

January 11, 2024

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BARRIER VALLEY NO. 397
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN ARCHERWILL ON
THURSDAY JANUARY 11, 2024 COMMENCING AT 9:00 AM**

PRESENT: REEVE Wayne Black, **COUNCILLORS:** Lyle Bakken- Division 1, Marlene Carlson – Division 2, Kent Knudson – Division 3, Richard Bussell – Division 4, Doreen Seilstad – Division 5, and Don Reed – Division 7; **ACTING ADMINISTRATOR:** Fern Lucas.

ABSENT: Councillor: Dwayne Sharpen – Division 6

01/24

FIDELITY BOND

REED: That record be made of the Acting Administrator duly presenting to the Council the fidelity bond under the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities fidelity bond self-insurance plan.

CARRIED.

02/24

MINUTES

KNUDSON: That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held in the municipal office in Archerwill on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

03/24

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

SEILSTAD: That the Statement of Financial Activity for the month of December, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

04/24

ACCOUNTS:

KNUDSON: That the accounts, as listed and attached to, and forming part of these minutes, in amount of \$54,690.07, covered by cheque numbers 12151 - 12166 inclusive, and online release numbers 2023-0061 – 2023-0066, and auto withdrawals 2023-0045 – 2023-0046 inclusive, Payroll \$5,226.86, be approved for payment.

CARRIED.



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05/24

LAKESIDE CEMETERY RATIFICATION

SEILSTAD: that the municipality ratifies the appointment of the following committee members to the Lakeside Cemetery: Marlene Carlson, Tom Kapiniak, Sheldon Kohlen, Donna Braaten, Cindy Sunderland, Kristie McDonald..

CARRIED.

06/24

MUNISOFT COMMUNITY PROJECT INITIATIVE

REED: That the municipality applies for the Munisoft Community Project Initiative Grant in the amount of two thousand dollars for the Barrier Playground Equipment.

CARRIED.

07/24

WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

REED: that the municipality agree to allow Get R Done contractor to haul permitted transported partnership weights until the end of the 2024 winter weight period.

CARRIED.

08/24

WEIGHT RESTRICTONS

BAKKEN: that the municipality allow Weyerhaeuser to haul a permitted transported partnership weight of up to 90,200 kg on their purpose-built trailer unit as per their request.

CARRIED.

09/24

MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL

BUSSELL: that we advertise for the position of permanent part time maintenance personnel; advertisement to run until February 29, 2024.

CARRIED.

10/24

2024 APPOINTMENT OF PEST CONTROL OFFICER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLUBROOT SURVEY

REED: As part of the 2024 clubroot survey being conducted in regions of Saskatchewan by the Ministry of Agriculture, please be advised that the RM of Barrier Valley #397 appoints the following Plant Health Officers as Pest Control Officers for 2023: Tayo Adegeye, Joanne Kwasnicki, Betty Johnson, Katey Makohoniuk , Chelsea Neuberger and Colleen Fennig.

CARRIED.

11/24

HOLIDAYS

KNUDSON: that Richard Fedirko be granted holidays January 30 – February 3, 2024.

CARRIED.

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12/24

SIGNING AUTHORITY

REED: That the Administrator or the Acting Administrator and the Reeve or Deputy Reeve be the signing authorities for the municipality for 2024.

CARRIED.

13/24

CUSTOM WORK RATES

KNUDSON: That the custom work rates for 2024 be set as follows:

One Hundred and Thirty-five Dollars (\$135.00) per hour for ratepayers and One Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00) per hour for non-ratepayers and Two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for snow trapping for non-ratepayers and a minimum charge of thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) for any custom work that is fifteen minutes or less. That the rate for the tractor and mower be One hundred and twenty-five Dollars (\$125.00) per hour. That the rate for laser transit is twenty-five an hour (\$25.00/hr) plus mileage of employee operating it. That any accounts remaining outstanding after December 31, 2024 will be added to the ratepayer's taxes.

CARRIED.

14/24

COUNCIL RENUMERATION

BUSSELL: That the remuneration for the councillors and reeve be set at One Hundred and Seventy-Five Dollars (\$175.00) per full day, one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per half day for meetings, supervisions or other entrusted or delegated municipal business as set out in the Municipalities Act, as well as reimbursement for meals at cost.

CARRIED.

15/24

MILEAGE RATE

BUSSELL: That the meeting mileage for the Reeve and councilors be set at \$.55 per kilometer necessarily travelled for meetings, supervision or other entrusted or delegated municipal business as set out in Section 82 of the Municipalities Act.

CARRIED.

16/24

CROWN LAND ARREARS

SEILSTAD: That we advise Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food of any crown lease lands within this municipality that are one year in arrears of taxes, and request cancellation of the lease and payment of all outstanding arrears.

CARRIED.

17/24

WORKER'S COMPENSATION BOARD

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REED: That we obtain the minimum coverage required under the Saskatchewan Worker's Compensation Board for all employees and elected officials for 2024.

CARRIED.

18/24

BOARD OF REVISION

BUSSELL: That Nor-Sask Board Services be appointed as our Board of Revision for 2024 with the following being appointed to our Board of Revision: Timothy P Furlong, Glen Neuert, Kirby Fesser, Sabrina Saccucci and Michael Ligtermoet as Secretary.

CARRIED.

19/24

ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL HAIL

KNUDSON: That the Administrator be authorized to sell Additional Municipal Hail Insurance from the municipal office in 2024.

CARRIED.

20/24

TAX COLLECTOR/ASSESSOR

BUSSELL: That the Administrator be appointed as the tax collector and assessor for this municipality for 2024.

CARRIED.

21/24

BORROWING POWER

REED: That the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to borrow a sum up to an amount not exceeding the 2023 levy at an interest rate of not more that prime plus 1% per annum from the Cornerstone Credit Union for the purpose of meeting the current year's expenditures of the municipality.

CARRIED.

22/24

BANKING FACILITY

BAKKEN: That this municipality does their banking for 2024 with the Cornerstone Credit Union Limited.

CARRIED.

23/24

MUNICIPAL SOLICITORS

KNUDSON: That we appoint the law firm Klimm & McKee to represent this municipality, and that they be paid a sum of four hundred and fifty dollars plus applicable taxes to retain their services for the year 2024.

CARRIED.

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24/24

FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT

CARLSON: That we sign the Fire Protection services agreement, as attached to and forming part of these minutes, with the Village of Archerwill; effective until December 31, 2024.

CARRIED.

25/24

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE AGRICULTURAL LEASE LAND

BLACK: That this municipality hereby agrees to the sale of agriculture lease land SW 15-41-13-2 Ext 19.

CARRIED.

26/24

DELEGATES TO SARM CONVENTION

CARLSON: That Reeve Wayne Black and Councillor Marlene Carlson be the voting delegates to the SARM convention to be held in Regina on March 13-15, 2024; and that the Administrator and councillor Kent Knudson be visiting delegates.

CARRIED.

27/24

SMHI ANNUAL MEETING DELEGATE

CARLSON: That Reeve Wayne Black be the voting delegate to the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Municipal hail Insurance to be held in Regina on March 13, 2024.

28/24

CORRESPONDANCE:

KNUDSON: That the correspondence, as listed and attached to and forming part of these minutes, having been copied and distributed, now be filed.

CARRIED.

29/24

ADJOURN

CARLSON: That this meeting adjourns at 3:00 P.M. Due to the absence of Administrator, no meeting date is scheduled for February, 2024.

CARRIED.

Presented to council this 11 day of March, 2024.


REEVE


ADMINISTRATOR

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CORRESPONDENCE AS COPIED AND DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL JANUARY 11, 2024.

- SARM
- RM of Happyland resolution
- Mike Morris re legal matters
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