

**VILLAGE OF VETERAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 25, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Veteran was held on Tuesday, August 25, 2020, in the Veteran Hall meeting room.

- ORDER:** Mayor Wipf, called the regular meeting to order at 5:32pm.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Wipf, Councillors Allison & Kessler, and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone
Dave Bruha observing.
- AGENDA:**
- 2020-128** Councillor Kessler moved to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- MINUTES:**
- 2020-129** Mayor Wipf moved the minutes of the regular council meeting held on July 28, 2020, be approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- OLD BUSINESS**
- DELEGATION** 5:35pm - Village Foreman – report on 93 GMC, 1980 Chev 3 ton and 1989 Case Loader/Tractor. Exited at 5:55pm.
- 2020-130** Mayor Wipf moved to put up for sale the 1980 Chev 3 ton for \$12,000 obo and the 1989 Case Loader/Tractor for \$8,000 obo.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2) Tax Sale
- 2020-131** Councillor Kessler moved to approve the CAO’s minutes of the August 5, 2020 tax sale, which no one attended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 3) Old Savings Account
- 2020-132** Councillor Allison moved to transfer all but \$.01 to leave the savings account active.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- BYLAWS:** None
- NEW BUSINESS:**
- 2020-133** Mayor Wipf moved to approve the 2 MSP Applications that were approved via text messages on August 11th as follows:
1. Lucknow Street Overlay - \$33,000 - from Alberta Ave to Loyalist Ave (in front of the school)
2. Road Maintenance Repair - \$17,000 for 7 repair projects.
And to approve the Memorandum of Agreement.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2) 1993 GMC Repairs
- 3) 214 Redan Street- Tax Recovery Sale
- 2020-134** Councillor Allison moved to write a letter to the previous owner of the tax recovery property located at 214 Redan Street advising of the surplus funds of \$3,191.50.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 4) RWA Chartered Professional Accountants – 3 Year Proposal

2020-135 Mayor Wipf moved to approve the 3 year proposal from RWA Chartered Professional Accountants for \$8,500 per year for 2020, 2021 & 2022 but to also ask for an extension for year 4 and 5 as well.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5) 1989 Tractor/Loader & 1980 Chev 3 Ton

COUNCILLORS REPORT:

Mayor Wipf – verbal report presented.

Councillor Allison – verbal report presented.

Councillor Kessler – verbal report presented.

2020-136 Mayor Wipf moved to approve the CAO report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

FINANCIAL

2020-137 Councillor Kessler moved to approve the cheque listing in the amount of \$49,642.53 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2020-138 Mayor Wipf moved to approve a gift card for the following Communities in Bloom members from NicDonna's Greenhouse:

Dianne Ulseth- \$50

Shirley Kary - \$25

Connie Larson - \$25

Irvin Usselman - \$25

Gordon & Paulette Long - \$25.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2020-139 Mayor Wipf moved to approve the monthly financial statements for the period ending July 31, 2020 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORRESPONDENCE: Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

None

Information Items:

- Municipal Affairs – Assessment review model – we could see our linear assessment decrease by approximately \$2300
- ATCO Electric – 2021 Franchise Fee – leave as is or increase. We are currently at 6%. There is a process if we want to increase it. I recommend we leave as is for 2021. Possibly increase in 2022 to help offset policing costs.
- ATCO Electric – price changes effective August 1, non-invested streetlights increase by 2.5%, invested streetlights will decrease by 18.7% (we have 48 of these lights) so our streetlight costs should be a little cheaper.
- ATCO Gas – 2021 Franchise Fee – leave as is or increase. We are currently at 6%. There is a process if we want to increase it. I recommend we leave as is for 2021. Possibly increase in 2022 to help offset policing costs.
- Battle River Watershed – Paddle the Battle & 2019-2020 annual report.
- Timesheets – June & July for CAO & Village Foreman

2020-140 Councillor Kessler moved to accept the correspondence as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CLOSED MEETING:

2020-141 Mayor Wipf moved that council close the meeting to the public at 6:22pm to discuss the old firehall as per Section 25, FOIP.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2020-142 Councillor Allison moved that council return to the open meeting at 6:25pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2020-143 Councillor Allison moved to re-tender the old Firehall with a closing date of 12 noon on September 22. It is to be advertised in the Consort Enterprise for the next two weeks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT:

2020-144 Mayor Wipf moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:27pm.

NEXT MEETING: Regular Council Meeting – September 22, 2020 @ 5:30pm

Jerry Wipf,
Mayor

Debbie Johnstone,
Chief Administrative Officer