

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Mannville Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Mannville Village Office on Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

Present	Rex Smith	Mayor
	Jocelyne Lanovaz	Deputy Mayor
	Shantell Bielesch	Councillor
	Jim Jackson	Councillor
	Dan Lyster	Councillor
	Jennifer Hodel	Chief Administrative Officer
	Brooke Magosse	Recording Secretary

Call to Order Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Agenda

2024.02.20.01 **MOTION** by Councillor Lyster that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Delegation(s)

Kathy Dmytriw of the Crossroads Economic Development Alliance, entered the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Kathy Dmytriw Ms. Dmytriw provided Village of Mannville an update on the Crossroads Economic Development Alliance.

Departure Kathy Dmytriw departed at 6:43 P.M.

Minutes:

Council reviewed the January 16, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Minutes and the February 13, 2024 Special Council Meeting Minutes as amended.

2024.02.20.02 **MOTION** by Councillor Jackson that Council approve the minutes of the January 16, 2024 Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED.

2024.02.20.03 **MOTION** by Deputy Mayor Lanovaz that Council approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024, Special Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED.

Financial Statement: Council reviewed the Monthly Bank Reconciliation as presented.

2024.02.20.04 **MOTION** by Councillor Lyster that Council approve the Bank Reconciliation for the month ending December 31, 2023.

CARRIED.

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CEO CAO

Accounts:

Council reviewed the Accounts Payable listing as presented.

2024.02.20.05

MOTION by Councillor Bielesch that Council approve Accounts Payable cheques # 20231021 - 20231067 totaling \$115,946.67 for the month ending December 31, 2023, for information.

CARRIED.

MasterCard:

Council reviewed the Credit Union MasterCard Statement as presented.

2024.02.20.06

MOTION by Councillor Lyster that Council approve the Credit Union MasterCard Statement dated December 31, 2023, totaling \$2,413.69 for information.

CARRIED.

Revenue/Expense Report:

Council reviewed the Revenue and Expense Report as presented.

2024.02.20.07

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Lanovaz that Council approve the Revenue and Expense Report for the period ending January 31, 2024.

CARRIED.

Bylaws/Policies

Council reviewed the proposed Master Rates Bylaw 2024-870, Maternity/Parental Leave Policy 1900-14 and the Sick & Emergency Leave Policy 1900-17.

2024.02.20.08

MOTION by Councillor Lyster that Council provide first reading to Master Rates Bylaw 2024-870.

CARRIED.

2024.02.20.09

MOTION by Councillor Jackson that Council provide second reading to Master Rates Bylaw 2024-870.

CARRIED.

2024.02.20.10

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Lanovaz to give Unanimous Consent for third reading of Master Rates Bylaw 2024-870.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

2024.02.20.11

MOTION by Councillor Bielesch that Council provide third and final reading to Master Rates Bylaw 2024-870.

CARRIED.

2024.02.20.12

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Lanovaz that Council approve the revised Maternity/Parental Leave Policy 1900-14 as presented.

CARRIED.

2024.02.20.13

MOTION by Councillor Jackson that Council approve the revised Sick & Emergency Leave Policy 1900-17 as presented.

CARRIED.

Business

Tax Repayment Agreement

Council discussed the Property Tax Repayment agreements.

2024.02.20.14

MOTION by Councillor Bielesch that Council approve and authorize Jennifer Hodel, CAO to enter into a Property Tax Repayment Agreement on behalf of the Village of Mannville with the owner of the following property:

- Plan 493HW, Block 10, Lot 14

CARRIED.

Water Shortage Response Plan 2024

Council reviewed a proposed Water Shortage Response Plan for the Village of Mannville.

2024.02.20.15

MOTION by Councillor Lyster that Council approve the Village of Mannville’s Water Shortage Response Plan as presented.

CARRIED.

Declining Fire Department Services Across Alberta

Council reviewed a drafted resolution addressing the declining fire department services that are affecting small communities across Alberta.

2024.02.20.16

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Lanovaz that the Village of Mannville Council sponsor the following resolution, to be considered at the 2024 AB Munis Fall Convention, subject to a second from another AB Munis member municipality to fulfil a district level endorsement, titled: “Declining Fire Department Services Across Alberta”.

WHEREAS the state of declining Fire Department Services affecting small communities across Alberta is detrimental to all Albertans living or visiting outside large urban centers; and

WHEREAS provincial Fire Services Training Program funding increases are necessary for small community firefighter training; and

WHEREAS the Canada Revenue Agency’s (CRA) volunteer firefighter tax credit should be increased from \$3,000 to \$10,000 and the CRA’s definition of volunteer firefighter should be modernized, and consideration be given for a business tax credit for businesses that employ volunteer firefighters; and

WHEREAS the need for the fire underwriter’s survey insurance to review their mandated equipment replacement parameters to accommodate small community firefighting apparatus and equipment is necessary to extend the “Front Line” status from 15 years to 20 years or beyond; and

WHEREAS the federal government’s former Joint Emergency Preparedness Program (JEPP) for fire/emergency training and equipment should be modernized and reinstated.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to collaborate with the Federal Government and Fire Underwriters Survey for the purpose of assisting municipalities to retain fire services by

recruiting firefighters and addressing the declining Fire Department Services affecting small communities across Alberta.

CARRIED.

Staff/Committee

Reports:

PW Report Public Works Foreman, Mark McLaughlin provided a Public Works report.

2024.02.20.17 **MOTION** by Councillor Bielesch that Council accept the Public Works report as information.

CARRIED.

Fire Services Report County Fire Chief, Mike Fundytus provided a Protective Services report.

2024.02.20.18 **MOTION** by Councillor Jackson that Council accept the Protective Services report as information.

CARRIED.

GC Report Council reviewed the Golf Course report as presented.

2024.02.20.19 **MOTION** by Councillor Lyster that Council accept the Golf Course report as information.

CARRIED.

Councillor Reports

Councillor Bielesch Councillor Bielesch provided a Committee report on the following:

- Communities in Bloom – No Meeting
- January 18, 2024 - AB Munis LGFF Update
- February 7, 2024 - County of Minburn No. 27 / Village of Mannville Meeting
- February 8, 2024 – Role’s & Responsibility Session
- February 13, 2024 – Special Council Meeting (2023 Municipal Audit)
- February 13, 2024 – Mannville Library Committee
- February 15, 2024 – Emerging Trends (Via Zoom)

Councillor Jackson Councillor Jackson provided a Committee report on the following:

- January 18, 2024 – MD of Minburn Foundation
- January 19, 2024 – Mannville Seniors Meeting
- February 7, 2024 - County of Minburn No. 27 / Village of Mannville Meeting
- February 8, 2024 – Role’s & Responsibility Session

- February 12, 2024 – Health Care Providers (Attract/Retention)
- February 13, 2024 – Special Council Meeting (2023 Municipal Audit)
- February 16, 2024 – MD of Minburn Foundation

Councillor Lanovaz

Councillor Lanovaz provided a Committee report on the following:

- January 17, 2024 – North East Alberta HUB
- January 18, 2024 – AB Munis LGFF Update
- January 30, 2024 – Government of Alberta Townhall Drought
- February 6, 2024 – North East Alberta HUB
- February 7, 2024 - February 7, 2024 - County of Minburn No. 27 / Village of Mannville Meeting
- February 7 & 14, 2024 – EOEP Training
- February 8, 2024 – Role’s & Responsibility Session
- February 12, 2024 – MMI-FCSS
- February 13, 2024 – Special Council Meeting (2023 Municipal Audit)
- February 14, 2024 – AB Munis Audit Finance

Councillor Lyster

Councillor Lyster provided a Committee report for the following:

- January 17, 2024 – AG Society AGM
- February 7, 2024 - County of Minburn No. 27 / Village of Mannville Meeting
- February 8, 2024 – Role’s & Responsibility Session
- February 13, 2024 – Special Council Meeting (2023 Municipal Audit)

Mayor Smith

Mayor Smith provided a Committee report for the following:

- January 18, 2024 – AB Munis LGFF Update
- January 18, 2024 – VRAA Meeting
- February 7, 2024 – North East Mayors & Reeves
- February 7, 2024 - County of Minburn No. 27 / Village of Mannville Meeting
- February 8, 2024 - Role’s & Responsibility Session
- February 13, 2024 - Special Council Meeting (2023 Municipal Audit)
- February 15, 2024 – Merging Trends

2024.02.20.20

MOTION by Councillor Lyster to accept the Council Committee Reports as information.

CARRIED.

CAO Report

CAO Hodel provided an Administration Report as presented.

2024.02.20.21

MOTION by Councillor Bielesch to accept the Chief Administrative Officer Report for February 2024 as information.

CARRIED.

RS JH
CEO CAO

Correspondence: Council reviewed the Correspondence List for the period ending February 29, 2024.

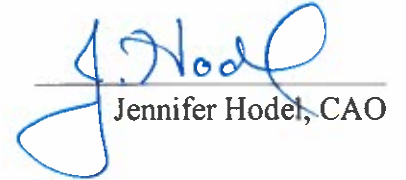
2024.02.20.22 **MOTION** by Deputy Mayor Lanovaz that Council accept the Correspondence List as information.

CARRIED.

Adjournment There being no further business to be brought before Council, Mayor Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Rex Smith, Mayor



Jennifer Hodel, CAO