



**Town of Lumsden**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Group I Committee October 10, 2024 - 4:00 PM**

**Call To Order**

The Group I Committee of the Lumsden Town Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office and via Zoom on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 4:04 pm.

**Present:**

Chairperson: Ashlee Longmoore (via Zoom)  
Mayor: Bryan Matheson  
Councillors: Verne Barber, Byron Tumbach  
Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky  
Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended from 4:04 pm to 5:45 pm)  
Community Coordinator: Chris Exner

**Invited Guest:**

Jason Grundahl - Qu'Appelle Valley Nordic (4:12 pm - 4:23 pm)

**Absent:**

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong  
Public Works Superintendent: Jeff Carey

***"We would like to begin by acknowledging that we are on the traditional lands, referred to as Treaty 4 territory, and that the Town of Lumsden is located on Treaty 4 territory, the original lands of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saukteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and on the homeland of the Métis."***

**Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tumbach

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we adopt the agenda as presented."

**CARRIED**

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

**Financial Reports**

**Financial Statements - September 30, 2024 Centennial Hall and RiverPark**

**Moved by:** Councillor Barber

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tumbach

"That we accept the Financial Statements for Centennial Hall and RiverPark for the period ending September 30, 2024, as presented."

**CARRIED**

**Qu'Appelle Valley Nordic - Jason Grundahl (4:12 pm - 4:23 pm)**

Mr. Grundahl appeared before the Committee to thank the Town for its contribution to QVN's success and to discuss the install of 3-phase power for snow-making purposes. The power would originate at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**2024 Swim Lesson Program**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tumbach

**Seconded by:** Councillor Barber

"That we accept the Financial Statement for the 2024 Swim Lesson Program as presented."

**CARRIED**

**SUMAssure - Insurance Review**

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign reported that the appraised values are used for insurance purposes. Lumsden participated in the Risk Assessment Pilot Program for the Arena, Centennial Hall, RiverPark and Wastewater Treatment Plant. Participation resulted in a premium discount.

**Minutes for Approval**

**July 25, 2024 - Group I Meeting Minutes**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tumbach

"That the minutes of the July 25, 2024 Group I Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."

**CARRIED**

**Lumsden Business Association**

Community Coordinator, Chris Exner, reported on the activities of the Lumsden Business Association. They are developing a more formal structure. The Committee wishes to know if the Business Association would like a Council representative to attend their meetings.

**Reports of Administration**

**RiverPark Oxbow Clean Up**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tumbach

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we recommend to Council to pursue further clean up of the oxbow between James Street North and RiverPark."

**CARRIED**

**Community Coordinator Report**

**Moved by:** Councillor Barber

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tumbach

"That the Community Coordinator's Report be accepted as presented."

**CARRIED**

**Centennial Hall & RiverPark - Quarterly Usage Report**

info only, no resolution

**Reports of Committees**

**Finance and Audit - Councillor Tumbach**

Future Council may wish to have Administration prepare an Annual Report to be included with the Audited Financial Statement.

**Protective Services - Councillor Barber**

The new District EMO met on October 2, 2024. Provincial representatives were in attendance as well as all stakeholders. Responsibilities of the various EMO positions were discussed. It was a very beneficial meeting.

**Recreation and Culture - Councillor Longmoore**

A Public Meeting will be held on October 21, 2024 to present the Recreation Master Plan. Appendix of participating community groups is missing from the Plan. The Mayor will represent the Town and act as the Chairperson. The overview, including graphs and statistics, can be provided at this October 21 Public Meeting. The Plan is available on the Town's website.

**Reports of Committees**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson

**Seconded by:** Councillor Barber

"That we accept the Reports of Committees."

**CARRIED**

**Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 5:45 pm.**

**Unfinished Business**

**Qu'Appelle Valley Nordic (QVN) - Request for 3 Phase Power**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tumbach

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we recommend Council approve a request from Qu'Appelle valley Nordic (QVN) to install a 3-phase power connection at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, at QVN's expense, for the purpose of snow-making, and;

That we acknowledge the power usage will be metered and invoiced by the Town to QVN."

**CARRIED**

**Pathway Improvements Through Lions Park**

**Moved by:** Councillor Barber

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tumbach

"That we include in the 2025 budget, the development of a plan to establish a proper walking path through Lions Park."

**CARRIED**

**New Business**

**Cemetery Rates Bylaw**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tumbach

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we recommend to Council to amend the Cemetery Bylaw Fee Schedule as per Schedule "A"."

**CARRIED**

**Recreation Facilities and Program Fees Bylaw**

**Moved by:** Councillor Barber

**Seconded by:** Councillor Tumbach

"That we recommend to Council to amend the Recreation Facilities and Program Fees Bylaw as per Schedule "B"."

**CARRIED**

**Request for June Peony Festival**

**Moved by:** Councillor Tumbach

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we support Lumsden's hosting of the June Peony Festival."

**CARRIED**

**Adjournment**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we adjourn the meeting at 6:29 pm."

**CARRIED**

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**Chairperson**

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**Chief Administrative Officer**