

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF PLEASANTDALE NO. 398

Regular Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2023

Council Chambers in the Municipal Office Naicam

Council Members present:

Reeve	Morgan Leigh	
Division 1	Ernest Pederson	
Division 2	Mark Govan	Regrets
Division 3	Jennifer Bushby	
Division 4	Vacant	
Division 5	Helen Meekins	
Division 6	Robert Hutchison	
Staff Present:	Acting Administrator	Trevor Peterson

Reeve Leigh called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Conflict of Interest to Declare: Councillor Hutchison re: 12 (d) road closure
Councillor Bushby re: 12 (c) and 14(a)

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

346/23 **Adopt Agenda**
Meekins/Pederson: That Council adopt the agenda as presented.
Carried

MINUTES

347/23 **Amend The Minutes**
Hutchison/Bushby: That the motion numbers be amended from unnumbered motion by Meekins/Govan (corrected to 329/23), to motion for adjournment (345/23), which is amended to have been made by Hutchison.
Carried

348/23 **Approval of Minutes**
Meekins/Leigh: That the minutes of the August 10, 2023 Regular Council meeting be approved as amended.
Carried

FINANCIALS

349/23 **Accounts Payable**
Leigh/Hutchison
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Meekins/Leigh: That cheques 4059-4100 General Payables totaling \$70308.74; Electronic Payments 2280-2309 totaling \$282,706.14; and Payroll and Council Indemnity totaling \$24,615.80 be authorized for payment.
Carried

350/23 **Financial Statements**
Meekins/Pederson: That the Statement of Financial Activities ending August 31/2023 be adopted.
Carried

351/23 **Bank Reconciliation**
Bushby/Meekins: That the Bank Reconciliation ending August 31, 2023 be approved.
Carried

REPORTS

Division 1 - Ratepayer Issues: Ratepayer still wants the culvert at mile 143 C to be put on an angle and lowered for spring run off

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- Councillor Concern: grading by operators is good

Division 2 - Regrets

- Division 3**
- Ratepayer praise: Councillor from another RM praised grading he saw
 - Ratepayer issues: Ratepayer at mile 321 concerned about work re: spring run off
 - North end of Lakeview Ave Lac Vert
 - Ratepayer at 340/341 has issue with water pooling in front of his approaches to his yard
 - Infrastructure issue: North end of Lakeview Ave is very rough, potholes are terrible
 - Some of the back roads that are field access need work
 - Councilor Issues: Want more updates on contractors, graveling, mowing, etc.
 - Other: ratepayer for the approach at mile 312 said thank you for the approach being done, but not quite finished

Division 4 - No Report.

- Division 5**
- Ratepayer praise: Grading is excellent and Pleasantdale Cemetery looks good.
 - Where there has been 2 cuts the mowing is great.
 - Ratepayer issues: Mile 515B has grass growing in the middle of the road
 - Pasture Report: Don Williams stated that everything went very well and has requested that when mowing if they can let him know so he can open the gates and mow the trees up to the corrals.
 - Councilor Concerns: as winter approaches doesn't want ratepayers with road allowances that look like their lanes to be forgotten (a list was provided).
 - At mile 534-535 should there be a sign to slow traffic down?
 - Want to know about GFI functionality.

- Division 6**
- Ratepayer praise: ratepayer happy with work on low level crossing.
 - Infrastructure Issues: concerns raised about low level crossing at mile 622.
 - Ratepayer Issues: questions about mowing and where that is at.
 - Councilor concerns: New owner of the Purdy pit would like to be notified before we remove the piled up product.
 - Other: Happy to see gravel truck moving and transportation staff working well together

352/23 Leigh/Hitchison: That Councillor Bushby and Councillor Meekins be the voting delegates for the SARM Midterm convention November 8th and 9th.

Carried

353/23 Bushby/Meekins: That the Rural Municipality of Pleasantdale levy the taxes on the private campground purchased in 2022 by Kipabiskau Regional Park.

Carried

354/23 Leigh/Pederson: That the late payments be accepted for Prairie Steel, Zenner's Tire, and the Rural Municipality Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan.

Carried

355/23 Reports Leigh *ML* *J.P.*
Meekins/~~Bushby~~: That Council accept the reports as presented.

Carried

Public Hearings

Deputy Reeve Meekins declares the Council meeting in recess and the public

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hearing open.

One person, a representative from Pattison Ag, had no concerns but just a clarification.

Reeve Leigh declares the public hearing closed and resumes the Council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

356/23 Change Order Proposal Re: Asset Management

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Bushby/Meekins: That council approve the change order of \$15,025 plus applicable taxes as presented by Pinter and Associates Ltd to cover the additional 175 kms of roads and culvert, and that the extra budget come from 530-210-110 (Surfacing)

Carried

357/23 Mentorship Contract with Sharon Pope

Meekins/Leigh: That the contract for mentorship with Sharon Pope be authorized to commence immediately.

Carried

358/23 Approach Applications

Meekins/Hutchison: That council approve the approach applications for 25-40-18 W2 and NE 07-40-16 W2 pending on site reviews.

Carried

Councillor Hutchison left the meeting at 11:25 am.

359/23 By-Law 05-2023

Leigh/Meekins: Motion to pass second reading of Bylaw 05-2023, A Bylaw to Provide for the Closing and Leasing of an Undeveloped Municipal Road Allowance.

Carried

Councillor Hutchison returns to the meeting at 11:31 am.

360/23 Bylaw 06-2023

Bushby/Meekins: That council pass second reading of Bylaw 06-2023, A Bylaw to Provide for the Closing of a Municipal Road.

Carried

361/23 Meekins/Bushby: That council pass third and final reading of Bylaw 06-2023, A Bylaw to Provide for the Closing of a Municipal Road.

Carried

362/23 Resolution for Cemetery Account Signing Authority

Bushby/Meekins: That Acting Administrator Trevor Peterson be added as signing authority for the Pleasantdale Cemetery Committee account.

Carried

363/23 Beaver Extraction List

Meekins/Bushby: That council add Garry Lisoway to the beaver extraction list.

Carried

364/23 Crown Land Abatement

Bushby/Meekins: That council abate the taxes for Ministry of Agriculture land 211 and 837 for the 2023 and 2024 tax years.

Carried

Councillor Bushby left the meeting at 11:37 am.

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365/23 **Lake Charron AGM/Audit**
Meekins/Leigh: That the Annual General Meeting minutes, audit, and report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Councillor Bushby returned to the meeting at 11:38 am.

366/23 **Bylaw 04-2023**
Leigh/Hutchison: That council repeal bylaw 04-2023, A Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Pleasantdale No. 398 to Fix the Rates Charged for the Use and Consumption of Water in the Unorganized Hamlet of Lac Vert, Saskatchewan.

Carried

367/23 **Unpaid Lac Vert Utility and Tax Invoice**
Meekins/Leigh: That after sending a notice to the account holder for Customer 471, administration be authorized to transfer the utility balance to the tax roll 1828 and to disconnect utility service.

Carried

368/23 **Change November Meeting Date**
Bushby/Meekins: That the Regular Meeting of Council for November be moved from November 9th to November 2nd and that administration provide the necessary notice.

Carried

Human Resources

369/23 **In Camera HR Discussion**
Meekins/~~Bushby~~: Motion to go in camera to discuss the HR report from Marcy Johnson at 12:00 pm.

Hutchison *my* J.P. Carried

Councillor Bushby left the meeting at 12:03 pm.

370/23 Meekins/Leigh: That the meeting move out of camera at 12:19 pm.

Carried

371/23 Leigh/Pederson: That administration provide training for new council members and more resources for council on Roberts Rules of Order and how to resolve conflicts during council meetings.

Carried

Councillor Bushby returned to the meeting at 12:22 pm.

372/23 **Correspondence**
Meekins/Pederson : That the correspondence be accepted and filed as presented.

Carried

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Adjourn

373/23

Meekins/Pederson: That this meeting be adjourned at 12:28 pm.

Carried



Margaret

Reeve

[Signature]

Administrator

October 12/2023

Date