

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY APRIL 12, 2017
7:00PM STANDARD VILLAGE OFFICE**

AMENDED

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - 1.1 AGENDA ADDITIONS – approval
 - 1.2 GUESTS: Gregory Harriman – Shelley and Jenna Harriman
2. PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE:
 - A) Fortis – LED Streetlight Program
 - B) Parts for Little Tractors (dependant on budget)
 - C) *2017 Infrastructure Project update*
 - D) *Waterplant Subdivision Approval*
 - E)
 - F)
 - G)
 - H) Regional Water
 - X) Public Works Concerns
 - Y) Councilor's Concerns
3. MINUTES:
 - A) March 8, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 - B) March 13, 2017 Special Council Meeting Minutes
4. 2017 Budget
5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – approval
5. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS - approval
6. OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCE – approval
7. CORRESPONDENCE
8. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A) Development Permit – M. Rasmussen
 - B)

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9. BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING:

- A)
- B)

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Utility Charges for Non-Profit Groups
- B) 2017 Tax Bylaw (depending on budget approval)
- C)
- D)

11. REPORTS:

- A) WADEMSA – A. Sommerfeldt
- B) DDSWMA – B.Duffala
- C) Wheatland Lodge – A. Larsen
- D) CFWREDC – J. Pedersen
- D) WFCSS – J. Pedersen

12. OTHER BUSINESS

- A)
- B)
- C)
- D)

13. ADJOURN

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PRESENT Mayor Alan Larsen, Deputy Mayor Joe Pedersen, Councilors Adam Sommerfeldt, Martin Gauthier, and Brandon Duffala

Leah Jensen – C.A.O.
Yvette April – Administrative Assistant

ABSENT Malcolm McKinnon – Public Works Supervisor

GUESTS Shelley and Jenna Harriman – Gregory Harriman and Associates

CALL TO ORDER Mayor A. Larsen called the regular meeting to order at 6:56PM.

AGENDA ADDITIONS

01-03-12-17 Moved by J.Pedersen that the agenda additions be approved as presented. CARRIED

2016 FINANCIAL REVIEW – Gregory Harriman & Associates

S.Harriman explained that J.Harriman was the audit lead this year for the Village of Standard. J.Harriman reviewed the financial statements and referred to the analytical review package that was handed out at the beginning of the meeting. The Village has a borrowing capacity of \$785,950 and the net financial assets sit at \$391,446 and have \$6.6 million in equity. S.Harriman explained to Council that the consolidated statement compares the budget that was prepared at the beginning of the year to the actual expenses. In 2016 the Village was under budget.

02-03-12-17 Moved by B. Duffala that Council approve the 2016 financial statement as presented by Gregory Harriman and Associates. CARRIED
S. and J. Harriman left the meeting at 7:51PM

PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

A) Fortis – LED Streetlight Program

L.Jensen presented a copy of a presentation given by Fortis, explaining the latest LED streetlight replacement program. Fortis will replace the existing streetlights with LED lights and charge a maintenance multiplier fee, but with the cost savings of LED lighting there is no change in the billing. Council discussed whether to go ahead with the program or wait to have the lights replaced with LED lights only as the existing HPS burn out. Moved by M.Gauthier that the Village of Standard join the LED Streetlight Replacement Program, whereby the existing HPS streetlights are replaced with LED lights, and the Village pays a maintenance multiplier for this service.

Motion Defeated

B) Parts for Little Tractors (dependent on budget)

Presented as information. L.Jensen explained that if the Village does not purchase new small tractors this year, Public Works will need to spend approximately \$5-6,000 on parts for the existing tractors.

C) 2017 Infrastructure Project Update

A progress report from MPE was presented to Council showing that detailed design drawings and specifications are being prepared and tendering should take place between May 1-15 and

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construction should take place July-August. Presented as information.

D) Water Plant Subdivision Approval

Council reviewed the preliminary subdivision report and comments and recommendations from Palliser Regional Services concerning the proposed land subdivision south of the existing water treatment plant.

03-04-12-17

Moved by A.Larsen that Council approves of the 5.34 acre subdivision of the land directly south of the water treatment plant, and approves of the Palliser Regional Services staff recommendations with the exception of clause 6; Council has chosen not to dedicate any land or provide cash in lieu for Municipal Reserve.

CARRIED

E) Regional Water

L.Jensen reported that the Wheatland Regional Corporation (WRC) received approval from Municipal Affairs and they are now officially a Corporation. The new raw water line from the new reservoir site to the treatment plant is complete and has been pressure tested and passed. WRC is discussing and presenting proposals to the partner municipalities to take over water distribution and waste water.

F) Councilors Concerns

M.Gauthier reported that residents have been approaching him complaining about the condition of 11th Avenue and how muddy it is and the pot holes. Public Works will be asked to spread some gravel in areas that are particularly bad. A.Sommerfeldt reported that he has been approached with concerns that some residents felt that some people didn't have to follow the bylaws. B.Duffala gave the example of the resident who has a sea container across from the school. It was explained that in that case the container is grandfathered in and was in place before the bylaw came into effect.

MINUTES

04-04-12-17

Moved by J.Pedersen that the minutes of the March 8, 2017 regular meeting be approved.

CARRIED

05-04-12-17

Moved by B.Duffala that the minutes of the March 13, 2017 special meeting be approved.

CARRIED

2017 BUDGET

Council reviewed the latest draft of the budget and didn't like the effect on property taxes. Expenses were reviewed line by line to determine where cuts could be made. After much discussion council gave the directive to staff to make the adjustments given and to get the 2017 budget as close as possible to a zero percent increase/decrease. Council agreed to an email vote on the next draft in order to avoid having to call a separate meeting

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

06-04-12-17

Moved by J.Pedersen that the April 2017 Financial Statement be approved as presented.

CARRIED

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

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07-04-12-17 Moved by B.Duffala that the followings accounts be paid:

March 2017 Batch 2
Cheque # 8678 to Cheque # 8687 for \$19,693.02
Direct Debit \$ 2,648.01
TOTAL \$22,341.03

April 2017 Batch 1
Cheque # 8688 to Cheque # 8709 for \$84,477.00
Direct Debit \$ 6,699.71
TOTAL \$91,176.71

Total Account Payable \$113,517.74
CARRIED

OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCES

08-04-12-17 Moved by M.Gauthier that the Operating and Capital Budget
Variances to March 31, 2017 be approved as presented.
CARRIED

CORRESPONDANCE

09-04-12-17 Moved by A.Sommerfeldt that the Village of Standard contribute
\$52.50 to the FCM Legal Defense Fund.
CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

(A) **Development Permit – M. Rasmussen**
10-04-12-17 Moved by A.Larsen that Council approve the development
application to place a storage/sea container at 1109 East Road.
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

A) **Utility Charges for Non-Profit Groups**
Council discussed when regional water comes into effect that
everyone will be charged for water use, and this will include non-
profit groups such as the Ag Society, Community Hall, and
Seniors Center.
11-04-12-17 Moved by M.Gauthier that the Village charge residential rate for
water and sewer for non-profit groups within the Village, beginning
when regional water comes into effect.
CARRIED

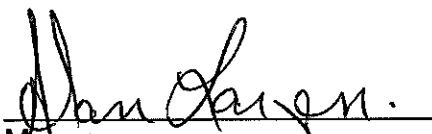
L.Jensen & Y.April left the meeting at 10:30PM

OTHER BUSINESS

A) **2017 Personnel Reviews**
12-04-12-17 Moved by J.Pedersen that Council go in camera at 10:36PM to
discuss labor issues. CARRIED
13-04-12-17 Moved by J.Pedersen that Council come out of camera at
11:11PM. CARRIED
14-04-12-17 Moved by B.Duffala that office staff receive a pay increase of 2.5%
and public works receive a pay increase of 1.5% effective January
1, 2017. CARRIED

ADJOURN

15-04-12-17 Moved by B.Duffala that the meeting adjourn at 11:23PM
CARRIED



Mayor

C.A.O.