



RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF
L U M S D E N
NO. 189

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189

Meeting Minutes

Regular Council Meeting via Zoom June 16, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 convened their Regular Meeting via electronic means (Zoom), on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 7:01 p.m. with Reeve Kent Farago presiding.

Present:

Reeve: Kent Farago

Councillors:

Division 1: Jeremy Andrew

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser

Division 3: Cody Garbutt

Division 4: Derek Neuls (Arrived at 7:03 p.m. and Left at 9:49 p.m.)

Division 5: John Langford

Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Administrator: Jacqueline Chouinard (Left at 9:50 p.m.)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (Left at 7:15 p.m.)

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck (Left at 7:52 p.m.)

Absent:

Public Works Manager Leighton Watts

Resolution No.
2022-286

Additions to Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Langford

"That we add the following items to the agenda:

Committee Reports - Cost of Living Calculation

Committee Reports - Clarification in Human Resource Policy Manual

Planning and Development Applications and Reports - Annexation Update."

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2022-287

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Langford

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Cody Jordison declared a conflict of interest with respect to Committee Reports - Cost of Living Calculation.

Financial Reports

Resolution No.
2022-288

2021 Draft Financial Statement

Moved by: Councillor Schlosser

"That the 2021 Draft Audited Financial Statement be approved, subject to the advice of the auditors as to the amending of Note 15 which speaks to COVID-19's future impact on RM of Lumsden operations."

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2022-289

List of Accounts - June 16, 2022

Moved by: Councillor Schlosser

"That the list of accounts attached as Schedule "A" hereto and forming a part of these minutes are hereby approved for payment."

CARRIED

- Resolution No.**
2022-290
- Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement - April 30, 2022**
Moved by: Councillor Langford
- "That the Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement for the month ended April 30, 2022 be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**
- Director of Finance Ryan Haresign left at 7:15 p.m. for the remainder of the meeting.**
- Planning and Development Applications and Reports**
- Resolution No.**
2022-291
- Development Application #2022-022 (Mander), Discretionary Use**
Moved by: Councillor Andrew
- "That Council table Development Permit #2022-022 for a heavy equipment related use on the lands legally described as Parcel C, Plan 102307418 Ext 1, pending further information related to:
1. Additional information respecting the access, egress and the potential impacts of the proposed development on the highway system and traffic safety and capacity.
 2. A Grading plan for the subject site.
 3. A Landscaping plan consistent with the Zoning Bylaw."
- CARRIED**
- Resolution No.**
2022-292
- Development Application #2021-022 (Chobanik), Subdivision Referral**
Moved by: Councillor Schlosser
- "That Council table Development Application #2021-022 (Chobanik), Subdivision Referral pending further information." **CARRIED**
- Resolution No.**
2022-293
- Municipal Information Sharing Agreement**
Moved by: Councillor Neuls
- "That the RM of Lumsden No. 189 enter into a Municipal Information Sharing Agreement with the Rural Municipalities of Edenwold No. 158 and Sherwood No. 159." **CARRIED**
- Resolution No.**
2022-294
- Annexation Update**
Moved by: Councillor Schlosser
- "That, further to Resolution 2022-043, being a complementary resolution, we approve, as per Schedule "B", the Updated Annexation Map and Description for the proposed boundary alteration (increased to ~36.0 acres) to the Town of Lumsden situated in the NW corner of the SW 28-19-21 W2 described as follows: commencing at the southwest corner of Plan No. 86R09125; thence southerly along the eastern boundary of the original road allowance a distance of 259 metres; thence easterly a distance of 505 metres to intersect with the western boundary of Parcel C, Plan 101941589; thence north along the western boundary of Parcel C, Plan 101941589 a distance of 94 metres; thence east a distance of 142 metres along the northern boundary of Parcel C, Plan 101941589; thence north a distance of 120 metres to the southern boundary of Plan No. 101238612; thence North westerly along the southern boundary to the point of commencement; and further that property tax loss compensation, for these ~ 36 acres of agriculturally-assessed land situated in the NW corner of the SW 28 19 21 W2, will be provided to the RM of Lumsden No. 189 in the amended amount of \$369.36 x 15 years for a total of \$5,540.40." **CARRIED**
- Director of Planning and Development Aimee Bryck left the meeting at 7:52 p.m. for the remainder of the meeting.**
- Adoption of Minutes**
- Resolution No.**
2022-295
- June 2, 2022 - Regular Council Meeting**
Moved by: Councillor Langford
- "That the minutes of the June 2, 2022 regular meeting be approved, as circulated." **CARRIED**
- Committee Reports**
- Resolution No.**
2022-296
- Closed Session**
Moved by: Councillor Garbutt
- "That we move into Closed Session at 7:53 p.m. for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b)), with staff to be included in the session." **CARRIED**
- Councillor Cody Jordison declared a conflict of interest with respect to Cost of Living Calculation. Councillor Jordison abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the meeting at 7:53 p.m.**



At 8:18 p.m., Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.
2022-297

Cost of Living Calculation

Moved by: Councillor Garbutt

"That we report back to the Joint Administration Committee that the RM of Lumsden approves of the following calculation for annual cost of living adjustments (COLA) and, further suggest that the Consumer Price Index for Canada be removed from the calculation: That when calculating annual cost of living adjustments (COLA) for staff wages, we continue to incorporate various consumer price indexes (CPI) while recognizing that inflation is causing our ratepayers financial hardship, and introduce the following method of determining cost of living adjustments:

- the base adjustment ranges from a low of 2% to a high of 3%;
- if the average consumer price indexes are lower than 2% or higher than 3%, a factor of .5 will be applied to the difference and either subtracted from the low of 2% or added to the high of 3%, to a maximum of 7% CPI (5% COLA). For example:

0% CPI = 1.0% cost of living adjustment
 (low of 2% less 0% CPI = 2; 2 x .5 factor = 1; 0 + 1 = 1.0%)
 1% CPI = 1.5% cost of living adjustment
 (low of 2% less 1% CPI = 1; 1 x .5 factor = .5; 1 + .5 = 1.5%)
 2% CPI = 2.0% cost of living adjustment
 3% CPI = 3.0% cost of living adjustment
 4% CPI = 3.5% cost of living adjustment
 (4% CPI less high of 3% = 1; 1 x .5 factor = .5; high of 3 + .5 = 3.5%)
 5% CPI = 4.0% cost of living adjustment
 (5% CPI less high of 3% = 2; 2 x .5 factor = 1; high of 3 + 1 = 4.0%)
 7% CPI = 5.0% cost of living adjustment (5% is the maximum)
 (7% CPI less high of 3% = 4; 4 x .5 factor = 2; high of 3 + 2 = 5.0%)."

CARRIED

At the conclusion of voting on the matter, Councillor Jordison returned to the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Resolution No.
2022-298

Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Langford

"That we move into Closed Session at 8:19 p.m. for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b)), with staff to be included in the session."

CARRIED

At 8:46 p.m., Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.
2022-299

Clarification in Human Resource Policy Manual

Moved by: Councillor Schlosser

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Joint Administration Committee that the 'Hiring of Relatives' section of the Human Resource Policy Manual be amended as per Schedule 'C'."

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Jeremy Andrew	✓			
Kent Farago		✓		
Cody Garbutt	✓			
Cody Jordison		✓		
John Langford		✓		
Derek Neuls	✓			
Glenda Schlosser	✓			

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2022-300

Recess Meeting

Moved by: Councillor Jordison

"That we recess the meeting for a brief break at 8:47 p.m."

CARRIED

The meeting was reconvened at 8:53 p.m.

Resolution No.
2022-309

Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Andrew

"That we move into Closed Session at 9:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing legal-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 21), with staff to be included in the session." **CARRIED**

At 9:58 p.m., Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.
2022-310

Closed Session - LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b) Employee-Related Matters

Moved by: Councillor Andrew

"That we move into Closed Session at 9:58 p.m. for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b)), with staff to be included in the session." **CARRIED**

At 10:14 p.m., Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.
2022-311

Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Schlosser

"That we adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m." **CARRIED**



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer