



**Town of Lumsden**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Group II Committee Meeting September 19, 2023 - 4:00 PM**

**Call To Order**

The Group II Committee of the Lumsden Town Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office and via Zoom on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 4:01 pm.

**Present:**

Chairperson: Jenelle Brennan  
Mayor: Bryan Matheson (via Zoom)  
Councillors: Rhonda Phillips  
Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky  
Assistant Administrator: Krystal Strong  
Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign  
Public Works Superintendent: Jeff Carey  
Utilities Manager: Gerry Beurivage

**Absent:**

Councillor: Jim Rawlings

*"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 Nation."*

**Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson  
**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.

**Reports of the Public Works & Utilities Departments**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Phillips

"That we accept the Public Works Report as presented verbally by Superintendent Jeff Carey and Utilities Manager Gerry Beurivage."

**CARRIED**

**Public Works and Utilities Report**

Superintendent Jeff Carey and Utilities Manager Gerry Beurivage discussed repairs to the landfill packer, repairs needed at a manhole on Broad Street near Second Avenue and a watermain valve replacement that was performed 'live', preventing a town-wide pressure loss as well as a town-wide Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory.

**Financial Reports**

**Financial Report as of August 31, 2023**

**Moved by:** Councillor Phillips  
**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That the Water, Sewer and Wastewater Treatment Plant Financial Statement as of August 31, 2023, be accepted as presented by Director of Finance Ryan Haresign." **CARRIED**

### **Capital Plans**

The Committee reviewed capital plans for the following reserves:

- Utility Reserve;
- Vehicles and Equipment; and
- Roads, Walkways and Bridge Reserve.

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

**June 20, 2023 - Group II Committee**

**Moved by:** Councillor Phillips

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That the minutes of the June 20, 2023, Group II Committee be approved, as circulated." **CARRIED**

### **Reports of Administration**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson

**Seconded by:** Councillor Phillips

"That the report of the Chief Administrative Officer be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

### **Reports of Committees**

#### **Environmental/Public Health and Welfare Committee - Councillor Brennan**

Councillor Brennan provided an update on the Landfill Decommissioning Project noting that the next meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2023.

#### **Water & Sewer Utility / Solar Committee - Councillor Phillips**

Councillor Phillips discussed a request from Deer Valley Water & Sewer for expedited raw water supply, which is being investigated by Utilities Manager Gerry Beaurivage. Councillor Phillips also provided an update regarding pump repairs at the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the digester shut down.

#### **Accept Committee Reports**

**Moved by:** Councillor Phillips

**Seconded by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we accept Committee Reports as presented." **CARRIED**

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Set Meeting Date for Rate Review**

The Group II Committee will meet next on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 4:00 pm.

### **New Business**

#### **Sewer Blockage Rebate Policy**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson

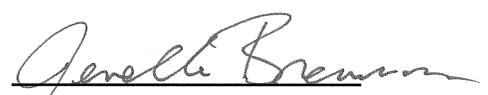
**Seconded by:** Councillor Phillips

"That we recommend Council adopt the amended Sewer Blockage Rebate Policy." **CARRIED**

### **Adjournment**

**Moved by:** Mayor Matheson

"That we adjourn the meeting at 5:25 pm." **CARRIED**

  
Chairperson

  
Chief Administrative Officer