

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHITE SANDS COUNCIL  
held on January 18, 2023  
Multi-Plex Hall, 8 Front Street, White Sands and  
electronically through Zoom.**

**Present:**

Mayor Lorne Thurston  
Deputy Mayor Ed Waugh –  
Absent due to poor connection at  
Mexico  
Councilor Bob Huff (Zoom)  
CAO, Dean Pickering  
Administration Assistance, Erin Weinzierl (late)  
Gerry Linkert  
Carl Cornelssen  
Bob Greene  
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**1. Call to Order:**

Mayor Thurston calls the Council Meeting to order at 9:50 AM

**2. Agenda Additions/Approval**

**2.1. 9.8 Quote – Community Hall Lighting – Van Electric**

**Motion 22:12:21:01** Moved by Mayor Thurston to approve the agendas as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

**3. Public Hearing: None**

**4. Minutes:**

**4.1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes, December 21, 2023**

**Motion 22:12:21:02** Moved by Councillor Waugh71 to approve the agendas as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**5. Delegation/Presentation:**

- 5.1. Mark Dennis – Stettler Regional Fire Chief**
- Boat lift for emergency jet ski on Buffalo Lake
  - Polar Bear Dip – Family Day – February 20, 2023

Erin Weinzierl joins meeting at 10:27 am

Mark Dennis withdraws at 10:33 am

**6. Bylaws and Policies:**

**7. Financial Reports:**

- 7.1. Financials Rev Exp Statement to Dec 31, 2022**
- 7.2. Financials Operating by Dept Rev Exp Dec 31, 2023**
- 7.3. Financials December Cheque Listing to Dec 31, 2022**
- 7.4. Financials December Bank Reconciliation Dec 31, 2022**
- 7.5. Financials Tax Trial Balance as January 13, 2023**
- 7.6. Financials Tax Installment Payment Plan – TIPPs 2023**
- 7.7. Financial Report RV Inspection Report, Jan 14, 2023**

Donna Marquardt joins meeting at 11:09 am

**Motion 22:12:21:03** Moved by Mayor Thurston to accept the financial reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**Motion 22:12:21:03** Moved by Councillor Huff to follow the Land Use Bylaw and issue a credit from any overpayment in 2022 for RV permits and the credit will be applied to the residents' 2023 RV Permits.

MOTION CARRIED

**Motion 22:12:21:03** Moved by Councillor Huff to instruct Administration to put \$600 000 money, where \$300 000 will be put in redeemable and \$300 000 non-redeemable GICs.

MOTION CARRIED

## **8. Council and CAO Reports:**

### **8.1. Councilor Reports**

- Councillor Huff
  - Took the ICS course 100 online
  - He will be talking to Tamara at the Hall Society and few days before council meetings and bring anything forward that needs to be brought up.
- Councillor Waugh
  - Absent – internet connection poor and could not connect.
- Mayor Thurston
  - Will be at the in-person Hall and Rec meetings.
  - Shoreline at Front Street has an erosion issue. When the lake is high it erodes the MR coming up to properties by the lake.
  - AED has a little container to keep it warm, and put a heater in, plus a thermostat and an insulating cover when the heater turns off periodically due to safety.
  - Set up a new code for water account for both accounts.
  - Buffalo Lake Management team is meeting at the White Sands Hall and will have the RCMP, Fish and Wildlife, and Fire Chief in attendance.

**Motion 22:12:21:05** Moved by Councillor Huff to accept the CAO and Council Reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

## **9. Business:**

### **9.1. RFD – Council Remuneration – Summer Village Survey Information**

**Motion 22:12:21:05** Moved by Mayor Thurston to table deciding on the council remuneration until the February meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

### **9.2. RFD – Municipal Taxes for Phase 2 – Buffalo Ranch Estates – Tax Rebate & Estimate Costs**

**Motion 22:12:21:06** Moved by Councillor Huff to table deciding on the Municipal Taxes for Phase 2 of Buffalo Ranch Estates – Tax Rebate & Estimate Costs until the February meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

### **9.3. RFD – DRAFT County of Stettler and SV White Sands Road Servicing Agreement**

**Motion 22:12:21:07** Moved by Councillor Huff to seek a legal opinion before the Summer Village of White Sands accepts the County of Stettler and SV White Sands Road Servicing Agreement.

MOTION CARRIED

### **9.4. RFD – Request for Volunteers for Big Jack Classic Fishing Derby and the 2023**

## **Polar Plunge**

**Motion 22:12:21:08** Moved by Mayor Thurston to ask for community assistance for the Big Jack Classic and Polar Plunge for the Family Day Weekend on February 18-20, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

**Motion 22:12:21:08** Moved by Mayor Thurston to donate prizes to the Big Jack Classic at a maximum budget of \$200.

MOTION CARRIED

### **9.5. RFD – 2023 SREMA Agreement – Final DRAFT to be signed by all Councils**

Present to Council.

### **9.6. Railside Designs, Stettler – Design & Budget for White Sands Community Hall**

**Motion 22:12:21:05** Moved by Mayor Thurston to hire Railside Designs in Stettler to make a concept at a maximum budget of \$10 000.

MOTION CARRIED

### **9.7. RFD – Environmental Engineering Services - White Sands Community Drainage Plan**

**Motion 22:12:21:05** Moved by Mayor Thurston to have Administration find some quotes from Al-Terra and other engineering firms to create a White Sands Community Drainage Plan and bring back to the February council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

### **9.8. Quote – Community Hall Lighting – Van Electric**

**Motion 22:12:21:05** Moved by Mayor Thurston to hire Van Electric to upgrade the White Sands Hall and old shop lighting as per the quotes the company submitted.

MOTION CARRIED

## **10. Correspondence**

### **10.1. Letter from 2023 Changes to County of Stettler Recycling Program**

Present to Council

### **10.2. Invitation Brownlee Law – Emerging Trends online session**

Present to Council

## **11. In-Camera Session: - Personnel – Land – Legal – Other**

**11.1.** Personnel/Legal

**11.2.** Land/Legal – Subdivision

**Motion 22:12:21:05** Moved by Mayor Thurston to move into camera at 1:12 pm.

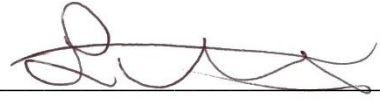
MOTION CARRIED

## **12. Adjournment**

Moved by Mayor Thurston adjourns the meeting at 1:12 PM.

Next Regular Council Meeting Date: February 15, 2023.

**Public welcome to attend**



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Chief Elected Official



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Chief Administrative Officer