



**MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF RYCROFT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 3, 2023**

VILLAGE OF RYCROFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT:

**James Verquin
Roxann Dreger
Joanne Chelick
Dwayne Kotyk
Brian Markovich**

**Mayor
Deputy Mayor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor**

**Peter Thomas
Lisa Shaykowski**

**Chief Administrative Officer
Finance Clerk**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2023-5-3-104 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council adopt the Regular Council meeting agenda for May 3, 2023 as presented. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

3.1 Minutes from the April 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

2023-5-3-105 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council approve the April 18, 2023 Regular Council meeting minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 RCMP Sergeant Stokes

Sergeant Stokes did not attend the meeting.

5.2 Central Peace Community Garden Park

Shelley Loroff and Darlene Knezevich joined the meeting at 6:32 p.m. and provided Council with an update on the community garden.

2023-5-3-106 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council direct Administration to look into how we can assist the garden club with their insurance costs for the garden operation. **CARRIED**

Shelley Loroff and Darlene Knezevich left the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

6. **CAO REPORT**

6.1 **CAO Report, Action Item List, Calendar, Strategic Priorities Chart, and Public Works Report**

2023-5-3-107 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council accept the CAO Report, Action Item List, Calendar, Strategic Priorities Chart, and the Public Works Report as presented. **CARRIED**

7. **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Councillor Chelick

April 21 Central Peace Fire and Rescue Commission Meeting

April 28 Grande Spirit Foundation Meeting

Councillor Kotyk

April 25 Funding Request at Saddle Hills County Council Meeting

Mayor Verquin

April 25 Funding Request at Saddle Hills County Council Meeting

Deputy Mayor Dreger

April 21 Central Peace Fire and Rescue Commission Meeting

2023-5-3-108 **MOVED** by Councillor Kotyk that Council accept the Council member verbal reports as presented. **CARRIED**

8. **PREVIOUS BUSINESS**

8.1 **Backyard Hens Request from April 18 Regular Council Meeting**

2023-5-3-109 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council direct Administration to look into best practices for allowing backyard hens to be managed in the Village for the purpose of setting up a trial run of the program for the community, and present to Council for consideration. **CARRIED**

8.2 **Tax Rates 2023**

2023-5-3-110 **MOVED** by Councillor Markovich that the tax rates for 2023 be set at a 5% increase to the farm and residential rates, and a 3% increase to the non-residential and industrial rates. **CARRIED**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 **Central Peace Firefighter's Association Golf Sponsorship Request**

2023-5-3-111 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council purchase a platinum sponsorship for \$2,000 to the Central Peace Firefighter's Association Golf Tournament on June 17, 2023. **CARRIED**

9.2 **Resident Klugh Letter of Concern RE: Animal Control Bylaw and Charge**

2023-5-3-112 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council accept the resident letter of concern regarding the Animal Control Bylaw and charge for information. **CARRIED**

9.3 **Financial Report to March 31, 2023**

2023-5-3-113 **MOVED** by Councillor Kotyk that Council accept the Financial report update to March 31, 2023 as presented. **CARRIED**

10. **CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS**

- 10.1 **Camrose Casino RE: Relocation and Unfair Treatment of Rural Charities**
- 10.2 **Happy Valley Ag Club Request for Donation**
- 10.3 **Rycroft Library Board Meeting Minutes April 12, 2023**
- 10.4 **AB Munis RE: Update on Retroactive RCMP Overtime Costs**
- 10.5 **Central Peace Fire and Rescue Commission Mtg Minutes April 21, 2023**
- 10.6 **Central Peace Regional Water Supply Project Overview April 19, 2023**
- 10.7 **Ministers Awards For Library Excellence**
- 10.8 **Peace Country Enforcement Report March 2023**

2023-5-3-114 **MOVED** by Councillor Kotyk that Council purchase a \$500 sponsorship for the Happy Valley Ag and Recreation Club riding arena for 2023.

CARRIED

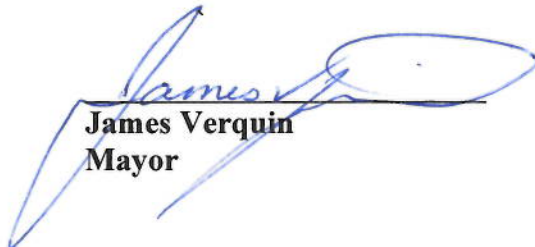
2023-5-3-115 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council accept the correspondence items 10.1, and 10.3 to 10.8 for information.

CARRIED

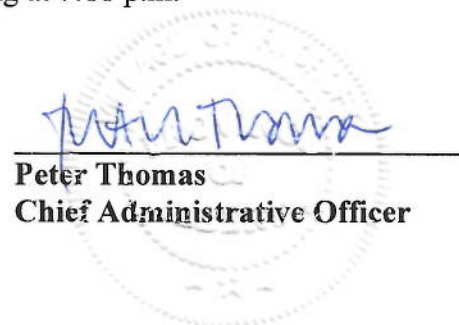
11. **CLOSED MEETING**

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Verquin adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.



James Verquin
Mayor



Peter Thomas
Chief Administrative Officer