

CITY OF MORDEN
Regular Meeting
March 27, 2023

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Morden held in Council Chambers at Morden, Manitoba this 27th day of March, A.D. 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

- 1.0 Present:** Mayor Brandon Burley (chair), Deputy Mayor Gord Maddock, Councillors Doug Frost, Sheldon Friesen, Nancy Penner, Florian Lassnig, Garry Hiebert City Manager Nicole Reidle, Director of Finance and Administration Edwin Barnuevo, Youth Council Member Maja Piekarska.

- 2.0** **ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Agenda **MOVED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen**
SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig
BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the meeting of March 27, 2023 is hereby adopted as distributed.

(Carried)

- 3.0** **PUBLIC HEARING 7:00 P.M**
3.1 **MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**
By-Law 04-2023 **SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost**
BE IT RESOLVED that the regular meeting of Council be now closed to convene as a public hearing for By-Law 04-2023 being a By-Law to amend the Morden Zoning By-Law 08-2017 to rezone Lot 17, Block 20, Plan 863, 23 Stephen Street.

(Carried)

The hearing this evening is to hear representation regarding By-law 04-2023 as submitted by Friesen Prairie Honey Farms for Lot 17 Block 20 Plan 863 in the City of Morden. The proposal as outlined in the Notice of Public Hearing was mailed as required by Section 169 of the Planning Act to the applicant and to the surrounding property owners of the affected property by regular mail on March 1st, 2023, and posted in the City of Morden Civic Centre on February 27, 2023.

The administration office *has not* received any representation either for or against the By Law.

Applicant was not present for the hearing.

In Opposition:

Barb Unrau – concerns with privacy the windows from the proposed building would be directly overhead, will eliminate sunshine with building hovering over her property. Yard care has already been lacking on this property, fire concerns with building being so close to property line. Not

opposed to having a building that would fit in with other properties current proposal does not.

Wes Schroeder – concerns with number of parking spaces in the proposal, this area of Stephen St. is already congested with parking. Can the sewer handle the extra residences? Already a high volume of traffic due to the businesses on the south side of the street, parking already creates a danger. Added lighting from proposed parking lot is a privacy issue. If Council were to approve he would request an 8ft high fence around the whole property. What are the plans for snow removal?

John Wiens – representing Boundary Trails Place. Concerns of parking on Stephen St. already jammed everyday. Boundary Trails Place objects to the rezoning.

Mary Lou Schroeder – Enjoy having the Morden Corn and Apple does create clean up for them but doesn't mind. Have received lots of compliments on their property, feels they have valid concerns. Something smaller would be more to their liking.

Joannah Voth – Proposed apartment will be located on the back of their yard, wants to advocate an objection. They looked into zoning when they purchased the property they were okay with RS2, windows from the proposed building will be looking into 23 properties. What are the plans with the mature trees on the property? An apartment built in a residential area would decrease property values, they have a nice house and pay premium taxes and doesn't think Council would decrease their taxes. Walking to work is a safety concern along with there being no sidewalk on the north side of Stephen Street is a concern for pedestrian safety. The neighborhood is not equipped to handle the increased capacity. If Council allows this will there be more coming?

Guy Lamarche – concerns with privacy, doesn't believe sewer can handle the increased capacity, no capacity to move snow, parking is a concern and it seems that it is not well thought out.

3.1.2
By-Law 04-2023

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert
SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Hearing for By-Law 04-2023 be hereby closed to reconvene the regular meeting of Council.

(Carried)

4.0

DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Rochelle Drudge from Douglas Kuhl School of Music presented to bring awareness to Council on the benefits that the school of music provides to

the Community. Their highest number of participants are from Morden, they support local businesses. Lessons do take place in both Morden and Winkler due to logistical reasons most concerts have been held in Morden, looking to have a more public presence in Morden in the coming years.

5.0

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1
Feb. 27/2023
Regular Meeting

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassinig

SECONDED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on the 27th day of February 2023 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.2
Mar. 7/2023
Special Meeting

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassinig

SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the Special meeting of Council held on the 7th day of March 2023 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.3
Mar 14/2023
COW

MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost

SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on the 14th day of March 2023 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

6.0

Recognition of Individuals and/or Organizations Accomplishments in the Community

Youth Councillor Maja Piekarska shared recognitions for the following individuals:

Loreena McKennitt was born and raised in Morden, started singing in school. Loreena sings folk songs of Celts and tangential regions and has sold more than 14 million records. Congratulations on being inducted into the Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame.

Betty Peters works for Western School Division as a School Liaison Worker and has been awarded the Manitoba School Board Association 2023 Presidents Council Award presented to her by Lieutenant Governor Anita Nevill. Betty was recognized for her significant work in working with parents and newcomer families to ensure kids had meals from school, assisted with Doctors appointments and has provided many families with information on resources that are available to help them. Congratulations to Betty on this prestigious award.

Congratulations to Morden Thunder Zone 4 on their Hockey Championship for the 2022 – 2023 season.

7.0 Youth Member Report

- Ms. Maja Piekarska reported that she held her first Do What You Are Event with guest speaker Robin Wiebe from Golden West which she felt was a true success. She was amazed to see the students so engaged and received positive feedback from attendees. Will be holding another event at the end of April and is so excited to be a Youth Council Member.

8.0 General Business

8.1
Accounts

MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert

SECONDED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts payable to February 28th, 2023, be confirmed in the amount of \$1,573,344.26 which includes the following:

- \$ 1,145,357.43 – cheque numbers 20738 to 21017
- \$ 7,835.63 – credit card payments
- \$ 396,922.32 – payroll
- \$ 17,064.28 – Pembina Valley Water Co-op
- \$ 6,164.60 - Enterprise Fleet Mgmt (Automobile Lease)

(Carried)

8.2
By-law
02-2023

MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert

SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden give 2nd reading to By-law 01-2023 being a by-law to levy property taxes for the City of Morden for the 2023.

(Carried)

8.2.1
By-law
01-2023

MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock

SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden give 3rd reading to By-law 01-2023 being a by-law to levy property taxes for the City of Morden for the year 2023.

*For: Mayor Burley and Councillors Frost, Maddock, Penner, Friesen, Lassnig and Hiebert
Against: None*

(Carried)

8.3
By-law
03-2023

MOVED BY

SECONDED BY

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden give 2nd reading to By-law 034-2023, being a by-law to rezone Lot 17, Block 20, Plan 863 known as 23 Stephen St.

(Tabled)

8.4
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MOVED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen
SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden approve Mayor and City Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Morden Fire & Rescue and Darlingford Fire Department.

(Carried)

8.5
Buhler Condo
Request – No
Parking Zone

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig
SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden approve the request to establish a No Parking zone to allow for a loading and unloading zone at 400 Stephen St.

(Carried)

8.6
Economic
Development

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig
SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost

BE IT RESOLVED Council of the City of Morden approve the travel request of Economic Development Office Jason Dyck.

AND THAT reimbursement for accommodations, travel and meals expenses be approved.

(Carried)

8.7
Douglas
school of
Music

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig
SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

BE IT RESOLVED Council for the City of Morden approve the funding request for the Douglas Kuhl School of Music in the amount of \$500.00.

(Carried)

8.8
Canadian
Baseball Hall
of Fame

MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert
SECONDED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen

WHEREAS on June 17, 2023 Joe Wiwchar is being inducted into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame.

BE IT RESOLVED Council for the City of Morden approve the purchase of a full page add in the amount of \$900.00 for the 2023 Induction Program for the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame in honor of Joe Wiwchar's induction.

8.9
Manitoba
Hydro Manilla/
Dublin

MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost
SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock

BE WHEREAS Agenda item 8.10 at the February 27, 2023 meeting of Council was approved to have Manitoba Hydro Install 9 60W LED Steel

Straight Shaft, with an annual energy charge of an additional \$1,569.00 plus applicable taxes, to the City of Morden;

AND THAT it was deemed by Manitoba Hydro that these numbers were incorrect and provided updated numbers to the City of Morden.

SO THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden hereby authorizes Manitoba Hydro to make the following changes to the street lighting system in Manila Drive and Dublin Drive:

- Install 12 60W LED Steel Straight Shaft, with an annual energy charge of an additional \$2,118.24 plus applicable taxes, to the City of Morden;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is agreed that this resolution will constitute an amendment to the street lighting contract now in force between Manitoba Hydro and the City of Morden.

(Carried)

8.10
Manitoba
Hydro Jordan
Way, Hanover,
Exeter

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig
SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Morden hereby authorizes Manitoba Hydro to make the following changes to the street lighting system on Jordan Way, Hanover Drive and Exeter Drive:

- Install 18 60W LED Steel Straight Shaft, with an annual energy charge of an additional \$3,177.36 plus applicable taxes, to the City of Morden;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is agreed that this resolution will constitute an amendment to the street lighting contract now in force between Manitoba Hydro and the City of Morden.

(Carried)

8.11
Accounts
Payable
December
2022

MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert
SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock

WHEREAS Agenda item 8.1 for Accounts Payable to December 31, 2022 was approved at the regular meeting of Council on January 30, 2023 as follows:

in the amount of \$1,828,315.35 which includes:

- \$ 1,422,278.95 – cheque numbers 19808 to 20225
- \$ 12,821.47 – credit card payments
- \$ 383,745.88 – payroll
- \$ 9,469.05 – Pembina Valley Water Co-op

AND THAT cheque numbers were quoted incorrectly on the resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED Council approve the corrected cheque numbers to be 20226 to 20505.

(Carried)

8.12
Accounts
Payable
January 2023

MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert
SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

WHEREAS Agenda item 8.1 for Accounts Payable to January 31, 2023 was approved at the regular meeting of Council on February 27, 2023 as follows:

in the amount of \$1,834,698.34 which includes:

- \$ 1,422,278.95 – cheque numbers 19808 to 20225
- \$ 14,891.65 – credit card payments
- \$ 382,766.16 – payroll
- \$ 8,596.98 – Pembina Valley Water Co-op
- \$ 6,164.60 - Enterprise Fleet Mgmt (Automobile Lease)

AND THAT the dollar amount for cheques and cheque numbers were quoted incorrectly on the resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED Council approve the corrected dollar amount to be \$1,380,309.39 and cheque numbers to be 20506 - 20737.

8.13
FCM
Endorsement
Mayor Burley

MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig
SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of member municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the united voice required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

WHEREAS FCM's Annual General Meeting (AGM) is held in conjunction with

the Annual Conference and Trade Show, followed by the election of FCM's Board of Directors;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the **City of Morden** endorse Brandon Burley to stand for election on FCM's Board of Directors for the period starting in June 2023 and ending **June 2024**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council assumes all costs associated with Brandon Burley attending FCM's Board of Directors meetings.

(Carried)

8.14
MWSB Project
Funding
Request

MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock
SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the City of Morden approve the funding submission requests to MWSB as recommended for the following projects:

| Priority | Project Name | Estimated Project Cost | Estimated Project Start Year | Municipal Share to be funded from |
|----------|--|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Standpipe upgrade | \$3,750,000 | 2024 | Borrowing |
| 2. | Morden Pembina River Raw Water Supply | \$17,000,000 | 2025 | Borrowing |
| 3. | Morden WTP Upgrades | \$4,000,000 | 2026 | Reserves |
| 4. | Alvey Street Trunk Watermain Upgrade | \$1,000,000 | 2026 | Reserves |
| 5. | 7 th & 8 th Street Block 400 Watermain Renewal | \$680,000 | 2025 | Reserves |

(Carried)

9.0 **NEW BUSINESS**
None

10.0 **OTHER BUSINESS**
10.1 CFDC Gala

11.0 **IN-CAMERA**

MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

11.1 **SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

BE IT RESOLVED that Council moves from the Regular Meeting to In-Camera to discuss Land matters, as per *The Municipal Act*, Section 152(3).

(Carried)

11.2 **MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner

BE IT RESOLVED that Council move out of camera and resume the Regular Meeting of Council.

(Carried)

12.0 **ADJOURN**

Adjourn **MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock

BE IT RESOLVED that the regular meeting of Council of the City of Morden does now adjourn.

(Carried)

Next regular meeting of Council scheduled for April 24th, 2023, at 7:00pm.

CITY OF MORDEN

Mayor

City Manager