

**Rural Municipality of Laird No. 404
Council REGULAR Meeting Minutes
June 13, 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 Thursday, June 13, 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
Division 6	Luise Willems
Administrator:	Bertha Buhler

DELEGATES: Northbound Planning – Jared Stephenson
Kirk & Amanda Bolan, Silver Willows

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

AGENDA:

108.JUNE.24 FEHR: That the agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

MINUTES

109.JUNE.24 GRUNAU: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 5, 2024 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

FINANCIALS

110.JUNE.24 L. WILLEMS: That the Statement of Financials and Bank Reconciliation be approved as presented for the month of May, 2024 and hereto attached to these minutes.

CARRIED.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

111.JUNE.24 GRUNAU: That payment of accounts paid with cheque numbers 14090 to 14122 in the amount of \$976,728.47; on-line banking 2024-0096 to 2024-00118 in the amount of \$1,065,014.95 and Payroll in the amount of \$46,742.84 for a total of \$1,065,014.95 has been accepted and is approved as presented.

CARRIED.

LIQUOR PERMIT SE 03-43-06 W3 GYMKHANA/CABARET

112.JUNE.24 L. WILLEMS: That we approve a liquor permit for Scott Stevens of MGX Grain Exchange to host a gymkhana/cabaret event to take place on SE 03-43-06 W3 from 12:00pm-12:00am on June 29-30, 2024.

CARRIED.

LIQUOR PERMIT GUENTHER FARMS TWP 404 NEAR HWY 12 WEDDING EVENT

113.JUNE.24 L. WILLEMS: That we approve a liquor permit for Levi Schultz to host a wedding event on July 6, 2024 from 1:00 pm through 5:00 pm with an approximate attendance of 200 people.

CARRIED.

DUST CONTROL RANGE ROAD 3060

114.JUNE.24 EBACH: That we approve the request from the Town of Hepburn to cost share on a 50/50 split basis for the application of dust control to 3,350 feet of Range Road 3060 from 2nd Avenue to Main Street.

CARRIED.

MILL RATE 2024

115.JUNE.24 FEHR: That the mill rate be set at 7.8 for 2024.

CARRIED.

MILL RATE FACTORS

116.JUNE.24 GRUNAU: That the following Mill Rate Factors remain the same for 2024:

Agriculture	0.80
Residential	1.15

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Commercial

1.20

CARRIED.

BASE TAX/MINIMUM TAX 2024

117.JUNE.24 LOEWEN: That the following Base Tax and Minimum Tax remain the same for 2024:

Base Tax:	Agriculture	\$100.00 (Land)
	Residential	\$ 75.00 (Land)
	Commercial:	\$100.00 (Land)

Min. Tax	Residential:	\$800.00 (Residential)
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CARRIED.

Administrator Berth Buhler submitted her resignation letter to Council. It was received and filed.

Delegate Elizabeth Torrens, CPA, attended the meeting at 9:49 a.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

118.JUNE.24 EBACH: That we go in-camera 9:50 a.m. for strategic planning.

CARRIED.

Present were Council, Administrator Berth Buhler and Assistant Administrator Morgan Hamm and Elizabeth Torrens, CPA.

Administrator Bertha Buhler and Assistant Administrator Morgan Hamm left the in-camera session at 10:10 a.m.

Delegate Elizabeth Torrens left the in-camera session at 11:56 a.m.

OUT-OF-CAMERA SESSION

119.JUN.24 BOLDT: That we come out of camera at 11:58 a.m.

CARRIED.

**RECESSED FOR LUNCH AT 11:59 P.M.
RECONVENED AT 12:35P.M.**

Delegate Foreman Penner’s verbal report was received from 12:35 p.m.-12:59 p.m.

Councillor Fehr returned to Council Chambers at 12:38 p.m.

Jared Stephenson, Northbound Planning arrived at 1:00 p.m. – 1:48 p.m.to review and discuss the Silver Willows – Phase 3 Servicing Agreement

SILVER WILLOWS PHASE 3 NW 16-40-05 W3

120.JUNE.24 EBACH: That we approve Silver Willows Phase 3 proposed residential subdivision of Lots 9 – 18, Blk 3 on NW 16-40-05 W3 subject to the signing of a service agreement that satisfactorily addresses outstanding items.

CARRIED.

Delegate Jared Stephenson left the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

121.JUNE.24 GRUNAU: That we go in-camera 1:58 p.m. for strategic planning.

CARRIED.

Present were Council, Administrator Bertha Buhler and Assistant Administrator and Foreman George Penner.

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OUT-OF-CAMERA SESSION

122.JUNE.24 LOEWEN: That we come out of camera at 2:22 p.m.

CARRIED.

Delegate George Penner left the meeting at 2:22 p.m.

SIGNING AUTHORITY

123.JUNE.24 S. WILLEMS: That we remove Administrator Bertha Buhler as a signing authority for the R.M. of Laird No. 404 and add Assistant Administrator Morgan Hamm as a signing authority.

CARRIED.

ACTING ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT

124.JUNE.24 GRUNAU: That we appoint Morgan Hamm as Acting Administrator.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

125.JUNE.24 FEHR: Correspondence SARM (FYI)

a. None

Correspondence General (FYI)

- a. Ag Health Network letter;
- b. Gmail – Construction Site Safety

Dev/Bldg Permits Issued from last meeting date:

a. None.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

126.JUNE.24 FEHR: That the Council meeting be adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

(SEAL)

Reeve/Deputy Reeve

Administrator

Initial: _____
Reeve

Initial: _____
Administrator