

**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting
of the Town of Wadena**
North Club Room, Wadena Community Legion Hall
254 Main St N, Wadena SK
January 4, 2021

- Present** Mayor Sara Sobchyshyn
Deputy Mayor Travis Fogg
Councillor Marcus Elphinstone
Councillor Samantha Fehr
Councillor Ashley Kolach
Councillor Alison Squires
Councillor Jordan Theisen
- Absent**
- Also Present** Chief Administrative Officer, Jennifer Taylor
Manager of Finance, Lovely Magnaye
Administrative Assistant, Michele Simpson
- Order** A quorum being present, Mayor Sobchyshyn called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.
- Delegations** *Mr. B. Sowa and Mr. J. Sowa appeared in person to discuss the Town providing sewage services and a tax concession for Wheatbelt Sales.*
- Mr. B. Sowa and Mr. J. Sowa left the meeting at 6:15pm.*
- The Committee directed Administration to provide a cost estimate for bringing in sewer service, and to confirm if there is an existing easement between Perry Drive and the Wheatbelt property or any other possible routes.
 - The Committee will review the Town's Tax Concession Policy.
- 2021 SUMA Resolutions**
- The Committee reviewed the SUMA Resolution Package and directed voting delegates, Mayor Sobchyshyn and Councillor Squires, as follows:
 - 2021-01 Staggered Municipal Elections - *Not in favour*
 - 2021-02 Supplementary Assessments - *In favour*
 - 2021-03 Monitoring Water Quality in Lakes & Rivers - *Not in favour*
 - 2021-04 Development of a Wetland Policy for Saskatchewan - *Not in favour*
- Municipal Grant Policy Draft**
- The Committee clarified that although there would be a deadline for applications for the municipal grants for budgeting purposes, requests for donations can still be made to Council for consideration throughout the year.
 - The Committee directed changes to the draft Municipal Grant Policy to amend 5.1 to read as follows and remove the last sentence:
 - 5.1 Council with recommendation from the Chief Administrative Officer shall be the deciding authority for applications to the Municipal Grants.
 - As amended, the Committee recommends approval.
- Recommendation:*
THAT FS-005 Municipal Grant Policy be adopted as presented.
- Round Table Discussion**
- CAO Taylor advised that Mr. B. Filipchuk has indicated that he does not wish to be reappointed to the Cemetery Committee in 2021 and asked for direction on recruiting a new member-at-large for the Cemetery Committee. The Committee suggested approaching C. Eliason before advertising publicly.
 - Councillor Elphinstone discussed recruitment of a new EMO Coordinator to replace outgoing coordinator, P. Casement, and requested information on what other municipalities pay their EMO Coordinators.

- CAO Taylor provided an overview of the Town's benefits and responsibilities in being a member of the Saskatchewan Economic Development Alliance (SEDA) and asked for direction on which council member would be the Town's voting delegate and non-voting delegates. Councillor Squires will be the appointed voting delegate added to the annual appointments list, and Mayor Sobchyshyn requested to be added as a non-voting delegate.

In-Camera

THAT the current meeting of Committee of the Whole be suspended at 7:18 pm to proceed in camera to discuss confidential matters in accordance with *The Municipalities Act*.

Parties present included Mayor Sobchyshyn, Deputy Mayor Fogg, Councillor Kolach, Councillor Fehr, Councillor Theisen, Councillor Elphinstone, Councillor Squires, CAO Taylor, MOF Magnaye, and Admin Assistant Simpson.

MOF Magnaye and Admin Assistant Simpson left the meeting at 7:47 pm.

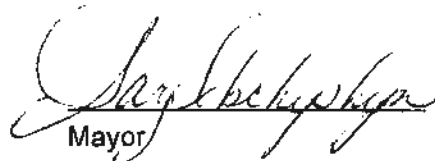
Councillor Fehr left the meeting at 7:54 pm and returned at 7:57 pm.

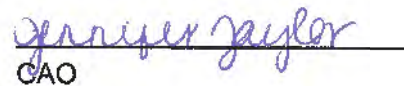
Resume Session

THAT the in-camera session concludes at 8:13 pm and the meeting of Committee of the Whole resume.

Adjourn

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:13 pm.


Mayor


CAO

Town of Wadena Committee of the Whole

Agenda

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1. Call To Order

2. Delegations/Public Hearing

2.i. *Delegation - B. And J. Sowa, Wheatbelt Sales*

Documents:

2020.12.18 DELEGATION - B. AND J. SOWA, WHEATBELT SALES.PDF

3. Administration Reports

3.i. *2021 SUMA Resolutions*

Documents:

2020.12.29 SUMA RESOLUTIONS.PDF

3.ii. *Municipal Grant Policy Draft*

Documents:

2020.12.30 MUNICIPAL GRANT POLICY.PDF

4. Council Members Round Table Discussion

5. In Camera Items

6. Adjourn