

# Town of Lumsden **Meeting Minutes** Group II Budget Meeting April 2, 2024 - 1:00 PM

## Call To Order

The Group II Committee of the Lumsden Town Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

Present:

Chairperson: Jenelle Brennan Mayor: Bryan Matheson

Councillors: Rhonda Phillips, Jim Rawlings (Attended from 1:00 pm to 2:04 pm)

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign Public Works Superintendent: Jeff Carey

## Absent:

none

"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, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and on the homeland of the Métis."

### **Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by:** Councillor Rawlings Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That we approve the agenda as presented."

**CARRIED** 

# **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

#### **Financial Reports**

**2023 Draft Financial Statement** Moved by: Mayor Matheson **Seconded by:** Councillor Phillips

"That we accept the 2023 Draft Financial Statement and variance explanation, both prepared by Administration."

**CARRIED** 

**Financial Reserve Report** 

Moved by: Councillor Rawlings Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That we accept the Financial Reserve Report, including 2023 contributions and withdrawals, as presented."

**CARRIED** 

**Recommend Surplus Transfer to Landfill Reserve** 

Moved by: Councillor Phillips Seconded by: Councillor Rawlings

"That we recommend Council transfer the anticipated 2023 surplus of \$71,623 to the Landfill Reserve." CARRIED

Councillor Jim Rawlings left for the remainder of the meeting at 2:04 pm

2024 Operating Budget - Group II Moved by: Councillor Phillips Seconded by: Mayor Matheson



"That we recommend Council accept the 2024 Operating Budget, as per Schedule "A"."

**CARRIED** 

2024 Capital Budget - Group II Moved by: Councillor Phillips Seconded by: Mayor Matheson

"That we recommend Council accept Group II's Capital Budget, as per Schedule "B"."

**CARRIED** 

### **Previous Meeting Minutes for Review**

March 5, 2024 - Group II Committee Meeting

Moved by: Mayor Matheson Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That the minutes of the March 5, 2024, Group II Committee meeting be approved, as circulated."

**CARRIED** 

## **Reports of Committees**

**Functional Transportation Plan Proposal** 

Moved by: Mayor Matheson Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That we recommend Council include the Functional Transportation Plan proposed by Associated Environmental, in the 2024 budget, at a cost of \$44,000, to identify an alternate route from south Lumsden to the town center."

**CARRIED** 

**Solar Holdback - Graham Construction** 

Moved by: Councillor Phillips Seconded by: Mayor Matheson

"That we recommend Council approve final payment in the amount of \$79,315.11 to Graham Construction for the solar portion of Wastewater Treatment Plant project."

Accept Committee Reports

Moved by: Mayor Matheson Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That the Group II Committee Reports be accepted as presented."

**CARRIED** 

## **Unfinished Business**

**Cemetery Improvements** 

Moved by: Councillor Phillips Seconded by: Mayor Matheson

"That we recommend Council engage Midwest Surveys Inc. to prepare a plan of our cemetery using aerial imagery, at a cost of \$3,825 plus GST, as well as burial plot markers at an estimated cost of \$25 to \$35 each, to be completed in 2024, and

That administration budget for a pavilion-style sign for the cemetery map in 2025."

**CARRIED** 

**Adjournment** 

Moved by: Councillor Phillips

"That we adjourn the meeting at 3:36 pm."

**CARRIED** 

Chairperson

Chief Administrative Officer