



**MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF RYCROFT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 18, 2023**

VILLAGE OF RYCROFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT:	James Verquin	Mayor
	Roxann Dreger	Deputy Mayor
	Joanne Chelick	Councillor
	Brian Markovich	Councillor
	Dwayne Kotyk	Councillor
	Peter Thomas	Chief Administrative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Verquin called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2023-4-18-91 **MOVED** by Councillor Kotyk that Council adopt the Regular Council meeting agenda for April 18, 2023 as presented. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

3.1 Minutes from the April 5, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

2023-4-18-92 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council approve the April 5, 2023 Regular Council meeting minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. CAO REPORT

6.1 CAO Report, Action Item List, Calendar, and Council Strategic Priorities Chart

2023-4-18-93 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council accept the CAO Report, Action Item List, Calendar, and Strategic Priorities Chart as presented. **CARRIED**

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Chelick
April 17 Grande Spirit Foundation Meeting

5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 Doyle and Company Financial Auditors RE: 2022 Financial Statements

Auditor Steven Kim joined the meeting via zoom meeting at 6:41 pm. and reviewed the 2022 Audited Financial Statements with Council.

Steven Kim left the meeting at 6:51 pm.

2023-4-18-94 **MOVED** by Councillor Markovich that Council approve the 2022 Audited Financial Statements as presented. **CARRIED**

7. **COUNCIL REPORTS (continued)**

Deputy Mayor Dreger

April 17 CP Health and Wellness Committee Meeting

2023-4-18-95 **MOVED** by Councillor Markovich that Council accept the Council member verbal reports as presented. **CARRIED**

5. **DELEGATIONS (continued)**

5.2 **Resident Laurie Davies RE: Backyard Hens**

Resident Laurie Davies joined the meeting at 6:58 pm. and made a presentation to Council in the interest of changing the Animal Control bylaw to allow backyard hens.

After some discussion Mayor Verquin noted that Council will further review the documentation presented and then advise Ms. Davies of their decision. Laurie Davies left the meeting at 7:09 pm.

8. **PREVIOUS BUSINESS**

8.1 **Minimum Tax: Council Discussion**

2023-4-18-96 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council direct Administration to bring back a further report on community tax rate comparisons, as well as tax increase impacts prior to the approval of the 2023 Tax Rate Bylaw. **CARRIED**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 **RFD: 2023 Tax Sale**

2023-4-18-97 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council set the date for the annual Tax Sale as Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Village Council Chambers; AND THAT Council set the reserve bid for the sale property as follows:

<u>Roll Number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Value</u>
206.000	4648 53 Street	\$114,560
306.000	4536 48 Street	\$ 15,740
350.000	4603 47 Street	\$ 76,550
418.000	4411 46 Avenue	\$181,490

CARRIED

9.2 **Northern Alberta Elected Leaders Invoice 2023**

2023-4-18-98 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council renew the Council membership in the Northern Alberta Elected Leaders organization for 2023 in the amount of \$200. **CARRIED**

10. **CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS**

10.1 **Central Peace Regional Water Supply Project Overview April 5, 2023**

10.2 **FCSS Asset Based Community Development Conference**

10.3 **Town of Toffield RE: Exemption of Newspaper from EPR Prog. Revisions**

10.4 **Wellspring Cancer Support**

10.5 **CN Rail 2023 Vegetation Program Municipal Notice**

10.6 **Alberta Recreation and Parks Awards**

10.7 **Canada Day Grant Approval letter**

- **Minister of Canadian Heritage - Additional letter (Ukraine) Activities involving the participation of Russian or Belarusian state organizations or their official representatives**

2023-4-18-99 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council accept the correspondence items 10.1 to 10.7 for information. **CARRIED**

Mayor Verquin called for a recess at 7:35 pm for a break.

Mayor Verquin called the meeting back to order at 7:40 pm.

11. **CLOSED MEETING**

11.1 **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Pt. 1, Div. 2, Sect. 16 (Land Sale Offer)**

11.2 **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Pt. 1, Div. 2, Sect. 19 (Library Board Appointment)**

- 2023-4-18-100 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council move to a closed meeting at 7:40 p.m. as per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Part 1, Division 2, Sections 16 and 19 (Land Sale Offer and Library Board Appt.)
CARRIED
- 2023-4-18-101 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council come out of the closed meeting at 7:54 p.m.
CARRIED
- 2023-4-18-102 **MOVED** by Councillor Kotyk that Council direct Administration to proceed with the land sale offers as discussed
CARRIED
- 2023-4-18-103 **MOVED** by Councillor Kotyk that Council appoint Samantha Little as a public member of the Rycroft Library Board.
CARRIED

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Verquin adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.


James Verquin
Mayor


Peter Thomas
Chief Administrative Officer