

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MORDEN
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING
March 14, 2023 9:00 A.M.**

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City of Morden held in Council Chambers of the Civic Centre in Morden in the Province of Manitoba this 14th day of March, A.D. 2023 at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Brandon Burley, Deputy Mayor Gord Maddock, Councillors Nancy Penner, Doug Frost, Sheldon Friesen, Florian Lassnig, Garry Hiebert, City Manager Nicole Reidle, Director of Operations Tim Reimer, Fire Chief Andy Thiessen, Police Chief Brad Neduzak, Director of Parks & Urban Forestry Shawn Dias, Economic Development Officer Jason Dyck.

1.0 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

None

2.0 PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

2.1 Tom Janzen and Michael Blatz from Scatliff+Miller+Murray joined meeting to present the City of Morden Affordable Housing Strategy report to Council, several strategic directions were presented in the report which Council will take under advisement as Affordable Housing projects are explored within the City of Morden.

2.2 Economic Development – Jason Dyck presented monthly report to Council, provided an update on the Homebuyers Assistance Program which received 16 applicants with 4 qualifying for the assistance program. Another intake will be opening late spring into summer. Waiting on further instruction from the Province of Manitoba regarding the Day Care initiative.

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None

4.0 FIRE & POLICE

4.1 Fire Chief Report

- Received as information
- Reviewed discussed MFR MOU with Darlingford Fire Dept.
- Hosting 3 on 3 Pond Hockey Event at Lake Minnewasta March 18th

4.2 Police Chief Report

- Received as information
- Will be hosting an Investigators Course through Assiniboine Community College here in Morden with members from the Winkler & Altona Police Services participating.

4.2.1 By-law Enforcement Officer Report

- Received as information

5.0 OPERATIONS

- 5.1 Deputy City Manager-Operations Report **N/A**
- 5.2 Director of Operations Report
- Received as information
 - Updated Council on the significant snowfall event on March 11th and the clearing efforts of staff and contractors.
 - Snow policies will be reviewed

6.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES

- 6.1 Director of Community Services Report
- Received as information

7.0 PARKS & URBAN FORESTRY

- 7.1 Director of Parks & Urban Forestry Report
- Received as information
 - Received grant funding for Arbor Day being held on June 11th from Enbridge.
 - Received an additional \$23,000 from the Province of Manitoba through the Community Forest Program Agreement for the Dutch Elm program.
 - Applied for grant funding through the Enabling Accessibility Fund to construct a pathway to the Boardwalk and beach area at Lake Minnewasta, application was not successful.

8.0 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- 8.1 Director of Finance & Administration Report
- N/A
- 8.2 Director of IT Report
- Received as information
- 8.3 City Manager Report
- N/A
- 8.4 Mayor Report
- Attended various meetings in official mayoral capacity, including FCM Directors meeting.

9.0 COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE

- 9.1 Buhler Condo Request
- Recommended to Council at March 27th Council meeting

- 9.2 500 Stephen St. Insurance request
 - Council directed City Manager to obtain quote from Western Financial
- 9.3 Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame Ad request
 - Recommended to Council at March 27th meeting
- 9.4 Douglas Kuhl School of Music
 - Recommend to Council at March 27th meeting
- 9.5 Pembina Valley Water Coop
 - Received as information further discussion to take place at a later date.

10.0 OTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1 Letter to Mayors and Reeves
 - Received as information

11.0 EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 11.1 South Central Regional Library
- 11.2 SWAMP
- 11.3 MSTW Planning District
- 11.4 Central Manitoba Tourism
- 11.5 Menzies Medical Centre
- 11.6 Community Futures Heartland
- 11.7 Pembina Valley Child Care Centre
- 11.8 Tabor Home
- 11.9 Pembina Valley Local Immigration Partnership
- 11.10 Explore Morden-Winkler
- 11.11 Morden Stanley Fire Service
- 11.12 Morden Veterinary District
- 11.13 Pembina Valley Water Cooperative
- 11.14 Pembina Valley Watershed District
- 11.15 Western School Division

12.0 IN-CAMERA

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig

SECONDED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee moves in camera to discuss legal matters.

(Carried)

MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert

BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee moves out of camera back to Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

(Carried)

13.0 ADJOURN

MOVED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen

Resolved that the Committee-of-the-Whole does now adjourn.

(Carried)