

**TOWN OF EATONIA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2023**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Eatonia held the 8th day of August 2023 in the Town Council Chambers at 202 Main Street, Eatonia, Saskatchewan.

PRESENT:

Mayor Darcy Scott, Deputy Mayor Dean Aldridge, Councillors Kevin Stevens, Brennan Somerville, and Administrator Cheryl Bailey.

ABSENT:

Councillors Codie Cumiskey, Justin McKinnon and Matthew McKinnon

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

That the agenda for tonight's meeting has been reviewed by the Council and will be used as a guideline for this meeting.

MINUTES:

July 11, 2023 Public Meeting:

1/8/23	Aldridge/Somerville	That the minutes of the public hearing held July 11, 2023 be approved as presented. Carried.
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July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting:

2/8/23	Somerville/Stevens	That the minutes of the regular meeting held July 11, 2023 be approved as presented. Carried.
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FINANCIAL REPORTS:

3/8/23	Somerville/Stevens	That the statement of financial activities and bank reconciliation for the month of July 2023 be accepted as presented and form a part of these minutes. Carried.
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ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL AND PAYMENT:

4/8/23	Somerville/Stevens	That the accounts for approval and payment covered by cheque # 11945 to 11978 inclusive along with internet payments totaling \$83,192.31 for both and direct deposit payroll # 715231 to 731236 inclusive totalling \$12,454.69 and Rec Board payments covered by cheque # 2858 to 2860 inclusive totalling \$1,079.00 and direct deposit payroll # 2307311 to 23073116 inclusive totalling \$17,234.17 as listed and forming a part of these minutes be approved for payment. Carried.
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CORRESPONDENCE:

5/8/23 **Aldridge/Somerville**

That the following correspondence, having been read, be filed:

- **Eatonia Community Hall Committee** – February 6, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- **Ministry of Government Relations** – Approve Targeted Sector Funding for Joint Emergency Response Plan
- **Eatonia Heritage Board** – July 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- **Leader and District Trust Advisory Committee** – Response from the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation
- **RBC Direct Investing** – June 30, 2023 Financial Statement

Carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Foreman Rob Assmus:

Water Treatment Plant Test Results:

6/8/23 **Somerville/Stevens**

That the water treatment plant test results recorded for the period of July 2023 be accepted as presented and filed for future reference.

Carried.

Written Report:

7/8/23 **Aldridge/Somerville**

That the following written report from Foreman Rob Assmus be received as information:

- Everything is good at the water treatment plant. No changes. Wells seem to be keeping up. Consumption is normal for this time of the year.
- Dealt with issues at the pool – boiler, chemical feed pump, water link leaking.
- Spent a week at a property in town installing new water and sewer lines to the house. They were leaking. Will be invoicing the property owner for the costs involved in replacing the lines.
- Cut grass and weeds.
- Installed most of the signs that were ordered under the SGI grant.

Carried.

Bylaw Enforcement Officer Phillip Brown:

8/8/23 **Somerville/Stevens**

That the Bylaw Enforcement Officer Phillip Brown's report for July 2023 be received as information and filed for future reference.

Carried.

Waste Disposal Grounds Operator Rob May:

9/8/23 **Stevens/Aldridge**

That Waste Disposal Grounds Operator Rob May's report for July 2023 be received as information and filed for future reference.

Carried.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Library Board Fundraiser Donation Request:

10/8/23 **Aldridge/Somerville** That a donation of \$200.00 be made to the Eatonia Library Board for their Murder Mystery and Roast Beef Dinner Fundraiser to be held Saturday, October 21, 2023.

Carried.

Cemetery Columbarium:

11/8/23 **Somerville/Stevens** That a 16-niche columbarium, to match the existing columbarium at the Eatonia Cemetery, be ordered from Clifford Neufeld, Remco Memorials, for \$22,845 plus installation cost of \$3500 and applicable taxes subject to only a 25% deposit paid and a guarantee that there will be no price increase from when the quote is accepted to the delivery date in 2024.

Carried.

Heritage Board Member Appointment:

12/8/23 **Somerville/Aldridge** That the appointment of Sharon Butt to replace Bill Wardill's vacant spot on the Eatonia Heritage Board be approved.

Carried.

Cancel Outstanding Accounts Receivable:

13/8/23 **Aldridge/Stevens** That the following accounts receivable amounts be written off as uncollectible:

- Camping fees, NSF Fee & Interest Accrued from Summer of 2014 - \$280.00
- Utility Arrears from Bill Card # 124 from September 2019 to February 2020 - \$350.50

Carried.

Utility Services Collection Policy:

14/8/23 **Aldridge/Scott** That Utility Services Collection Policy No. 23 to manage the water and sewer accounts receivable effectively be accepted and filed for future reference.

Carried.

Lease SW Corner of Block 9, Plan BU4993:

15/8/23 **Aldridge/Stevens** That the southwest corner of Block 9, Plan BU4993, Ext 1 (approximately 41.14 metres x 41.23 metres) be leased to Achieve Land and Crop for the purpose of a storage area for five (5) years starting September 15, 2023 with annual lease payments of \$2,000 plus GST to be paid September 15 and March 15.

Carried.

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Wage Increases:

16/8/23 **Scott/Stevens** That Administrator Cheryl Bailey's wage be increased from \$43.48 per hour (monthly wage of \$6,594.61) to \$50.00 per hour (monthly wage of \$7,583.50) effective August 1, 2023.

Carried.

17/8/23 **Somerville/Aldridge** That Foreman Rob Assmus's wage be increased from \$37.90 per hour (monthly wage of \$6,569.21) to \$40.55 per hour (monthly wage of \$7,028.53) effective August 1, 2023.

Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Eatonia Oasis Living:

Dean Aldridge reported that they currently have 17 residents. They are still working on renovating the rooms. Their crop fundraiser is close to being harvested.

Recreation Board:

Brennan Somerville reported that the new Rec Director is doing an excellent job. They are working on upkeep projects for the arena such as the bathrooms.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting of council will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT:

18/8/23 **Aldridge/Somerville** That this meeting adjourns. (9:04 p.m.)
Carried.



Mayor



Administrator