

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189

Meeting Minutes

Regular Council Meeting July 18, 2024 - 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 convened their Regular Meeting at the Dew Drop In (in Lumsden) and via electronic means (Zoom), on Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Present:

Reeve: Kent Farago

Councillors:

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom (via Zoom)

Division 5: John Langford

Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong (attended from 7:00 pm to 8:22 pm)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (via Zoom, attended from 7:00 pm to 7:32 pm)

Absent:

Councillors: Division 1: Steve Eckel

Division 3: Cody Garbutt

Public Works Manager: (vacant)

Youth Member: (vacant)

Resolution No.
2024-336

Additions to Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we agree to add the following item to the agenda under New Business and Accounts for Approval:

- 10.1.3 Eliminate the Lumsden Library/Legion Reserve."

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2024-337

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

Public Works Reports

Resolution No.
2024-338

Public Works Report

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we approve the Public Works report, as prepared by Public Works Foreman, Scott Haynes."

CARRIED

Financial Reports

Resolution No. 2024-339 **Bank Reconciliation - June 30, 2024**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser
"That the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending June 30, 2024, be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2024-340 **Accounts for Approval**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison
"That the list of accounts attached as Schedule "A" is approved for payment." **CARRIED**

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 2024-341 **July 4, 2024 - Regular Council Meeting**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford
"That the minutes of the July 4, 2024, Regular Meeting be approved, as circulated." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2024-342 **July 17, 2024 - Finance Committee Meeting**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser
"That the minutes of the July 17, 2024, Finance Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated." **CARRIED**

Committee Reports

Resolution No. 2024-343 **2024 Budget Recommendation**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser
"That we agree to a 1.96% increase to the 2023 mill rate, resulting in a mill rate of 9.6000, and that we adopt the 2024 Budget as Schedule "B"."

A recorded vote was requested.

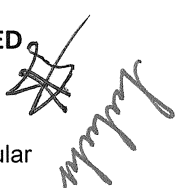
Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Steve Eckel				✓
Kent Farago	✓			
Cody Garbutt				✓
Cody Jordison	✓			
John Langford	✓			
Marlise Nordstrom		✓		
Glenda Schlosser	✓			

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2024-344 **2023 Surplus Allocation**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser
"That we acknowledge the 2023 operating surplus in the amount of \$271,337; and,
That we agree with the recommendation of the Finance Committee and transfer \$204,827 of the 2023 surplus to the Road Reserve and the remaining \$66,510 to the Pavement Reserve." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2024-345 **Lumsden Library/Legion Reserve**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser
"That we agree with the recommendation of the Finance Committee and eliminate the Lumsden Library/Legion Reserve, as improvements to that facility can be funded by the Cash-in-Lieu account." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2024-346 **July 17, 2024 - Finance Committee Meeting Report**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford
"That the July 17, 2024, Finance Committee Report be accepted as presented verbally by Councillor Schlosser and Director of Finance Ryan Haresign." **CARRIED**



Resolution No. July 17, 2024 - Public Works Committee Meeting Report
2024-347 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That the Public Works Committee Report be accepted as presented by Councillor Jordison."
CARRIED

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 7:32 pm.

New Business

Resolution No. Royal Canadian Legion Military Service Recognition Book - Advertising Request
2024-348 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we purchase a business card size advertisement in the Royal Canadian Legion Saskatchewan Command Military Service Recognition Book at a cost of \$238.10 plus GST."
CARRIED

Resolution No. SARM - Sask. Broadband Action Committee Requests Letter of Support
2024-349 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we agree to send a letter supporting the initiatives of the Saskatchewan Broadband Action Committee to increase connectivity across the province."
CARRIED

Reports of Administration

Resolution No. Council Update
2024-350 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the report of the Chief Administrative Officer be accepted as presented."
CARRIED

Resolution No. Communications
2024-351 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That the following communications and reports have been reviewed and the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to file the same accordingly:
a. Gail Russell - Lumsden & District Heritage Home, Q2 Representative Report
b. Miscellaneous."
CARRIED

Bylaws

Resolution No. Bylaw No. 2024-06 - Property Tax Rates - 1st Reading
2024-352 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That Bylaw No. 2024-06, being a bylaw to establish Property Tax Rates, be read a first time."

A recorded vote was requested.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Steve Eckel				✓
Kent Farago	✓			
Cody Garbutt				✓
Cody Jordison	✓			
John Langford	✓			
Marlise Nordstrom	✓			
Glenda Schlosser	✓			

CARRIED



Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2024-06 - Property Tax Rates - 2nd Reading**
2024-353 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That Bylaw No. 2024-06, being a bylaw to establish Property Tax Rates, be read a second time."

A recorded vote was requested.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Steve Eckel				✓
Kent Farago	✓			
Cody Garbutt				✓
Cody Jordison	✓			
John Langford	✓			
Marlise Nordstrom	✓			
Glenda Schlosser	✓			

CARRIED

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2024-06 - Property Tax Rates - Give 3 Readings**
2024-354 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That Bylaw No. 2024-06, being a bylaw to establish Property Tax Rates, be given 3 readings at this meeting."

A recorded vote was requested.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Steve Eckel				✓
Kent Farago	✓			
Cody Garbutt				✓
Cody Jordison	✓			
John Langford	✓			
Marlise Nordstrom	✓			
Glenda Schlosser	✓			

CARRIED

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2024-06 - Property Tax Rates - 3rd Reading**
2024-355 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That Bylaw No. 2024-06, being a bylaw to establish Property Tax Rates, be read a third time, adopted, signed, and sealed."

CARRIED

Resolution No. **Closed Session**
2024-356 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we move into Closed Session at 8:09 pm for the purpose of discussing strategic planning as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act*, with staff included in the session."

CARRIED

Rise from Closed Session

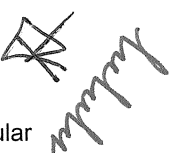
At 8:22 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Strong, left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:22 pm.

Resolution No. **Closed Session - LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b) Employee-Related Matters**
2024-357 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we move into Closed Session at 8:22 pm for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 6(1)(b)), with the Chief Administrative Officer included in the session."

CARRIED



Rise from Closed Session

At 8:42 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

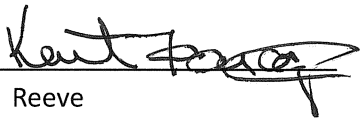
Resolution No.
2024-358

Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm."

CARRIED



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer