

# Village of Myrnam

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for the Village of Myrnam  
Held on September 14, 2023, in the Village of Myrnam Council Chambers

**PRESENT:** Mayor Donna Rudolf, Deputy Mayor Raymond Yaremchuk and Chief Administrative Officer Elsie Kiziak

**Missing:** Councillor Kurt Ewanec

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor D. Rudolf called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**2023-120 MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to adopt the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES:**

**2023-121 MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 17, 2023, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**OPEN FORUM:** No one was present for Open Forum.

**Councillor Kurt Ewanec attended the meeting.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Public Works Report**

The Public Works Report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

**Financial Report**

The Financial Report consisting of the 1) Bank Reconciliation Statement for month ending August 2023, and 2) the Cheque Listing for August 11, 2023 – September 7, 2023, provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

**Chief Administrative Officer Report**

The Chief Administrative Officer Report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak. CAO E. Kiziak added that Alberta Safety Codes Council will be discussing compliance/enforcement options regarding the old theatre property with Municipal Affairs. Mayor D. Rudolf will prepare a letter to be sent to Alberta Safety Codes Council highlighting the importance of addressing the non-compliance as an immediate issue due to safety concerns.

**2023-122 MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to accept the Administrative Reports as presented.

**CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**2023-123 MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf to accept the Correspondence as presented.

**CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Potential Library Board**

No letters of interest received as of September 7, 2023 except from New Myrnam School in support of the library receiving support needed from the Village to create a library board. CAO Kiziak has received two informal expressions of interest via message on Facebook or on her personal messaging system, however nothing has been received by the office. The Facebook and website links lead to information on how to express interest.

**2023-124 MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk that due to the lack of interest of persons to form a library board, and that the library operates functionally without a municipal library board, the Village will not pursue the creation of a municipal library board at this time.

**CARRIED**

**BYLAWS AND POLICIES:**

**2023-07 Amending Land Use Bylaw 2018-08 Bylaw**

The Myrnam River Ridge Riders purchased Lot 29 Block 2 Plan 668EO and intended on placing a heated addition on the back of the current building for the purposes of storing their equipment and supplies and to hold their monthly meetings. The company who provides compliance monitoring services in the building, electrical, plumbing, and gas disciplines states that since the location of the property is within a commercial district that certain building specs need to be met. The Association is requesting the district to be changed from Commercial to Residential.

**2023-125 MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk that the Bylaw 2023-07 be now read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ATCO Franchise Fees**

Annually, as per franchise agreement, the Village of Myrnam may apply for a change to the franchise fee percentage. At this time, the Village's franchise fees are set at 6%.

**2023-126 MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to apply to increase the ATCO Electric Franchise Fee rate from 6% to 8%.

**CARRIED**

**2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership Grant Application Resolutions**

The Town of Two Hills, as managing partner, is applying to the ACP for the purposes of a Regional Asset Management Strategy Project. Also, the Village of Myrnam, as managing partner, is applying to the ACP for the purpose of a Regional Economic Development Strategy Project.

- 2023-127** **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec that the Village of Myrnam supports the Town of Two Hills' (managing partner) submission of a 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership grant application in support of the Regional Asset Management Strategy project; no matching contribution required.

**CARRIED**

- 2023-128** **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk that the Village of Myrnam supports the submission of a 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership grant application in support of the Regional Economic Development Strategy project and is prepared to manage the grant project and related compliance requirements; no matching contribution required.

**CARRIED**

**Unsold Auction Properties/Bid for Lot 12 Block 3 Plan 2859ET**

The Village attempted to auction off 8 properties due to tax arrears. The Village purchased 3 properties. Five of the properties received no bids. After the auction, one property received a bid of \$3,000 (below the reserve bid of \$5,000; Lot 12 Block 3 Plan 2859ET).

- 2023-129** **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to register a tax forfeiture on the following properties:

- Lot 12 Block 3 Plan 2859ET
- Lot 17 Block 9 Plan 2624HW
- Lot 2 Block 4 Plan 1747EO
- Lot 4 Block 8 Plan 8090ET
- Lot 13 Block 2 Plan 668EO

**CARRIED**

- 2023-130** **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf for Administration to have the properties listed below assessed for market value and marketed by The Hometown Real Estate Co.:

- Lot 12 Block 3 Plan 2859ET
- Lot 17 Block 9 Plan 2624HW
- Lot 2 Block 4 Plan 1747EO
- Lot 4 Block 8 Plan 8090ET
- Lot 13 Block 2 Plan 668EO

**CARRIED**

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**2023-131 MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to reject the offer to purchase of Lot 12 Block 3 Plan 2859ET.

**CARRIED**

**Lease Agreement – Curling Rink**

The lease of the curling rink between the Village of Myrnam and the Myrnam Curling Club expires on November 10, 2023. The last lease agreement was a one-time extension of the previous lease agreement for 10 years (November 2013 to 2023).

**2023-132 MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf to offer a 10-year lease to the Myrnam Curling Club at a rate of \$1.00 per year for the curling rink for the purposes of operating a curling rink.

**CARRIED**

**Letter from resident re: Sidewalk**

A letter was received by a resident requesting Council to replace the sidewalk at 5002 – 50 Avenue due to its poor condition.

**2023-133 MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec that Administration conduct an analysis of all Category B sidewalks within the Village of Myrnam according to the Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter Maintenance Management Policy by the end of October 2023; and further, to contact the landowner to advise that the sidewalk at 5002 50 Avenue is on the list of sidewalks to be considered for rehabilitation/replacement.

**CARRIED**

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

There were no reports provided.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2023.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With all items on the agenda having been addressed Mayor D. Rudolf adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 10:14 P.M.

<b>Chief Elected Official</b>
<b>Chief Administrative Officer</b>