Policy 47-24 being A POLICY FOR MANAGING SOCIAL MEDIA be accepted with changes*, be rescinded. **CARRIED**

2024-035 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR ROWE - That a new Meta (Facebook) business page be created by the Administrator. **CARRIED**

2024-036 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That Motion 2024-007, *That Bylaw 529-24 being A BYLAW RESPECTING BUILDINGS receive 3rd reading*, be rescinded. **CARRIED**

2024-037 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR ROWE – That Bylaw 529-24 being A BYLAW RESPECTING BUILDINGS receive 3rd reading. **CARRIED**

9. New Business

2024-038 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That effective January 11, 2024 Town administration is to proceed to remove Malcolm Bucholtz from signing authority at the Gravelbourg TD Trust for all bank accounts held by the Town of LaFleche and to give Sherry Tholenaer signing authority. **CARRIED**

2024-039 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – That Joan Corneil be paid \$500/month for mentoring Sherry Tholenaer for one year beginning in January 2024 and ending December 2024. **CARRIED**

2024-040 COUNCILLOR ROWE / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That Administration is authorized to remit membership fees of \$250.00 to UMAAS on behalf of Joan Corneil. **CARRIED**

2024-041 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – That authority and duties set out in Part II and Part V of LA FOIP related to providing access to records be delegated to Sherry Tholenaer. **CARRIED**

2024-042 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That Policy 27-13, being a Policy for Employees Public Holidays, Annual Vacation, Overtime & Banked Hours, be accepted with revisions. **CARRIED**

2024-043 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That the next budget meeting be held on Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 7:00pm. **CARRIED**

2024-044 COUNCILLOR ROWE / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That Council approves Administration's attendance at the SAMA Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. **CARRIED**

2024-045 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That the Town of Lafleche create and implement a Community Standards Bylaw and Citizen's Concern policy in the likeness of the template provided by Assiniboia. **CARRIED**

2024-046 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That the Town of Lafleche confirm rightful ownership and administration of Parcel #104288564, Title #100011878. **CARRIED**

2024-047 COUNCILLOR BOUVIER / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN – That the compost pile be moved to a location behind the rinks at a budget under \$3,000. COUNCILLOR BURTON and COUNCILLOR MARCH opposed. COUNCILLOR ROWE abstained. **NOT CARRIED**

10. Financial

2024-048 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That the following Accounts Payable Batches be accepted:

AP Batch 2024-00011	(cheque)	\$40,903.15
AP Batch 2024-00013	(EFT)	\$17,057.99
AP Batch 2024-00007	(cheque)	\$3,699.19
AP Batch 2024-00005	(Payroll cheques)	\$11,066.02

CARRIED

2024-049 COUNCILLOR ROWE / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – that these Accounts Payable Batches be approved for payment and signed by the Mayor and CAO. **CARRIED**

11. Correspondence

2024-050 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN – That all correspondence be accepted and filed. **CARRIED**

12. In Camera

2024-051 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR BURTON – That the Council meeting moves in-camera to discuss employee and budgetary matters at 8:54 p.m. **CARRIED**

2024-052 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR MARCH – That the Council meeting reconvenes to Council at 9:32 p.m. **CARRIED**

2024-053 COUNCILLOR MARCH / COUNCILLOR ROWE – That Scott Caister be issued a pay increase of \$1.00 per hour for every exam successfully written to achieve his Level 1 certification, to a maximum of a \$4.00 per hour increase. **CARRIED**

2024-054 COUNCILLOR LANGMAN / COUNCILLOR ROWE – That Council approves Scott Caister’s registration and attendance at the Reverse Osmosis Treatment course in Saskatoon on April 9, 2024. **CARRIED**

2024-055 COUNCILLOR ROWE / COUNCILLOR BOUVIER – That Motion 2024-024 be rescinded. **CARRIED**

2024-056 COUNCILLOR BURTON / COUNCILLOR LANGMAN – That Sherry Tholenaer be appointed as Acting CAO for the Town of Lafleche and paid a salary of \$64,000 per annum with an increase of \$1,750 quarterly until a salary of \$71,000 per annum is reached. The Town agrees to cover all costs associated with the LGA certification course. The term of employment will continue until two years after the date of successful certification. **CARRIED**

Jan-Mar 2024	64,000
Apr-Jun 2024	65,750
Jul-Sep 2024	67,500
Oct-Dec 2024	69,250
Jan-25	71,000

13. Adjournment

2024-057 COUNCILLOR BURTON – That the meeting be adjourned at 9:39 p.m. **CARRIED**

MAYOR

ADMINISTRATOR

The next Regular Meeting of Lafleche Town Council is Thursday, March 14, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.