

**VILLAGE OF VETERAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 18, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Veteran was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, in the Village Office

- ORDER:** Mayor Wipf called the meeting to order at 5:27pm.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Wipf, Deputy Mayor Allison, Councillor Durksen, C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone, & Village Foreman Kelly Vetter. Observing Thomas Wilson
- AGENDA:**
- 2024-088** Deputy Mayor Allison moved to approve the agenda as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- MINUTES:**
- 2024-089** Mayor Wipf moved the minutes of the regular council meeting held on May 21, 2024, to be approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- DELEGATION:** 5:30 – Village Foreman report. Exited at 6:02pm.
- OLD BUSINESS:** None
- NEW BUSINESS:**
- 2024-090** 1) Bell Canada Agreement
Deputy Mayor Allison moved to approve the Bell Canada Telecommunication Agreement for a 5 year term, with three 5 year rental options for \$2,410/year.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2024-091** 2) Veteran Municipal Library Motions
Councillor Durksen moved to approve the resignation from the Veteran Library Board of Eldon Stickel and Linda Schetzle and approve the new board member, Lindsay Kelts for a 3 year term from February 13, 2024-2027
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2024-092** 3) Fire Chief
Motion made by Mayor Wipf via group text on June 10, for the termination of Darryl Tkach from the Village of Veteran Fire Department and as the Fire Chief.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2024-093** 4) Shale
Motion made by Mayor Wipf via group text on June 12, to purchase another load of shale for the ball diamonds for \$6150 from Alliance Battle River Steam.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2024-094** 5) Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital & Operating Agreements
Mayor Wipf moved to approve the Local Government Fiscal Framework Agreements for Capital (2024 allocation of \$218,459) and Operating (2024 allocation \$76,504) Programs from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2034, as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 2024-095** 6) Updating Old Policies
Deputy Mayor Allison moved to amend the Development Permit Fee Policy #26-18 to include the following:
Section 2.2, An appeal fee will be \$400.
Section 2.3, The appeal fee will be refunded, if the appeal is successful.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCILLORS REPORT:

Mayor Wipf – verbal report presented.

2024-096

Mayor Wipf moved to pay the Boxma Plumbing Invoice so Canada Post can submit the Alliance Battle River Steam invoice for \$787.50.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Deputy Mayor Allison – verbal report presented.

Councillor Durksen – verbal report presented.

CAO REPORT:

2024-097

Councillor Durksen moved to approve the CAO's report as presented, and accept the letter of resignation of Debbie Johnstone, effective April 30, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

FINANCIAL

2024-098

Deputy Mayor Allison moved to approve the cheque listing in the amount of \$77,041.83, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2024-099

Mayor Wipf moved to approve the monthly financial statements for the period ending May 31, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORRESPONDENCE: Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

Prairieland Board Highlights – April 23

June 24 in Youngstown – 9-3 – elected officials course in am and Regional EM Mgt.

Committee meeting in the afternoon. (Jerry and Darrel)

June 25 – Basic Emergency management course at Hanna Fire Hall, from 8:30-1:30, bring lunch for Kelly, Jerry and Darrel

June 26 –ICS 100, at Hanna Fire Hall 8:30-1:30 (Jerry, Darrell and Kelly)

July 16 – Emergency Mgt Agency meeting – Jerry & Deb in Oyen

Information Items:

MA – 2024 LGFF - \$218,459 capital allocation & \$76,504 for operating

MA – Bill 20 information

MA – CCBF agreement from Federal government not done yet, expired March 31, 2024

County of Stettler – utility monitoring agreement ended effective May 28

Consort FCSS – Lacey Abt is leaving at the end of August, but Nataha is staying on.

MA – Municipal Accountability Program Cycle 2 – scheduling for 2024-25

MP Damien Kurek – cost of living and carbon tax, sample letter provided

Enbridge Fueling Futures grant application – submitted for hall generator for \$25,000. We should know in 4 to 6 weeks.

Neutral Hills Wranglers thank you – made \$37,000 at Vernon Wells fundraiser

CAO May timesheet – 7.875 OT, May 7 & 14 off, 3.5 hrs medical appt on May 22

Foreman May timesheet – 12 hrs OT

2024-100

Mayor Wipf moved to accept the correspondence as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CLOSED MEETING:

2024-101

Mayor Wipf moved that council close the meeting to the public per Section 17, FOIP at 7:05pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Thomas Wilson exited at 7:05pm.

2024-102

Mayor Wipf moved that the regular meeting be resumed at 7:12pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT:

2024-103

Mayor Wipf moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm.

NEXT MEETING:

Regular meeting – TBA

Jerry Wipf,
Mayor

Debbie Johnstone,
Chief Administrative Officer