



**TOWN OF MORRIS**

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
December 22, 2022**

Councillors Present: Mel Baxter  
Taylor Braun  
David Funk  
Chris Hamblin  
Tim Lewis  
Trevor Thiessen (via Microsoft Teams)

Also Present: CFO, Chris Janke

Absent: None

Presiding: Mayor Scott Crick

**01/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor David Funk**  
Agenda      **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Agenda for the December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 regular Council meeting  
be approved as presented. **(Carried)**

**02/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
Minutes      **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Minutes for the November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 regular Council meeting  
be approved as amended. **(Carried)**

**03/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
CAAW      **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
Minutes      **BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes for the December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Committee as a Whole  
Minutes be adopted as presented. **(Carried)**

**04/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
Council      **Seconded by Councillor David Funk**  
Members      **BE IT RESOLVED** that Council accept the following Members from Council for the  
December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 Regular Council Meeting as:  
  
In Attendance: Councillors Mel Baxter, Taylor Braun, David Funk, Chris Hamblin, Tim  
Lewis, Trevor Thiessen and Mayor Scott Crick  
Excused: None  
Unexcused: None **(Carried)**

**DELEGATIONS:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Manitoba Metis Federation Noted & discussed

**SEMINARS & EDUCATION:**

1. Manitoba Disaster Management Conference #05/12/22

**05/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
**Disaster**      **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
**Mgmt Conf**   **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that two Council/Staff members be authorized to attend the Manitoba Disaster Management Conference held in Winnipeg, January 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2023;  
**AND FURTHER** that expenses be reimbursed as per By-Law 02/19.

(Carried)

**TOWN OF MORRIS FINANCIAL**

- 1) Town of Morris List of Accounts #06/12/22, 07/12/22
- 2) Town of Morris Financials #08/12/22
- 3) Town of Morris Budget for Operations #09/12/22
- 4) Morris & Area Christmas Cheer Board Noted & Discussed
- 5) Valley Ag Society Request re: Water Bill #10/12/22

**06/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
Town List      **Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
Of Accounts   **BE IT RESOLVED** that the accounts for November 2022, being Cheque #'s 18760 to 18781 in the amount of \$152,256.67, Electronic Payments of \$159,779.61, and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$83,243.28 be approved as presented.  
(Carried)

**07/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
Town List      **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
Of Accounts   **BE IT RESOLVED** that the accounts for December 2022, being Cheque #'s 18782 to 18816 in the amount of \$63,824.86, Electronic Payments of \$172,708.61 and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$45,009.21 be approved as presented.  
(Carried)

**08/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
Financials      **Seconded by Councillor David Funk**  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Financial Statements for the months of October and November 2022 for the Town of Morris be adopted as presented.  
(Carried)

**09/12/22**      **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
2023 Interim   **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
Budget         **WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 163 of The Municipal Act, Council hereby adopts the Interim Budget for all operations and capital expenditures for 2023 until the adoption of the Annual Estimates as follows:

**OPERATING REQUIREMENTS:**

<b>General Government Services:</b>	<b>\$ 200,000.00</b>
<b>Protective Services</b>	<b>\$ 130,000.00</b>
<b>Transportation Services</b>	<b>\$ 300,000.00</b>
<b>Environmental Health Services</b>	<b>\$ 60,000.00</b>
<b>Public Health &amp; Welfare Services</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>
<b>Economic Development Services</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>
<b>Recreation &amp; Cultural Services</b>	<b>\$ 200,000.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Services</b>	<b>\$ 500,000.00</b>
<b>Environmental Development Services</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>
	<b>\$1,470,000.00</b>

**CAPITAL SERVICES:**

<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>
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**UTILITIES OPERATION:**

<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>
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<b><u>UTILITIES CAPITAL:</u></b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>
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(Carried)

**10/12/22** Valley Ag Request  
**Moved by Councillor David Funk**  
**Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
**WHEREAS** the Valley Ag Society has requested a reduction of 50% on their most recent water bill of \$1355.06 on Utility Account #5000.02;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the amount of \$677.53 be written off of Account # 5000.02.  
**(Carried)**

**MORRIS MULTIPLEX FINANCIAL**

- 1. MultiPlex List of Accounts #11/12/22, 12/12/22
- 2. MultiPlex Financials #13/12/22

**11/12/22** MultiPlex List Of Accounts  
**Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the November 2022 accounts for the Morris MultiPlex, being Cheque #'s 11473 to 11490 in the amount of \$19,190.26, Electronic Payments of \$9,744.86 and Payroll Direct deposits of \$1,320.75 be approved as presented.  
**(Carried)**

**12/12/22** MultiPlex List Of Accounts  
**Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the December 2022 accounts for the Morris MultiPlex, being Cheque #'s 11491 to 11500 in the amount of \$2,056.66, Electronic Payments of \$685.92 and Payroll Direct deposits of \$756.55 be approved as presented.  
**(Carried)**

**13/12/22** Financials  
**Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**Seconded by Councillor David Funk**  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Financial Statements for the months of September and October 2022 for the Morris MultiPlex be adopted as presented.  
**(Carried)**

**TOWN OF MORRIS NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Appointment of BDO for the 2022 Audit #13/12/22

**14/12/22** Auditor Appointment  
**Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**Seconded by Councillor David Funk**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council appoint BDO to complete the 2022 Audit for the Town of Morris.  
**(Carried)**

**MORRIS MULTIPLEX NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**BY-LAWS & POLICIES:**

- 1. By-Law 03/22 – Line of Credit By-Law #15/12/22, 16/12/22
- 2. By-Law 04/22 – PVWC Pass Through #17/12/22, 18/12/22

**15/12/22** BL 03/22 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading  
**Moved by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
**Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 03/22 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris authorizing the borrowing of money to meet the current operating expenditures be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.  
**(Carried)**

**16/12/22**            **Moved by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
BL 03/22            **Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
Final Reading    **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 03/22 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris authorizing the borrowing of money to meet the current operating expenditures be given final reading, be signed and sealed.

**(Carried)**

**Recorded Vote**  
**For: Councillors Mel Baxter, Taylor Braun, David Funk, Chris Hamblin, Tim Lewis, Trevor Thiessen and Mayor Scott Crick**  
**Against: None**  
**Absent: None**

**17/12/22**            **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
BL 04/22            **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading        **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 04/22 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris to amend the sewer and water rates within the Town of Morris to provide for a “Pass-Through” water rate increase from the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative as per Public Utilities Board Order 138/22 be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

**(Carried)**

**18/12/22**            **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
BL 04/22            **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**  
Final Reading    **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 04/22 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris to amend the sewer and water rates within the Town of Morris to provide for a “Pass-Through” water rate increase from the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative as per Public Utilities Board Order 138/22 be given final reading, be signed and sealed.

**(Carried)**

**Recorded Vote**  
**For: Councillors Mel Baxter, Taylor Braun, David Funk, Chris Hamblin, Tim Lewis, Trevor Thiessen and Mayor Scott Crick**  
**Against: None**  
**Absent: None**

**NOTICE OF MOTION:** No notice of motion

**IN CAMERA ITEMS:** None

Next Regular Committee as a Whole Meeting: January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.  
Next Regular Council Meeting: January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

**TOWN OF MORRIS**

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**MAYOR**

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**