

***CITY OF YORKTON  
SASKATCHEWAN***

***REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
April 24, 2023***

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, April 24, 2023 in City Hall Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Mitch Hipsley, Councillors: Dustin Brears (arrived at 6:02 p.m.), Ken Chyz, Randy Goulden, Quinn Haider, Chris Wyatt (via Zoom), and Darcy Zaharia.

City Administration Present Within the Bar: Lonnie Kaal – City Manager, Jessica Matsalla – Director of Legislation and Procedures (City Clerk), Ashley Stradeski – Director of Finance, and Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk.

Regrets: None

Absent: None

Recording: Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present Mayor Hipsley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Hipsley delivered the Treaty 4 Land Acknowledgement.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**\*\*\*R00095-2023**

**Haider/Zaharia**

**That the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of April 24, 2023 be approved as presented.**

**\*\*\*R00096-2023**

**Chyz/Goulden**

**That the agenda be amended by adding an item classified as “Other – Item B” to the In-Camera portion of the agenda.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**That the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of April 24, 2023 be approved as amended.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

### PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

*Councillor Zaharia:*

1. Mentioned that last week was National Volunteer Week from April 16-22, and extended thanks to all the volunteers that give their time, not just last week but all year long.
2. Reported that the Yorkton Spring Expo took place at the Gallagher Centre last weekend, and he thanked the Yorkton Exhibition Association and the Yorkton Lions Club for organizing the event, as well as all the volunteers, sponsors and businesses who took part.
3. Announced the upcoming events that are coming to Yorkton, including Darren Wandy and his crew for the Parkland Outdoor Show and Expo this coming weekend at the Gallagher Centre. This event brings in people from all over Canada and the United States, and will be held on Saturday from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Sunday from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. He also mentioned that the annual fundraiser for Yorkton Minor Football is taking place on May 6 with two guest speakers including Zeke Sandhu who is an agent for NFL, NBA and CFL players, and Noah Zerr who was drafted last year by the BC Lions. Lastly, the Lions Club announced that they will be holding their annual Lobsterfest on May 26 this year at the Yorkton Wildlife Federation.

*Councillor Chyz:*

1. Announced that Deer Park Golf Course officially opened today. He mentioned that the new Pro Shop is partially open, and he encouraged everyone to go check out the new building!

*Councillor Haider:*

1. Announced that each Thursday in June, the Yorkton Business Improvement District will be holding June Community Days at City Centre Park with different cultures being represented each week, including Jamaican, Philippines, Vietnamese, Ukraine, South Asian, Nigerian and Canadian.

*Councillor Goulden:*

1. Reported that this past Saturday night, she had the pleasure of attending the Yorkton Arts Council Stars for Saskatchewan featuring Keyed to Life: the Music of Stevie Wonder featuring the Saskatoon Jazz Orchestra. This included locals Dr. Glen Gillis, Director of the Orchestra who is from Theodore, and a guest performance by Scott Yemen who is the Band Director here in Yorkton for the Good Spirit School Division.
2. Announced that this weekend the Yorkton Kalyna Dance festival will be held at the Anne Portnuff Theatre with dancers and performers coming from all over Saskatchewan and Western Canada, as well as more live music coming to Yorkton on May 10 and May 14 with the Community Youth Band holding a spring concert.
3. Reported that this past Saturday she took part in Earth Day celebrations at Royal Ford. Terry Orzynsky brought in three electric cars, which were available to take for test drives. She extended thanks to all the volunteers who help make events just like this a success.

*Mayor Hippsley:*

1. Announced that Yorkton now has a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site, which officially opened this past Saturday morning in conjunction with Earth Day. He commended City of Yorkton's Solid Waste & Environmental Programs Manager, Lyndon Hicks, along with SaskAbilities for organizing and opening this facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 27, 2023

**\*\*\*R00097-2023**

**Chyz/Goulden**

**That the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 27, 2023 be approved as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Special Meeting of Council Minutes – April 5, 2023

**\*\*\*R00098-2023**

**Wyatt/Haider**

**That the Special Meeting of Council Minutes of April 5, 2023 be approved as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- No Items

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND MATTERS REFERRED

Protective Services Committee Meeting Minutes – January 19, 2023

**\*\*\*R00099-2023**

**Chyz/Haider**

**That the Protective Services Committee Meeting Minutes of January 19, 2023 be received and filed.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes – January 19, 2023

**\*\*\*R00100-2023**

**Zaharia/Goulden**

**That the Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes of January 19, 2023 be received and filed.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes – January 24, 2023

**\*\*\*R00101-2023**

**Zaharia/Wyatt**

**That the Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2023 be received and filed.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2023

**\*\*\*R00102-2023**

**Goulden/Chyz**

**That the Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2023 be received and filed.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Mayor Hipsley – Appointment to Civic Recognition Awards Committee

Mayor Hipsley passed the Chair to Acting Deputy Mayor Goulden 5:13 to 5:14 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00103-2023**

**Hipsley/Chyz**

**That the Council of the City of Yorkton appoint Tamara Hall to the Civic Recognition Awards Committee for the balance of 2023.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

HEARING OF PETITIONS, PUBLIC NOTICES AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentation – Yorkton Cross Country Ski Club Request for an Addition to Deer Park Golf Course Clubhouse Name & Update on Club

Correspondence from Anne Stupak, Director of Yorkton Cross Country Ski Club and Ray Bailey, President of Yorkton Cross Country Ski Club regarding Yorkton Cross Country Ski Club Request for an Addition to Deer Park Golf Course Clubhouse Name & Update on Club dated March 15, 2023 was circulated for consideration of Council. Anne Stupak, Director of Yorkton Cross Country Ski Club, presented to Council.

Mayor Hipsley passed the Chair to Acting Deputy Mayor Goulden 5:21 – 5:23 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00104-2023**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That Council refer the request of the Yorkton Cross Country Ski Club to add to the name the new clubhouse so that it reads “Deer Park Golf Clubhouse and Nordic Centre” to the Recreation and Community Services Committee for their review and input, and that Administration report back to Council with the findings.**

**Further, that Council receive and file the presentation from the Cross Country Ski Club’s activities and future plans.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Public Hearing – Proposed Bylaw No. 1/2023 Amend Urban Forestry Bylaw No. 15/2007

The Mayor declared the Public Hearing as open 5:24 p.m.

The City Clerk advised that no written submissions were received as of the deadline of April 19, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. The Mayor called for any petitioners present who wished to speak to the item to approach the podium, of which there were none.

The Mayor declared the Public Hearing as closed 5:25 p.m.

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PETITIONS, PUBLIC NOTICES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Director of Recreation and Community Services – Proposed Bylaw No. 1/2023 to Amend Urban Forestry Bylaw No. 15/2007 [2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings]**

A report dated April 19, 2023 from the Director of Recreation and Community Services regarding Proposed Bylaw No. 1/2023 to Amend Urban Forestry Bylaw No. 15/2007 [2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings] was circulated for consideration of Council. Darcy McLeod, Director of Recreation and Community Services, presented the report to Council.

**\*\*\*R00105-2023**

**Haider/Zaharia**

**That Bylaw No. 1/2023, a Bylaw of the City of Yorkton in the Province of Saskatchewan, to amend Urban Forestry Bylaw No. 15/2007 to ensure the Urban Forest is properly maintained as an asset to the City of Yorkton, be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2023.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00106-2023**

**Zaharia/Wyatt**

**That Bylaw No. 1/2023, a Bylaw of the City of Yorkton in the Province of Saskatchewan, to amend Urban Forestry Bylaw No. 15/2007 to ensure the Urban Forest is properly maintained as an asset to the City of Yorkton, be given 3<sup>rd</sup> reading this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2023, and be entered in the City of Yorkton Bylaw Registry.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- No Items

**BYLAWS**

**Assessment and Taxation Manager – Proposed Bylaw No.3/2023 – 2023 Mill Rate/Business Improvement District Levy, Base Taxes and Mill Rate Factors for Classes and Sub-Classes of Land and Improvements**

A report dated April 21, 2023 from the Assessment and Taxation Manager regarding Proposed Bylaw No. 3/2023 – 2023 Mill Rate/Business Improvement District Levy, Base Taxes and Mill Rate Factors for Classes and Sub-Classes of Land and Improvements was circulated for consideration of Council. Raelyn Knudson, Assessment and Taxation Manager, presented the report to Council.

**\*\*\*R00107-2023**

**Wyatt/Zaharia**

**That Bylaw No. 3/2023 – 2023 Mill Rate/Business Improvement District Levy, Base Taxes and Mill Rate Factors for Classes and Sub-Classes of Land and Improvements be introduced and given first reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00108-2023**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That Bylaw No. 3/2023 be given second reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00109-2023**

**Haider/Zaharia**

**That with the unanimous consent of Council, Bylaw No. 3/2023 proceed to third reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00110-2023**

**Zaharia/Haider**

**That Bylaw No. 3/2023 – 2023 Mill Rate/Business Improvement District Levy, Base Taxes and Mill Rate Factors for Classes and Sub-Classes of Land and Improvements be given third and final reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023, and be registered in the Bylaw Register of the City of Yorkton.**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

Assessment and Taxation Manager – 2023 Tax Exemptions - Proposed Bylaw No.4/2023 – Exemption of Taxation – Other, Proposed Bylaw No. 5/2023 – Exemption of Taxation – Business Improvement Incentive Policy and Residential Construction Incentive, Proposed Bylaw No. 6/2023 Exemption of Taxation – Habitat for Humanity Home

A report dated April 14, 2023 from the Assessment and Taxation Manager regarding 2023 Tax Exemptions was circulated for consideration of Council. Raelyn Knudson, Assessment and Taxation Manager, presented the report to Council.



**\*\*\*R00111-2023**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That Bylaw No. 4/2023 – A Bylaw of the City of Yorkton, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Providing for the Exemption of Taxation for Certain Properties – Other within the City of Yorkton be introduced and given first reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00112-2023**

**Zaharia/Wyatt**

**That Bylaw No. 4/2023 be given second reading this this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00113-2023**

**Zaharia/Haider**

**That with the unanimous consent of Council, Bylaw No. 4/2023 proceed to third reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00114-2023**

**Goulden/Wyatt**

**That Bylaw No. 4/2023 – A Bylaw for the City of Yorkton, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Providing for the Exemption of Taxation for Certain Properties – Other within the City of Yorkton be given third and final reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023, and be registered in the Bylaw Register of the City of Yorkton.**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00115-2023**

**Haider/Wyatt**

**That Bylaw No. 5/2023 – A Bylaw of the City of Yorkton, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Providing for the Exemption of Taxation for Certain Properties – Business Improvement Incentive Policy and Residential Construction Incentive Policy within the City of Yorkton be introduced and given first reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00116-2023**

**Wyatt/Zaharia**

**That Bylaw No. 5/2023 be given second reading this this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00117-2023**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That with the unanimous consent of Council, Bylaw No. 5/2023 proceed to third reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00118-2023**

**Haider/Chyz**

**That Bylaw No. 5/2023 – A Bylaw for the City of Yorkton, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Providing for the Exemption of Taxation for Certain Properties – Business Improvement Incentive Policy and Residential Construction Incentive Policy within the City of Yorkton, be given third and final reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023, and be registered in the Bylaw Register of the City of Yorkton.**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00119-2023**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That Bylaw No. 6/2023 – A Bylaw of the City of Yorkton, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Providing for the Exemption of Taxation for Certain Properties – Habitat for Humanity Home within the City of Yorkton be introduced and given first reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00120-2023**

**Haider/Wyatt**

**That Bylaw No. 6/2023 be given second reading this this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00121-2023**

**Chyz/Haider**

**That with the unanimous consent of Council, Bylaw No. 6/2023 proceed to third reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00122-2023**

**Chyz/Zaharia**

**That Bylaw No. 6/2023 – A Bylaw for the City of Yorkton, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Providing for the Exemption of Taxation for Certain Properties – Habitat for Humanity Home within the City of Yorkton, be given third and final reading this 24th day of April, A.D. 2023, and be registered in the Bylaw Register of the City of Yorkton.**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

##### Solid Waste & Environmental Programs Manager – Spring Yard Waste Clean-Up 2023

A report dated April 24, 2023 from the Solid Waste & Environmental Programs Manager regarding the Spring Yard Waste Clean-Up 2023 was circulated for consideration of Council. Lyndon Hicks, Solid Waste & Environmental Programs Manager presented the report to Council.

Mayor Hipsley passed the Chair to Acting Deputy Mayor Goulden 6:00 – 6:01 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00123-2023**

**Goulden/Chyz**

**That in acknowledgement of Environmental Service's initiative of 'Spring Yard Waste and City Wide Clean-up Week' from May 8-13, 2023, Council hereby authorizes the waiver of landfill entrance fees at the Sanitary Landfill for the residents and schools of the City of Yorkton, hauling in their residential/school yard 'winter debris' by car, van, sport utility vehicle, half-ton truck or utility trailer.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Councillor Haider declared a conflict of interest for the next item as he is employed by the school division requesting the amendment. He excused himself from Council Chambers 6:02 p.m.

Councillor Brears entered Council Chambers 6:02 p.m.

Director of Planning, Building & Development – Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application to Allow Public Education Service Use – 464 Broadway Street East

A report dated April 24, 2023 from the Director of Planning, Building & Development regarding the Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application to Allow Public Education Service Use – 464 Broadway Street East was circulated for consideration of Council. Michael Eger, Director of Planning, Building & Development, presented the report to Council.

Mayor Hipsley passed the Chair to Deputy Mayor Brears 6:36 p.m. – 6:38 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00124-2023**

**Wyatt/Chyz**

**That Council deny the Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application required to allow for a Public Education Services use within Condo Plan 102164655, civically known as 464 Broadway Street East.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00125-2023**

**Brears/Goulden**

**That Council refer *the ‘Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application to allow for a Public Education Services use within Condo Plan 102164655 civically known as 464 Broadway Street East’* item to the Planning & Infrastructure Commission for input and review, and for Administration to bring a report back to a future Council Meeting with their feedback.**

**Councillor Wyatt Opposed.**

**Carried.\*\*\***

Councillor Haider re-entered Council Chambers 6:43 p.m. as the matter of which he had a conflict of interest in had been dealt with.

Director of Engineering & Asset Management – York Road Reconstruction Tender Award

A report dated April 18, 2023 from the Director of Engineering & Asset Management regarding the York Road Reconstruction Tender Award was circulated for consideration of Council. Rene Richard, Director of Engineering & Asset Management, presented the report to Council.

Mayor Hipsley passed the Chair to Deputy Mayor Brears 7:18 – 7:18 p.m., 7:19 – 7:23 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00126-2023**

**Wyatt/Goulden**

**That Council direct Administration to proceed with the York Road Reconstruction Project with a total project budget of \$26,600,000, and award the tender for “York Road Reconstruction” to G Ungar Construction for \$15,615,561.75 plus applicable taxes, and further that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute said contract.  
Councillor Zaharia Opposed.**

**Carried.\*\*\***

GIVING NOTICE OF MOTION

- No Items

IN CAMERA SESSION

**\*\*\*R00127-2023**

**Haider/Zaharia**

**That this Regular Council Meeting move to an In-Camera Session to deal with one matter categorized as “Other” and two matters categorized as “Property” as per *LAFOIP* contained in Appendix A of *The Procedures Bylaw No. 1/2016*, Sections 3,5(a)(b)(c)(e), 6(d)(e) - 7:26 pm.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Mayor Hipsley called a ten (10) minute recess to clear Council Chambers at 7:26 p.m.

Mayor Hipsley called the In-Camera session to order at 7:39 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Mitch Hipsley, Councillors: Dustin Brears, Ken Chyz, Randy Goulden, Quinn Haider, Chris Wyatt (present from 7:39 – 7:53 p.m. via Zoom), Darcy Zaharia.

City Administration Present in Council Chambers: Lonnie Kaal – City Manager, Jessica Matsalla – Director of Legislation and Procedures (City Clerk), Gord Kennedy – Director of Human Resources, Darcy McLeod – Director of Recreation & Community Services, Taylor Morrison – Gallagher Centre General Manager, and Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk.

Councillor Wyatt electronically exited the meeting 7:53 p.m.

Councillor Brears exited Council Chambers at 8:52 and returned at 8:55 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00128-2023**

**Brears/Goulden**

**That Council Rise and Report to the Regular Scheduled meeting agenda – 9:06 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously. \*\*\***

**RESOLUTIONS RESULTING FROM IN CAMERA SESSION**

**\*\*\*R00129-2023**

**Chyz/Haider**

**That Council direct Administration to continue negotiations with IAFF Local 1527 as per the parameters discussed in Option A as contained in the In-Camera report of April 24, 2023 provided by the Director of Human Resources.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00130-2023**

**Haider/Goulden**

**That Council direct Administration to proceed with presenting the proposed Permanent Close and Transfer Bylaw No. 7/2023 for Service Street Right of Way adjacent to 415 and 441 Broadway Street East, at the May 15, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.**

**Councillor Brears Opposed.**

**Carried.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00131-2023**

**Brears/Zaharia**

**That Council direct Administration to proceed with Option 3 in conjunction with the details from the last page listed in the In-Camera report dated April 24, 2023, from the Director of Recreation and Community Services.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00132-2023**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That Council direct administration to proceed with Option 1 as noted in the Library Building Update - 93 Broadway Street West report dated April 17, 2023 from the City Manager.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\*\*R000133-2023**

**Brears/Zaharia**

**That this Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 9:09 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2023

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Mayor

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City Clerk