

VILLAGE OF MEOTA - MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
VILLAGE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 502-2ND AVENUE EAST
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023 – 7 PM

PRESENT: Mayor David Konopelski
Councillors Betty Johnson, Carole Chapman; Teresa Ducharme and Laurie Shury.

STAFF: Kim Frolek, Chief Administrative Officer
Ethan Iverson, Foreman

DELEGATION: Morningside Early Learning Center Board

*A quorum being present Mayor Konopelski called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

DELEGATION: Brienne Stevenson, Jessica Belland, Dylan Tait made presentation to Council regarding the previously approved rooms for the daycare at the Meota Community Complex. There were some concerns regarding stairs and fire safety as well as requiring extra windows in order to be approved by government official.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 2, 2023:

143.23 JOHNSON: THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of November 2, 2023 be approved as circulated. CARRIED

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 27, 2023:

144.23 CHAPMAN: THAT the minutes of the Special meeting of November 27, 2023 be approved as circulated. CARRIED

FOREMAN REPORT:

Ethan Iverson provided a verbal report to council. Clean wood pile at the transfer station to be burned soon, will fill in remains and blocks placed afterwards. No safe way to put up Village Christmas street lights this year, look into alternate ways for 2024.

MORNINGSIDE EARLY LEARNING CENTER: DISCUSSION

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2024

145.23 CHAPMAN: THAT the Regular Meeting schedule for 2024 be approved as attached. CARRIED

146.23 **MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING ELIGIBILITY RESOLUTION**

JOHNSON: THAT the Council of the Village of Meota confirms the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant:

1. Submission of the 2022 Audited Financial Statement to the Ministry of Government Relations
2. In Good Standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes
3. Adoption of a Council Procedure Bylaw
4. Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct
5. All members of Council have filed their Public Disclosure Statements, as required.

AND THAT Council authorize the Administrator to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations. CARRIED

147.23 **CHRISTMAS BONUSES**
SHURY: THAT Council approve the purchase of two (\$500) dollar Gift Cards for the Administrator and Foreman as their Christmas Bonus. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

148.23 **ADMINISTRATOR HOLIDAYS**
JOHNSON: THAT the Administrators vacation request for five (5) days off, from December 19th to December 27th be approved. CARRIED

149.23 **LOT CONSOLIDATION REQUEST: LOT 1 BLK 1 PL 102036046 & LOT 2 BLK 1 PL 102036046**
SHURY: THAT Council approve the landowners request to consolidate Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 102036046 and Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 102036046 with all the costs associated being the responsibility of the owner. CARRIED

150.23 **2024 SEWER RATES**
JOHNSON: THAT Council increase the sewer rate by \$2.00 to \$22/month effective January 1, 2024. CARRIED

REGIONAL PARK BOAT LAUNCH PROJECT SUMMARY: DISCUSSION

151.23 **MEOTA LAKELAND LIBRARY LETTER – NOVEMBER 15, 2023**
CHAPMAN: THAT Council approve the request from the Meota Librarian to waive the hall rental fee for a storyteller event on February 27, 2024 at the Meota Community Complex. CARRIED

152.23 **TERM DEPOSIT:**
JOHNSON: THAT Council invest \$500,000 of reserve funds in a one-year non-redeemable term deposit on January 1, 2024 with Innovation Credit Union at an interest rate of 5.35%. CARRIED

153.23 **CORRESPONDENCE, DISCUSSION & REPORTS:**
CHAPMAN: THAT the following correspondence, discussion and reports be dealt with as directed and filed. CARRIED

- a) Committee Reports/Council Updates
- b) Meota ADRA Meeting Minutes – November 8, 2023
- c) SaskWater JLWWUC Operational Report – September 2023
- d) Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport – Letter November 24, 2023
- e) Access Communications Work Request November 10, 2023

154.23 **STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES/ BANK REC SEPTEMBER 2023:**
JOHNSON: THAT the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures and bank reconciliation for the month of November 2023 **as attached** be accepted as presented. CARRIED

Councillor Chapman declared a conflict of interest and left the room at 8:29PM

155.23 **ACCOUNTS FOR SEPARATE APPROVAL:**
SHURY: THAT Cheque Number 2635 made payable to Carole Chapman in the amount of \$24.38 be approved for payment. CARRIED

*Councillor Chapman returned to the meeting 8:31 PM

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

156.23 SHURY: THAT the list of accounts in the amount of \$57,358.37 be approved for payments as follows:

Cheque Numbers	2635,2632-2653	\$ 30,918.04	
Other Numbers	0075-0081	\$ 18,835.76	
Payroll	0051, 253-259	\$ 7,604.57	CARRIED

157.23 **ADJOURN:**
DUCHARME: THAT we adjourn at 8:33 PM

David Konopelski, Mayor

Kim Frolek, Chief Administrative Officer