Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting May 17, 2021 – 7:00 pm Village of Duchess Council Chambers

Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley – via ZOOM Councillor Tina Preston Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler Councillor Shaun James

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO, Kent Torkelson PW Foreman & Sharon Zacharias Accountant

Mayor Tony Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

## **Motions**

060-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of the Village of Duchess held on April 19, 2021, as presented. Carried Unanimously

061-21 <u>Councillor James</u> motioned to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing held on April 19, 2021, as presented.

Carried Unanimously

062-21 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to adopt the agenda. Carried Unanimously

063-21 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to support a three way partnership with The Duchess Ag Society and the County of Newell for 2021 Capital projects as defined and recommended by the Recreation Parks Cultural Board. The total Village of Duchess commitment for 2021 projects will be a maximum of \$60,000 with the understanding that the other 2 partners contribute the same amounts.

Sharon Zacharias presented the 2021 Budget Package for Council.

0064-21 <u>Councillor Reid Mickler</u> motioned to accept the 2021 Budget package as presented.

Carried Unanimously

065-21 Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley motioned to accept first reading of Bylaw 497-21 – the 2021 Tax Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

066-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept second reading of Bylaw 497-21 – the 2021 Tax Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

067-21<u>Councillor Reid Mickler</u> motioned to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 497-21 – the 2021 Tax Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

068-21 Councillor James motioned to accept third and final reading of Bylaw 497-21 – the 2021 Tax Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

Sharon Zacharias presented a current financial update. Sharon left the meeting at 7:36pm

New Business

069-21 <u>Councillor James</u> motioned to accept first reading of Bylaw 496-21 – Utility Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

070-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept second reading of Bylaw 496-21 – Utility Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

071-21 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 496-21 – Utility Rate Bylaw.

072-21 Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley motioned to accept third and final reading of Bylaw 496-21 – Utility Rate Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

073-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept first reading of Bylaw 495-21 the Council Procedural Bylaw.

**Carried Unanimously** 

074-21 <u>Councillor Reid Mickler</u> motioned to accept second reading of Bylaw 495-21 the Council Procedural Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

075-21 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 495-21 the Council Procedural Bylaw.

**Carried Unanimously** 

076-21 <u>Councillor James</u> motioned to accept third and final reading of Bylaw 495-21 the Council Procedural Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

077-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to appoint Yvonne Cosh – CAO, to take responsibility of the further actions required to finalize the tax recovery of property Lot 44 Block 9 Plan 7510177. Lawyer Shantz will take the lead on any documents required to finish this process.

**Carried Unanimously** 

078-21 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to go into a closed session of council as per FOIP Div 2-21(a)(ii). At 7:59pm.

Carried Unanimously

079-21 <u>Councillor Reid Mickler</u> motioned to come out of a closed session of council at 8:06 pm.

Carried Unanimously

080-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to instruct administration to send the full gl detail listing to the County of Newell for the Duchess Recreation Centre as per the Recreation agreement with the County of Newell.

081-21 Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley motioned to accept the consent agenda

items 9 - 16

- 9. Consent Agenda items 9 16 Committee reports - a copy of submitted meeting minutes will be retained at the office. ✓ - reports attached are identified by
  - 1. Mayor Steidel
  - a. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management
  - b. Fire
  - c. Mayors and Reeves
  - d. SAEWA
  - e. Recreation Parks Cultural
  - 2. Deputy Mayor Steinley  $\bigstar \checkmark$
  - a. Newell Foundation & Housing
  - b. Ag Society 🔶
  - c. ORRSC ✓
  - d. NRTA 🔶
  - 3. Councillor Shaun James
  - a. Duchess Library 🗸
  - b. Canadian Badlands 🗸
  - c. Fire
  - 4. Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler
  - a. Shortgrass Library 🔶
  - b. Newell Regional Service Corporation
  - c. Joint Services 🔶
  - d. Palliser Economic Partnership 🔶
  - e. AUMA Small Communities
  - 5. Councillor Tina Preston
  - a. FCSS / EXPO 🔶
  - b. 911
  - c. Recreation Parks Cultural  $\not\simeq \checkmark$
  - d. Community Response Committee

- 10. CAO report 🔶
- 11. Public Works verbal
- 12. Accountant 🔶
- 13. Recreation Centre  $\bigstar$
- 14. CPO 🔶
- 15. Cheques 18978 19040 totaling \$89,734.11
- 16. Information items
  - a. RCMP support letters received
  - b. Covid letter to Minister Shandro Town of Tofield
  - c. Staff Sergeant Yetman information
  - d. Final financial statement signed
  - e. FIR

082-21 <u>Councillor Reid Mickler</u> motioned to set up a meeting for Strategic Planning on June 22, 2021 @ 2pm

Carried Unanimously

083-21 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to move the July Council meeting to July 26, 2021 at 7pm and the August meeting to August 23, 2021 at 7pm.

**Carried Unanimously** 

Next Council meeting

May 17, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

Adjourn 8:45 pm

Mayor Tony Steidel

CAO Yvonne Cosh