

**Rural Municipality of Laird No. 404
Council REGULAR Meeting Minutes
February 09, 2024**

The Minutes of the REGULAR Meeting of the Council of Municipality of
Laird No. 404, held in the Council Chambers of the RM Office,
3025 Central Avenue, Waldheim, SK on Friday, February 09, 2024.

PRESENT: Reeve: Sheldon Willems
Division 1 Ron Boldt
Division 2 Phil Loewen
Division 3 Lorne Grunau
Division 4 Ken Fehr
Division 5 Trent Ebach
Administrator: Bertha Buhler

ABSENT: Division 6 Luise Willems

DELEGATES: Northbound Planning - Jared Stephenson
Jason Feitsma – Feitsma Grain/Feitsma Services Ltd.

Reeve Willems called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m.

AGENDA:

023.FEB.24 EBACH: That the agenda be accepted as presented. **CARRIED.**

MINUTES

024.FEB.24 FEHR: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 11, 2024 be approved as presented. **CARRIED.**

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025.FEB.24 GRUNAU: That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on January 18, 2024 be approved as presented. **CARRIED.**

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026.FEB.24 LOEWEN: That the Minutes of the Budget Meeting of Council held on February 01, 2024 be approved as presented. **CARRIED.**

FINANCIALS

027.FEB.24 GRUNAU: That the Statement of Financials and Bank Reconciliation be approved as presented for the month of January 2024 and hereto attached to these minutes. **CARRIED.**

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

028.FEB.24 GRUNAU: That payment of accounts paid with cheque numbers 13853 to 13985 in the amount of \$138,280.70; on-line banking 2024-0017 to 2024-0033 in the amount of \$136,870.48 and Payroll in the amount of \$8,388.94 for a total of \$283,540.12 has been accepted and is approved as presented. **CARRIED.**

WORKING BUDGET 2024 FINAL APPROVAL

029.FEB.24 LOEWEN: That we approve the Working Budget 2024 with amendments now as our Final Budget 2024. **CARRIED.**

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN tabled until March 07, 2024 Regular Council meeting.

Delegate Jared Stephenson, Northbound Planning attended the meeting in person from 10:03a.m.-11:32a.m. and addressed the following items:

- a. Waldheim Specialty Development permits;
- b. Heppner Subdivision;
- c. Feitsma Development permit;
- d. Goertzen Subdivision;
- e. Saskatoon Coop(Hepburn) Development permit.

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PUBLIC HEARING OPEN

- 030.FEB.24 BOLDT:** That we open the Public Hearing at 10:03a.m. for any responses on Bylaw No. 01-2024 ZB amendments to aggregates. **CARRIED.**

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

- 031.FEB.24 BOLDT:** That we close the Public Hearing at 10:22a.m. No written responses were received and no in-person attended the public hearing. **CARRIED.**

REEVE WILLEMS DECLARED CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR THE DISCUSSION OF HEPPNER SUBDIVISION.

HEPPNER SUBDIVISION

- 032.FEB.24 FEHR:** That Council supports the proposed subdivision of an existing farmstead, known as CPB file# SUBD-002537-2024, as it complies with the Official Community Plan policies with respect to single parcel country residential development and density in 3.15, and as it complies with the use and site development regulations in Sch A 1.5 and 1.5A of the Zoning Bylaw. Council supports the larger than prescribed site based on 1.5A 3. having considered the inclusion of historically cultivated lands as minimal and could still be utilized for agricultural purposes. Council is unaware of any history of hazards posed by surface water. No servicing agreement is required. Council has no other requirements or concerns with the proposal. **CARRIED.**

REEVE WILLEMS RETURNED TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 10:25A.M.

BYLAW NO. 01-2024 SECOND READING

- 033.FEB.24 FEHR:** That Bylaw No. 01-2024, being an amendment with aggregate, to Bylaw No. 06-2008 Zoning Bylaw, be read for the Second Reading. **CARRIED.**

BYLAW NO. 01-2024 THIRD READING

- 034.FEB.24 GRUNAU:** That Bylaw No. 01-2024, being an amendment with aggregate, to Bylaw No. 06-2008 Zoning Bylaw, be read for the Third Reading and Adopted. **CARRIED.**

Delegate Jason Feitsma arrived at the meeting at 10:32a.m. – 10:55a.m. to addressed Council regarding his development permit.

FEITSMA DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

- 035.FEB.24 BOLDT:** That after reviewing Feitsma’s development permit for SE 12-41-05 W3, the maintenance shop for farm equipment is deemed agricultural use and no further permitting is required. **CARRIED.**

RECESSED FOR LUNCH AT 11:35A.M.

RECONVENED THE MEETING AT 12:25P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING

- 036.FEB.24 EBACH:** That we set the Special Development Permitting meeting on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 9:00a.m. in Council Chambers. **CARRIED.**

SMB APPLICATION

- 037.FEB.24 GRUNAU:** That we authorize Administration to proceed to make application to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board borrowing amount and approval in the amount of \$850,000.00 for the purchase of two graders. **CARRIED.**

BYLAW NO. 03-2024 FIRST READING

- 038.FEB.24 EBACH:** That Bylaw No. 03-2024, being a Borrowing Bylaw in the amount of \$850,000.00 for the purchase of two graders be read for the First Reading. **CARRIED.**

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BYLAW NO. 02-2024 FIRST READING

039.FEB.24 EBACH: That Bylaw No. 02-2024, being an Extraction Fees 2024-2025 bylaw, be read for the First Reading. **CARRIED.**

BYLAW NO. 02-2024 SECOND READING

040.FEB.24 FEHR: That Bylaw No. 02-2024, being an Extraction Fees 2024-2025 bylaw, be read for the Second Reading. **CARRIED.**

BYLAW NO. 02-2024 THIRD READING

041.FEB.24 GRUNAU: That Bylaw No. 02-2024, being an Extraction Fees 2024-2025 bylaw, be read for the Third Reading. **CARRIED.**

BYLAW NO. 02-2024 ADOPTED

042.FEB.24 BOLDT: That Bylaw No. 02-2024, being an Extraction Fees 2024-2025 bylaw, be read for the Third Reading and Adopted. **CARRIED.**

ROAD HAUL AGREEMENTS 2024

043.FEB.24 LOEWEN: That we approved the Road Haul Agreement 2024 as presented with the amendment to include “multiple dust control applications, as deemed necessary by the Foreman and Council”. **CARRIED.**

STARS DONATION 2024

044.FEB.24 S. WILLEMS: That we donate to STARS in the amount of \$5,000.00 for 2024. **CARRIED.**

HBRA MEMBERSHIP 2024

045.FEB.24 FEHR: That we renew the Hudson’s Bay Membership for 2024 in the amount of \$300.00 **CARRIED.**

SASK LOTTERIES GRANT 2025

046.FEB.24 EBACH: That we allocate the Sask. Lotteries for 2025 at \$7.95 per capita as follows:

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| 1. River Ridge Nordic Ski Club | \$1,431.00 | Population 180 |
| 2. Village of Laird | \$2,305.60 | Population 290 |
| 3. Town of Hepburn | \$3,513.90 | Population 442 |
| 4. Town of Waldheim | <u>\$3,116.50</u> | <u>Population 392</u> |

for a total of: \$10,367.00 1,304.

CARRIED.

MINISTRY OF HIGHWAYS PARTNERING AGREEMENT

047.FEB.24 BOLDT: That we agree with the Partnering Agreement between Ministry of Highways and the RM for 2024 as presented and authorize Administration to proceed with signing of documents. **CARRIED.**

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CORRESPONDENCE

048.FEB.24 FEHR: Correspondence SARM (FYI)

- a. All other correspondence emailed to Council at time received in-office.

Correspondence General (FYI)

- a. Time Sheets January 2024;
- b. Fire Department Financials (Waldheim, Laird);
- c. NCTPC Nov 16,2023 minutes;
- d. RCMP Reporting 1ST quarter;
- e. SARM Convention agenda DRAFT;
- f. Sasktel cable notification;
- g. Hepburn Fire Dept Invite.

Dev/Bldg Permits Issued from last meeting date:

- a. none.

NEW TRAINING OPPORTUNTIES:

- a. NCTPC Workshop – Birch Hills – February 29, 2024;
- b. SARM Convention – Regina – March 13-16, 2024;
- c. Municipal Elections Workshop – April 4, 2024

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

049.FEB.24 FEHR: That the Council meeting be adjourned at 1:47p.m.

(SEAL)

Reeve/Deputy Reeve

Administrator

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