

**TOWN OF EATONIA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Eatonia held the 8th day of September 2020 in the Town Council Chambers at 202 Main Street, Eatonia, Saskatchewan.

PRESENT:

Mayor Troy Becker, Deputy Mayor Darren Donald, Councillors Annette Palmer, Fritz Eckstein, Darcy Scott, Robert (Sam) Somerville, Matthew McKinnon and Administrator Cheryl Bailey

ABSENT:

None

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. after the public hearing was closed to adopt a bylaw under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* to amend Bylaw No. 4/16 known as Official Community Plan and Bylaw No. 5/16 known as the Zoning Bylaw.

AGENDA:

1/9/20	Eckstein/Donald	That the agenda for this meeting be adopted as presented.
		Carried.

MINUTES:

August 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes:

2/9/20	Somerville/Palmer	That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held August 11, 2020 be approved as presented.
		Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Proposal for Sale of Land - Rescinded Motion:

3/9/20	Palmer/Scott	That the Council recognizes that some work was completed by Meridian Surveys to start the surveying and subdividing of NW 14-26-25 W3rd Ext 9 for \$1474.64.
		Carried.

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville declared a conflict of interest in the next item of business as they are part owners of the property. They abstained from the discussion and voting and temporarily left the council meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Town Offer to Purchase Land:

4/9/20	Scott/Eckstein	That the counter offer of \$2,970 from Bryan, Ken and Robert (Sam) Somerville and Matthew McKinnon to purchase approximately 249 ft. x 200 ft. (approximately 1.15 acres) of NW 14-26-25-3, Ext 9, Parcel Number 202976590 be accepted and the town will be responsible for the costs of surveying, subdividing and transfer of title.
		Carried.

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville returned to the council meeting at 7:40 p.m. after the discussion and voting had concluded.

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FINANCIAL REPORTS:

5/9/20 **Eckstein/Donald** That the statement of financial activities and bank reconciliation for the month of August 2020 be accepted as presented and form a part of these minutes.
Carried.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL AND PAYMENT:

6/9/20 **Somerville/Palmer** That the accounts for approval and payment covered by cheque # 10578 to 10608 inclusive along with internet payments totaling \$53,629.72 for both and direct deposit payroll # 815201 to 831205 inclusive totaling \$15,837.92 and Rec Board direct deposit payroll # 8151 to 83115 inclusive totaling \$18,209.85 as listed and forming part of these minutes be approved for payment..
Carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville declared a conflict of interest in the next item of business as they are part owners of the property west of the back alley. They abstained from the discussion and voting and temporarily left the council meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Closure of Alleyway:

Notice was given to the public by posting a notice at the Town of Eatonia office, lobby of the Canada Post Office, September 2020 issue of the Eatonia News Bulletin and by mailing notice of the matter to all affected parties by ordinary mail on August 18, 2020 that the Council intends to discuss the closure of the back alley on the west side of Block 19 in accordance with Section 13 of *The Municipalities Act* and Public Notice Policy Bylaw No. 8/05.

7/9/20 **Eckstein/Donald** That the Administrator be authorized to apply for consent from the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure to close the alleyway on the west side of Block 19 as it is vested in the Crown, has never been constructed and not needed for the travelling public.
Carried.

8/9/20 **Eckstein/Scott** ~~That subject to the consent of the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure to close the alleyway on the west side of Block 19 and subject to any easement or right of way required by Sask Power, Sask Energy/Trans Gas and Sask Tel, the town agrees to sell the alleyway for \$1.00 each to the following adjacent properties:~~
Rescinded
December 8, 2020
Council Meeting
C Bailey
Resolution #
12/12/20
~~○ Lots 1 & 2, Block 19, Plan 63MJ06778, Ext 0
○ Lot 5, Block 19, Plan 63MJ06778, Ext 0
○ Lot 6, Block 19, Plan 63MJ06778, Ext 24
○ Lots 8 & 9, Block 19, Plan 88MJ00520, Ext 0
○ Lot 10, Block 19, Plan 88MJ00520, Ext 0~~
and that the purchaser is responsible for the surveying, subdividing and transfer of title.
Carried.

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville returned to the council meeting at 8:19 p.m. after the discussion and voting had concluded.

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DELEGATES:

Darryl Oomen attended the meeting requesting information regarding the back alley closure and information regarding how it would affect his property.

Kelly Dearborn attended the meeting to discuss the portion of land that was used as a dumping grounds on the SE 22-26-25-W3rd quarter. This portion of land was just across the road from the old town nuisance grounds. Kelly had the land surveyed and has discovered that there are still multiple items of sizeable refuse remaining. He wants to discuss the clean up of these items and how to return the land to its previous state.

CORRESPONDENCE:

9/9/20 **Somerville/McKinnon**

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

- **RBC Direct Investing** – July 31, 2020 Financial Statement
- **Eatonia Heritage Board** – Minutes from the August 20, 2020 Meeting

Carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Foreman Rob Assmus:

Water Treatment Plant Test Results:

10/9/20 **Eckstein/Scott**

That the water treatment plant test results recorded for the period of August 1 - 31, 2020 be accepted as presented and filed for future reference.

Carried.

Written Report:

11/9/20 **Palmer/Scott**

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

- Everything is good at the water treatment plant. Wells are keeping up with no issues. Will have to buy a chlorine scale as he is having trouble zeroing it out. He will check into the cost of it. Has been put off for the last 4 years.
- All the curbs and crosswalks are painted.
- Everything is good at the pool. The pool was closed for the season Sunday, September 6.
- Lagoon is almost empty but when the plots are combined, Rob plans to empty the lagoon until he can get to the pump.
- All the streets have been swept since the sweeper has been repaired. Will do it once again this fall yet.
- Airport has been mowed and should be good for the year now.
- The crew has removed all the grave covers that do not need cutting off the headstone. Everything left needs to be cut off.
- Did a few sewer cleanings.

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Bylaw Enforcement Officer Phillip Brown:

12/9/20 **Scott/Donald** That Bylaw Enforcement Officer Phillip Brown's report for August 2020 be received as information and filed for future reference.

Carried.

Waste Disposal Grounds Operator Rob May:

13/9/20 **Palmer/Donald** That Waste Disposal Grounds Operator Rob May's report for July 2020 be received as information and filed for future reference.

Carried.

14/9/20 **Scott/Donald** That Waste Disposal Grounds Operator Rob May's report for August 2020 be received as information and filed for future reference.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Meals on Wheels Volunteers:

15/9/20 **Palmer/Scott** That the town volunteer to deliver Meals on Wheels at noon on Wednesday's to Home Care Clients in the community.

Carried.

Nuisance Grounds:

16/9/20 **Scott/McKinnon** That the quote of \$3,363.00 plus applicable taxes from Jesse Wagner, Maple Creek, to install a barb wire fence on the south side of the Nuisance Grounds from the entrance gate to the metal compound fence be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Dust Control on West Service Road:

17/9/20 **Donald/Scott** That the Administrator be authorized to contact the R.M. of Chesterfield No. 261 to see what they use for dust control and get a quote from them for the materials and labour to apply on the service road.

Carried.

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville declared a conflict of interest in the next items of business as they are part owners of the property interested in acquiring dirt from the town pile. They abstained from the discussion and voting and temporarily left the council meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Request to Obtain Dirt from Town Pile:

Bryan, Ken and Robert (Sam) Somerville and Matthew McKinnon are interested in purchasing dirt from the town pile to build approaches into their property at NW 14-26-25-3, Ext 9, Parcel Number 202976590. The Council did not make a decision on this as they want to talk to Foreman Rob Assmus first to see what he needs for the town before selling any.

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville returned to the council meeting at 8:30 p.m. after the discussion had concluded.

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BYLAWS:

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville declared a conflict of interest in the next items of business as they are part owners of the property to be rezoned. They abstained from the discussion and voting and temporarily left the council meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Bylaw No. 9/20 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment:

18/9/20 **Scott/Donald**

That Bylaw No. 9/20 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 5/16 known as the Zoning Bylaw be read a second time.

Carried.

Bylaw No. 10/20 - Official Community Plan Amendment:

19/9/20 **Donald/Palmer**

That Bylaw No. 10/20 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 4/16 known as the Official Community Plan Bylaw be read a second time.

Carried.

Councillors Matthew McKinnon and Robert (Sam) Somerville returned to the council meeting at 8:50 p.m. after the discussion and voting had concluded.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Library Board:

Annette Palmer reported that they are still doing curbside pickup. More advertising is being done to let the public know that the library is open to borrow books.

Heritage Board:

Annette Palmer reported that the Eaton House has been painted. The draw for the Paint the House Wine Raffle has been done.

Recreation Board:

Darren Donald reported that the swimming pool is now closed. They are working on getting the hockey season going. They have a Rec Board meeting on Monday, September 14, 2020.

Foundation Board:

Fritz Eckstein reported that the renovations have been done and utility sink installed at the apartment. Currently looking for a new janitor and someone to mow the grass.

Eatonia Oasis Living:

Troy Becker reported that the Assistant Administrator has resigned. They currently have 16 residents residing there.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting of council will be held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT:

20/9/20 **Somerville/Donald**

That this meeting adjourns. (8:54 p.m.)
Carried.



Mayor



Administrator