

**VILLAGE OF HUSSAR
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Thursday, October 20, 2022**

The regular meeting of the council of the Village of Hussar was held in Council Chambers in Hussar, October 20, 2022, commencing at 7:00 pm

<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>	Councillors: Les Schultz, Coralee Schindel, Tim Frank Michelle Plante (Interim CAO) 2 in person and 2 via. conference call	
<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	The Regular Council meeting was called to order at 7:27 pm	
<u>ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA</u>		
2022-10-20-330	MOVED by Councillor Frank to accept the agenda with the following changes; Change Resident Letter from Confidential to Business item b)	CARRIED
<u>DELEGATION</u>	<u>Kate Brandt – Proposed Dog Park/Multi Court</u>	
2022-10-20-331	MOVED by Councillor Schindel to accept Kate’s proposal for the Sports Court and Dog Park as information at this time	CARRIED
<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>	<u>September 29, 2022 Regular Council Meeting</u>	
2022-10-20-332	MOVED by Councillor Frank to bring back the minutes with the discussed changes at the next meeting	CARRIED
<u>POLICY REVIEW</u>	<u>Policy Review</u> The Following Policies were reviewed without change <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5.14 Community Groups Policy	
<u>BUSINESS</u>	<u>Armstrong Auto Quote</u>	
2022-10-20-333	MOVED by Councillor Schultz that the Village get a couple of quotes from local companies to put gravel or asphalt in to temporarily fix until spring when we will look at it again and do a permanent fix for the problem at Armstrong Auto	CARRIED
	Councillor Schultz called a 10 minute recess at 8:02 pm Councillor Schultz called the meeting back to order at 8:11 pm	
2022-10-20-334	<u>Resident Letter about waiving utility fees</u> MOVED by Councillor Frank that the request from the resident cannot be done and is denied and the CAO should contact the resident by e-mail	CARRIED

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FINANCIAL
REPORTS
2022-10-20-335

Financial Reports
September 2022 Bank Reconciliation and cheque listing
MOVED by Councillor Schultz to accept the September 2022 Bank Reconciliation and Cheque Listing as presented

CARRIED

COMMITTEE
MEETINGS

Councillor Frank
Did not have any meetings to report on

Councillor Schultz

Wheatland Housing Management Body met again on Oct. 13th 2022, we have met a bunch of times in the last six weeks. Most of the meetings have been dealing with the Strategic Plan that Community Futures has been helping develop. This meeting was held at the Community Futures office because there was an outbreak status announced at the Lodge. As it turned out Wendy from Community Futures Wild Rose was unable to make it to the meeting so we did not have an opportunity to go over the Strategic Plan again. There were reports given by the CAO of the Lodge Vickey Cook and also there was a request to have the spokesperson Glen Koester and Vickey to attend the Wheatland Regional Partnership meeting in Rockyford and they agreed to go and give an update. Vickey has also applied for \$25000 grant called the New Horizon Grant which can be used to update games and equipment for the Lodge. The next meeting is on October 27th and it will be an update from Derek Wiess the project manager for the new build and what stages the funding and everything is at. Then another meeting on Nov. 21st for to hopefully finalize the Strategic Plan which is a Government requirement. Possibly a Christmas party on December 8th the same day as the Resident party.

Wheatland Housing Management Body - So far in Sept. We have had 3 meetings, mostly to do with updating the Strategic Plan but also some reporting on operations. The next meeting is Oct. 13th and there will be a presentation from Derek Weiss the project manager for the future new build of the Lodge/Hospice.

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Wheatland and Adjacent Districts Emergency Medical Association met October 17th at 7pm at Wheatlands Office. The financials were presented and everything is good with that. There was no report from the Chair so we went right into the CAO report from Rob Witty. The call volume to date up to Sept. 2022 was 3348 calls which is actually a decrease from the same time last year of 20%. They are still averaging 372 calls per month and some months see it as high as 500. There is some training underway and it is "Medical Control Protocol Training" which is required to meet the requirements by March of 2023 so they should be ahead of schedule on that. It is 6 hours of skills training and then a bunch of online training as well. We have ordered 2 new ambulances which were ordered a couple years back but Rob figures that one should be delivered in late spring of 2023 and who knows when the second will arrive and by that time there will have to be another one ordered. Repair costs are stacking up on a couple of them but that's just what has to be done. Cost for an ambulance is approx. \$325,000. Rob is hoping to have an Awards banquet/ Christmas party sometime in December.

Regional Partnership meeting was on Oct. 18th at Rockyford Office, We started off with an update and presentation by WHMB spokesperson Glen Koester and CAO Vickey Cook which had a lot of great information on Lodge costs and also the fundraising efforts that are being done to raise money for the new build. The old lodge is 60+ years old and there are many things needed to upgrade to meet codes and requirements by the Province. The lodge currently has 100 beds so the new lodge would have to be at least that big or bigger and hopefully also a Hospice wing or at least a couple of suites. They could not say for certain but a possible 20% increase in requisition could be coming. As per the agenda I did not have an update for the Health Initiative project but Mayor Pat Fule of Strathmore had some comments about doctors and hospitals after a meeting he had with the Health Minister, the Province agrees there is a problem and stated to him that they are working on solutions and once their studies are concluded they may have some answers to the doctor and nurse shortages and retainment. We all agreed to sign the letter to go to the Alberta Utilities Commission about the high costs. Some discussion on municipalities making the HandiBus a line item in their budget and what that would have to look like.

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Councillor Schindel

Wheatland Family & Community Support Services on September 28. Excess Indirect Funding available. Will send letter to groups to notify them it is available and must be used within 60 days. A couple of large donations were received by WFCSS, and one was made in memory of Lynn Walker. FCSSAA Membership Conference 3 board members will still attend. Grant Application to WRREH was accepted & approved. Will update when we hear back. Strathmore Lunch & Learn was well attended. Looking into a Volunteer Connector - allows people to post they're availability to volunteer and for organizations looking for volunteers to make postings. Enquired about disposition of older records or if they should move to electronic. Approval to destroy (shred) records that are no longer needed, if brought to council for approval each time. Motioned to destroy records from 2015. Discussed that we should keep any photos or other special public documents that would be appreciated down the line at anniversary celebrations. Oasis Campground has new owners that are offering the campground facilities for fundraisers to charity or non-for-profit organizations. Meals on Wheels price increase October 2, 2022 - Prices used to match with Strathmore and now there is a difference. Asked board if price could be matched. Received as information at this time.

CAO REPORT

2022-10-20-336

MOVED by Councillor Frank to accept the CAO, Public Works and JG Water Services report as information

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

2022-10-20-337

MOVED by Councillor Schultz to accept the following correspondence as presented:

- (a) UtilityNet – Customer Choice
- (b) Minister Shandro – Anti-Semitism
- (c) Martin Shields – Parliament Update

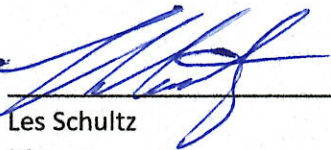
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held Thursday, November 10th, 2022 in Council Chambers

These minutes approved this 12 day of January, 2023.



Les Schultz
Mayor



Elizabeth Santerre
Chief Administrative Officer