

**MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF CARMACKS
ON June 22, 2022, IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT: Mayor: Lee Bodie
Councillors: J. Lachance, D. Hansen, K. Unterschute, H. Belanger
Staff: M. Lillefors
Delegation: M. Cybulski, S. Webber, A. Mendelsohn

ORDER: Mayor L. Bodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA: Council reviewed the agenda.

22-02-01 M/S Councillors H. Belanger motioned that the agenda be accepted as presented. D. Hansen second.

CARRIED

MINUTES: From the regular meeting on June 7, 2022.

22-02-02 M/S Councillors H. Belanger motioned that the minutes be accepted as presented. K. Unterchute Second.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

4.1 Metrix Group – Stephen Webber

Stephen said they come in and provide an independent third party to make sure everything is recorded properly for accounting standards, and make sure tax dollars are spent where they're promised. He's happy to report there were no issues with that for us. Their opinion is the company and financials are present fairly and in all material aspects. Everybody has been helpful and forthcoming with any information they needed and it's been appreciated and recognized. Council reviewed the snapshot of where we were at the end of December, the cash there was almost no change and that is a healthy cash position. Not too much fluctuation, so the business end of our municipality is quite predictable. There was a large increase in receivables from last year, it jumped from 500, 000 to just about 1,000,000 this year. Of 984,000 this year roughly 788,000 is both territorial and federal branch funding which is alright, it's been a busy year with a lot of projects on the go. A bit of an increase in accounts payable, usual utility bills, and cleaning costs. Grant funding was received but not fully spent yet. Capital assets are only about a 300 000 increase this year. Our equipment, buildings, and vehicles are always taken into consideration for wear and tear so when things need to be replaced it's not confused as to where that cost is going. The cemetery access road had work done, about 48 000 this

year. Expansion land improvement was about 63 000, the double-sided led sign was about 75 000, Merv Tew park improvements were about 470 000 and finally, our smaller auto motive additions were already in the capital budgets and mostly grant-funded. There were no surprises in our finances. Sales goods and services were a bit higher than budget than last year, most of the increase was to do with the recreation programs, last year it was lower and more conservative due to covid. So things are looking up with programs running. Most other income is from our recycling program. Interest revenue is based on the budget of the prior year, but covid took a sledgehammer on interest rates and returns so it looks a bit lower, but it's nothing to be concerned for, just the poor rates at the bank. Revenue is pretty close, with small increases over last year and this year but almost entirely to do with grant funding which is great so no concerns there. General maintenance and services have a small increase over the last year, but it's still quite a bit under budget.

D. Hansen motioned to accept the financial statements prepared by Metrix, H. Belanger seconded this motion.

4.2 Recreation Centre – Matthew Cybulski

Participants have increased since the weather has warmed up, Yukon forestry and wildfire members have been participating a lot since arriving since they have some spare time outside of work so it gives them something to do as well. Most program participation has increased. Pickleball was a huge success with the community. The oldest team member participating was 80 and 81. The next pickleball tournament will be held in September.

Nerf program was a success, averaging 36 participants per session. He was hoping for a program to help manage virtual memberships, automatic notifications sent out to clients for when fitness membership or summer camp renewals come out, family profiles, to keep everybody in the loop, and any course cancelations then automatic notifications can go out to whoever's on the program. It also will help to take loss prevention measures. It could also be beneficial to extend the hours when the gym is accessible while keeping other parts of the center closed. It's important for him to be able to harness the analytics and data and feedback from the community. It would also be beneficial to the arena. It would also help be able to keep track of any theft by seeing who may have fobbed in that day. The total cost is \$3,100 for setting up, a monthly fee of \$99, and to process and control up to 250 accounts, which would be our municipal needs and then some.

D. Hansen Motioned to purchase the Booking Software by Pacific Coast Solutions, K. Unterchute second this motion.

4.3 Finances – Anne Mendelsohn

Max is no longer working with public works, they hired a second candidate the applied when the competition was posted, we hired a finance clerk by the name of Hazel Skookum that is currently being trained, and the Visitors Center is closed due to flooding and the Village of Carmacks is now the proud new owners of a 10\$ property. It's been a long process to get the land titles to the property, but we have them now.

CORRESPONDENCE:

5.1 Letter from Damien C. Kurek

Council has decided to not act on the letter, they have a lot on their plate at the moment.

5.2 Wrongful Conviction

K. Unterschute requested for this topic to be mentioned in the next meeting before the topic is tabled for further research into the topic.

REPORTS:

6.1 Councillor Activity Reports

Councillor D. Hansen reported that she went to a meeting with Greenwood Engineering, and talked about what's going on at Merv Tew, they discussed the band shelter for the 21st of July, and upon speaking with the contractor it's deemed safe with no issues to it. Merv Tew has flooded around the band shelter. Wooden fencing won't be done since it's quite expensive. She's been attending the 2:00 pm daily meeting at the command center for the flood. They often want a council member around for it, so typically either L. Bodie, J. Lachance, or D. Hansen will attend these meetings. She attended an AYC board meeting yesterday (June 21st) about hiring a new executive director.

Councillor K. Unterschute attended T-ball practice with little kids, then had to self-isolate

Councillor J Lachance attended the FCM in May in Regina with H. Belanger, Ted Laking, and Jocelyn Curteanu from Whitehorse. Besides from the meetings attended, they attended the trade show, spoke with some of the booths there, and got some info about the rink, how to save costs, and how to utilize and get people there for the tournaments. They got business contacts to help with that. After FCM they attended a Powwow and enjoyed their time there and got to learn more about other first nations. J. Lachance and H. Belanger both also attended the water treatment facility walking tour, they had an upgrade done so that everything's re-usable, they're filling the lagoons with the waste, then it settles, rains, and becomes re-usable soil. No chemicals are added, it's all air-rated and UV. They listened to Prime Minister Trudeau at the FCM, Trudeau sincerely mentioned he was listening to our voices in the small communities. Justin has also been helping Mayor Bodie with shared Deputy Mayor responsibilities for emergencies. He is assisting with River Quest right now as well.

Councillor H. Belanger

Attended everything that J. Lachance attended. She mentioned that the next FCM is in Toronto, and they're planning on setting up a northern booth with 3 councillors. They wanted to hear the voices explaining what was going on in the Northern Communities.

6.2 Mayor's Report

Mayor L. Bodie has been dealing with Connor and sandy from EMS daily giving updates and asking him questions about how many people would be evacuated and how many people would need to be transported so they've been in communications about that. Water Levels are still rising a bit, but they still have some tricks to pull with the wastewater treatment plant. Nornskold River has gone down this morning, but it's come back up. Teslin and Ross river both have gone down, hopefully, that means we'll be next. Mayor L. Bodie was sick with covid the previous week with J. Lachance stepping in for him when any issues couldn't be dealt with over the phone which he is grateful for.

6.3 CAO Report

The contract has been mailed off to the new CAO, who will not be here until August, so no CAO report at this time.

6.6 AYC Report

Heard from AYC, YG is still trying to see if we can get the 3-year terms extended to 4 years.

ACCOUNTS PAID AND PAYABLES

Council reviewed the report.

BYLAWS

8.1 Rescind the Covid Bylaw

D. Hansen motioned, H. Belanger second.

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

QUESTION PERIOD

No questions from the public.

IN-CAMERA

11.1 Land

22-02-0 M/S Councillor H. Belanger motioned to go in-camera at 8:54 PM.

22-02-0 M/S Councillor D. Hansen motioned to go out of in-camera at 9:15 PM, second by K. Unterchute.

ADJOURNMENT

22-02-0 M/S Councillor H. Belanger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Mayor L. Bodie adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Mayor Lee Bodie