

**Council Meeting  
April 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.  
Council Chamber, Wawanesa, MB.**

The Council of the Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa met in the Council Chamber in Wawanesa, Manitoba on Friday, April 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Members Present: Mike Fisher, Coenraad Fourie, Craig Hatch, Frank Jones, Bob McDonald and Brett McGregor (via Teams – retired at 10:20 a.m.). Head of Council Kreklewich presided.

Staff in attendance: Chief Administrative Officer Joni Swidnicki, Finance Officer Elaine McGregor and Videographer Cheryl Fraser

The meeting was open to the public.

**CALL TO ORDER** – 9:00 a.m.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Jones-McDonald

171 BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the April 21, 2023 meeting be accepted as presented with the addition of a letter from Keith Elder under Communications. CARRIED.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Hatch-Fisher

172 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 21, 2023 regular meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

Fisher-McDonald

173 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 21, 2023 special meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

**FINANCE**

**General Account**

Jones-Hatch

174 BE IT RESOLVED that the April 12, 2023 general accounts payables, being cheque #'s 6388 to 6374, in the amount of \$64,008.50 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Fourie-McDonald

175 BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 257, being staff payroll for the period March 20 to March 31, 2023 in the amount of \$12,101.82 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

176 Fourie-Jones  
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 260, being staff payroll for the period April 3 to April 14, 2023 in the amount of \$12,174.15 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

177 Fisher-McDonald  
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 259, being Council indemnities for the month of March, 2023 in the amount of \$7,115.25 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

**Utility Account**

178 McDonald-Fourie  
BE IT RESOLVED that the April 12, 2023 utility accounts payable, being cheque #'s 985 to 996 in the amount of \$9,583.80 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

**Statement of Revenues and Expenditures**

179 Hatch-Fourie  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures report to March 31, 2023 be received as presented. CARRIED.

**Bank Reconciliations**

180 Fourie-Jones  
BE IT RESOLVED that the bank reconciliations for the month of March, 2023 be approved as previously circulated. CARRIED.

**DELEGATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Age Friendly Manitoba – March Newsletter
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 17
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 20
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 24
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 27
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 29
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 31
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 31
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 1
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 5
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 11
- Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 12

Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 12  
Craig Baird – Canadian History Ehx  
Bell MTS – Manitoba Public Safety Communication Service Update  
Crocus Country Economic Development Corp. – Training Program  
Keith Elder – Chronic Wasting Disease and Deer Feces  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – March 20  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – March 27  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – April 11  
Peter Hart – Pilot Project – AI in Facilities  
Manitoba Accessibility Office – The Accessibility for Manitobans Act 5-Year Review  
Manitoba Association of Senior Communities – Manitoba 55+ Games  
Manitoba Organization for Victim Assistance – Introduction  
Minister of Municipal Relations – 2023 Operating Grant payment  
Minister of Municipal Relations – 2022 PILT Reconciliation Grant  
Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure – Infrastructure Investment Strategy  
Municipal Relations – Bulletin #2023-09 – 2022 Audited Financial Statements  
Municipal Relations – Bulletin #2023-10 – Transit Planning and Affordable Housing  
Prairie Mountain Health – April Newsletter, 5-Year Strategic Plan & Chronic Disease  
Education Program  
Sport Manitoba – 2026 Manitoba Winter Games

Fisher-Fourie

181 BE IT RESOLVED that the above noted communications be received. CARRIED.

McGregor-Fourie

182 BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality participate in the AI Pilot Program. CARRIED.

McDonald-Hatch

183 BE IT RESOLVED that the correspondence from Mr. Keith Elder be forwarded to the Souris River Recreation Committee for information. CARRIED.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**South Zone Report (Ward 3)**

Councillor Fisher added to his written report to advise that he had been driving roads and checking culverts.

Councillor Jones advised he had nothing to report

**North Zone Report (Ward 2)**

Councillor Fourie provided a verbal report that he had received calls and emails about road conditions and gravel reclamation. He also advised that he had attended many Small Municipality Integrated Committee meetings including spring technical meetings, asset management and pavement management.

Councillor Hatch added to his written report to advise he had been driving roads and checking conditions and providing information and advice to Public Works.

**Wawanesa Zone Report (Ward 1)**

Councillor McDonald added to his written report to advise that water in town had been an issue over one weekend, but once clearing was done, everything was okay.

Councillor McGregor – see written report

**Head of Council's Report** – see written report

**Chief Administrative Officer Report** – see written report

**Finance Officer Report** – see written report

**Public Works Report** – see written report

**Fire Chief's Report** – see written report

Jones-Fourie

184 BE IT RESOLVED that the verbal and written reports be received. CARRIED.

**BY-LAWS**

**By-law No. 34-2023 – To Amend Aggregate Transportation By-law No. 1266/06 with respect to updating municipal name and address and fees 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings**

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McDonald-Fourie

185 BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 34-2023, being a by-law to amend Aggregate Transportation By-law No. 1266/06 with respect to updating the municipal name and address and to update fees, be read a second time. CARRIED.

Fourie-McDonald

186 BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 34-2023 be read a third and final time. CARRIED.

A recorded vote was taken on the above motion.

FOR

Head of Council Kreklewich  
Councillor Fisher  
Councillor Fourie  
Councillor Hatch  
Councillor Jones  
Councillor McDonald  
Councillor McGregor

AGAINST

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Abuse & Molestation Policy No. PER016**

Jones-Fourie

187 BE IT RESOLVED that, in accordance with Abuse & Molestation Policy No. PER016,

the CAO and the Facility Manager for the Souris River Recreation Committee (SRRC) be named as the Designated Representatives to receive reports of abuse or molestation from municipal representatives;

all employees and municipal representatives who have interaction with children, youth and/or a member of the vulnerable population be screened by having regular criminal record checks and vulnerable persons and child abuse registry checks, whereby expenses will be the responsibility of the municipality and SRRC; and

all employees or municipal representatives be required to take the training outlined as resources in said Policy prior to signing the policy required acknowledgement.  
CARRIED.

**Dangerous Dog Declaration - Noland**

McDonald-Fourie

188 WHEREAS Council, on August 4, 2022, declared two dogs described as brown mastiffs owned by Jason Noland of Lot 2, 10277 PR 453, as “dangerous dogs”;

AND WHEREAS after numerous attempts, the dogs were apprehended for assessment;

AND WHEREAS it has been determined that the male dog that had caused injury to another animal has since passed away;

AND WHEREAS a new male and the remaining female have been assessed by the Animal Control Officer and a report filed, indicating no aggressive behaviour;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the determination of the dogs being “dangerous dogs” be rescinded;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the owners be required to adhere to the conditions outlined in the report of the Animal Control Officer, those being the installation of a lock on the fence gate and tethering the animals when they are loose in the yard, whereby the Animal Control Officer will be requested to conduct follow up visits to determine compliance. CARRIED.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Purchase of 2011 Kubota 4x4 Tractor with Attachments**

Hatch-Fourie

189 BE IT RESOLVED that the March 23, 2023 electronic approval by Council for the purchase of a 2011 Kubota 4x4 tractor with attachments as outlined in the Bill of Sale with Murray Mill dated March 27, 2023 be confirmed. CARRIED.

**Sale of Backhoe**

Hatch-Jones

190 BE IT RESOLVED that the proceeds from the sale of the backhoe be transferred to the Equipment Reserve. CARRIED.

**Smoking Policy in Municipal Equipment**

Jones-Hatch

191 BE IT RESOLVED that Administration be directed to prepare a policy to prohibit smoking/vaping in all municipal equipment. CARRIED.

**Establishment of New Council Committee**

Fourie-Hatch

192 BE IT RESOLVED that existing policies be reviewed by the Transportation Committee to ensure appropriate authorities on technical aspects. CARRIED.

**Grant Request – Assiniboine River Basin Initiative**

Fisher-Jones

193 BE IT RESOLVED that the grant request from the Assiniboine River Basin Initiative in the amount of \$250.00 be approved. CARRIED.

**Request for Support of Resolution – Municipality of Pipestone**

Fourie-Jones

194 BE IT RESOLVED that the resolution proposed by the Municipality of Pipestone with respect to Emergency Medical Responders be supported. CARRIED.

**Request for IT Information**

Fisher-Hatch

195 BE IT RESOLVED that the resident requesting IT information be advised that the Municipality moved from one provider to a different provider to provide the necessary computer security and business continuity;

and further, that the overall annual computer annual cost information will be provided to the requester;

and further, that no further communication be undertaken. CARRIED.

**IN-CAMERA SESSION**

McDonald-Fourie

196 BE IT RESOLVED that this regular meeting now adjourns to an “in-camera” meeting to discuss a personnel matter as per Subsections 152(3)(b)(ii) of The Municipal Act, and all matters discussed in-camera are confidential until discussed in an open meeting as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act. CARRIED.

The Head of Council declared an interest in one of the items discussed and left the Chamber without discussion or debate. CARRIED.

Jones-McDonald

197 BE IT RESOLVED that this “in camera” meeting does now resume back to a regular meeting. CARRIED.

**CAO Performance Review**

Hatch-Jones

198 BE IT RESOLVED that the performance review of the Chief Administrative Officer be received and a salary increase be made in accordance with the employment contract. CARRIED.

The Head of Council had declared an interest in the following topic during the In-Camera session and did not vote on the following motion.

**Potential Code of Conduct Breach**

Fisher-Fourie

199 BE IT RESOLVED that as the Council Code of Conduct By-law does not include application by members of the public, members of Council reviewed that complaint and determined that it does not meet the criteria for a Code of Conduct investigation. CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

200 Fourie-Fisher  
BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting does now adjourn (10:34 a.m.) to meet again on **Friday, May 19, 2023** at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers in Wawanesa. CARRIED.

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Dave Kreklewich, Head of Council

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Joni Swidnicki, Chief Administrative Officer