

**CITY OF YORKTON
SASKATCHEWAN**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
November 25, 2024**

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, November 25, 2024 in City Hall Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Aaron Kienle, Councillors: Dustin Brears, Randy Goulden, Quinn Haider, Greg Litvanyi, Stephanie Ortynsky, and Darcy Zaharia.

City Administration Present Within the Bar: Brad Hvidston – 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 Kienle called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Kienle delivered the Treaty 4 Land Acknowledgement.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*****R00292-2024**

Haider/Litvanyi

That the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of November 25, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillor Litvani:

1. Reported that on behalf of City Council he recently attended an event welcoming internationally educated nurses and physicians to the city of Yorkton, hosted by the Saskatchewan Health Authority and the Health Foundation. It was great to see and meet the nurses and physicians who have made Yorkton their home, and he further thanked all health care professionals for their work.

Councillor Haider:

1. Thanked all the candidates who put their names forward in the recent election for City Council, and for running friendly, positive campaigns. He also congratulated those who were elected, and further thanked former Councillors Chris Wyatt and Ken Chyz and former Mayor Mitch Hippsley for their years of service.

Councillor Brears:

1. Announced that the Credence Ice Fishing for Charity event will be taking place on February 15 at the Theodore Reservoir. He believes it will be a free fishing weekend and encouraged everyone to attend. There will be many great prizes and all proceeds will be going to the Health Foundation.

Councillor Ortynsky:

1. Acknowledged the great work that was done this past weekend at the Yorkton Regional High School for their musical production of “The Wedding Singer”.
2. Reminded everyone that as we approach the holiday season, to stay safe as you venture into your holiday parties.

Councillor Goulden:

1. Announced that there are many upcoming Christmas events happening including the Yorkton Community Jazz Band Christmas Concert on December 1, the Yorkton Community Choir Concert on December 8, and on New Year’s Eve the Paper Bag Players will be hosting a Murder Mystery supper and show at The Owl’s Nest at Deer Park.
2. Acknowledged and congratulated the Yorkton Brick Mill Heritage Society who recently won the Governor’s Award at the National Trust’s Annual Conference On November 15.

Councillor Zaharia:

1. Thanked the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre for hosting the Festival of Cultures this past weekend at Sacred Heart High School. Ten different countries were represented and it was a great opportunity to explore other cultures with activities, food and dance. He encouraged everyone to attend next year.
2. Congratulated Paul Hoffman who set three provincial records this past weekend in Regina for weight lifting and came close to breaking a national record for bench press. He will get another shot at it in February in Moose Jaw, and he wished him luck at the next event.
3. Announced that Big Brothers Big Sisters Yorkton will be hosting Santa photos at the mall on December 6, 7,13,14,20 and 21.
4. Announced that the Yorkton Tribal Council will be sponsoring a free family movie on December 15 at the Tower Theatre. Moana 2 will be showing and all kids will receive a free mini popcorn, candy and a drink.
5. Announced that volunteer applications are now open for the City of Yorkton's committees and boards. The deadline to apply is December 13, for more information please contact City Hall.
6. Thanked City of Yorkton crews for their snow removal efforts over the past few days and reminded everyone to check the snow removal routes on the City of Yorkton's website and social media.
7. Shared that, in partnership with SIGN, the Gloria Hayden Community Centre is hosting Drop in Play. The cost is \$2 per child and runs on Mondays until December 16.
8. Announced that the Yorkton Parks and Recreation Twinkle Tour is open for registration. The deadline to have your decorated home on the map is December 20.
9. Reported that Aspira Yorkton Crossing has sponsored free walking at the tracks at both the Gloria Hayden Community Centre and the Gallagher Centre Flexi-hall for October, November and now December as well.
10. Announced that there will be a free racquetball clinic taught by a Saskatchewan certified coach held on November 28 and December 5 at the Gloria Hayden Community Centre.
11. Reminded everyone that the Yorkton Sports Bank is always looking for donations. You can drop off or pick up items at the Gallagher Centre, Gloria Hayden Community Centre, or at BGC Yorkton.

Mayor Kienle:

1. Thanked the Yorkton Business Improvement District for their fantastic job Sunday starting with a free pancake breakfast, then a free movie at the Tower Theatre and ending the day with the Santa Claus Parade.
2. Thanked the City of Yorkton snow removal crews for all their efforts this weekend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2024

*****R00293-2024**

Goulden/Ortynsky

That the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously***

Inaugural Special Meeting Council Minutes – November 15, 2024

*****R00294-2024**

Brears/Haider

That the Inaugural Special Meeting of Council Minutes of November 15, 2024 be approved as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- No Items

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND MATTERS REFERRED

Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes – June 19, 2024

*****R00295-2024**

Zaharia/Ortynsky

That the Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes of June 19, 2024 be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously.***

Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2024

*****R00296-2024**

Zaharia/Ortynsky

That the Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2024 be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously.***

Planning and Infrastructure Commission Meeting Minutes – August 28, 2024

*****R00297-2024**

Haider/Goulden

That the Planning and Infrastructure Commission Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2024 be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously.***

HEARING OF PETITIONS, PUBLIC NOTICES AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentation – Parkland Filipino Canadian Association Corporation Basketball Team – Information on Organization and Facilities Request

Correspondence from the Parkland Filipino Canadian Association Corporation regarding information on their organization and facilities request dated November 20, 2024 was circulated for consideration of Council. Jonathan Rosas, President of the Parkland Filipino-Canadian Association Corporation, presented to Council.

Amanda Dietz, Assistant City Clerk exited the bar and Council Chambers 5:23 and returned at 5:27 p.m.

*****R00298-2024**

Zaharia/Ortynsky

That Council receive and file the presentation from the President of the Parkland Filipino-Canadian Association Corporation regarding information on their organization and facilities request.

Carried Unanimously.***

*****R00299-2024**

Goulden/Ortynsky

That Council refer the request from the President of the Parkland Filipino-Canadian Association Corporation regarding a dedicated basketball facility to budget deliberations for further review.

Carried Unanimously.***

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PETITIONS, PUBLIC NOTICES AND PRESENTATIONS

- No Items

CORRESPONDENCE

- No Items

BYLAWS

Land Use Planner – Proposed Bylaw No. 15/2024 – Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 14/2003 Rezoning of Multiple Broadway Street West Properties to MXURB Mixed Use Residential-Business [Introduction and First Reading/Authorization of Public Notice]

A report dated November 20, 2024 from the Land Use Planner regarding Proposed Bylaw No. 15/2024 – Amendment to Zoning Bylaw No. 14/2003 was circulated for consideration of Council. Carleen Koroluk, Land Use Planner, presented the report to Council.

*****R00300-2024**

Goulden/Litvanyi

That Bylaw No. 15/2024, a bylaw of the City of Yorkton in the Province of Saskatchewan to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 14/2003 by rezoning certain properties to MXURB Mixed Use Residential-Business and amend the Zoning Map to reflect the rezoning, be introduced and given 1st Reading, this 25th day of November, A.D., 2024, and that Administration be authorized to proceed with the Public Notice process.

Carried Unanimously***

Director of Recreation and Community Services – Proposed Bylaw No. 16/2024 – Cemetery Bylaw

A report dated November 21, 2024 from the Director of Recreation and Community Services regarding Proposed Bylaw No. 16/2024 – Cemetery Bylaw was circulated for consideration of Council. Taylor Morrison, Director of Recreation and Community Services, presented the report to Council.

*****R00301-2024**

Haider/Brears

That Bylaw No. 16/2024, a bylaw in the City of Yorkton in the Province of Saskatchewan, being a bylaw to provide for the control and to regulate the operation of cemeteries within the City of Yorkton, known as *The Cemetery Bylaw* be introduced and given 1st reading this 25th day of November, A.D., 2024.

Carried Unanimously***

*****R00302-2024**

Zaharia/Ortynsky

That Bylaw No. 16/2024 be given 2nd reading this 25th day of November, A.D., 2024.

Carried Unanimously***

*****R00303-2024**

Haider/Zaharia

That with unanimous consent of Council, that Council proceed to third reading of Bylaw No. 16/2024 this 25th day of November, A.D, 2024.

Carried Unanimously***

*****R00304-2024**

Goulden/Brears

That Bylaw No. 16/2024, a bylaw in the City of Yorkton in the Province of Saskatchewan, being a bylaw to provide for the control and to regulate the operation of cemeteries within the City of Yorkton, known as *The Cemetery Bylaw* be given 3rd and final reading this 25th day of November, A.D., 2024, and entered in the City of Yorkton bylaw registry.

Carried Unanimously***

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Manager of Community, Culture and Heritage – Social Prescribing Pilot Project

A report dated November 20, 2024 from the Manager of Community, Culture and Heritage regarding the Social Prescribing Pilot Project was circulated for consideration of Council. Lisa Washington, Manager of Community, Culture and Heritage, along with Rod McKendrick, Social Prescribing Coordinator for the Saskatchewan Senior Mechanism, presented the report to Council.

*****R00305-2024**

Goulden/Litvanyi

That Council direct Administration to enter into a funding agreement with the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism for the Social Prescribing Pilot Project, and further that Council encourage residents to become familiar with and make use of the program once launched.

Carried Unanimously.***

Bylaw & Safety Supervisor – Free Parking – Downtown Parking Lots

A report dated November 14, 2024 from the Bylaw & Safety Supervisor regarding Free Parking – Downtown Parking Lots was circulated for consideration of Council. Nicole Baptist, Bylaw & Safety Supervisor, presented the report to Council.

*****R00306-2024**

Haider/Zaharia

That Council offers free parking access to the four Multi Space Pay Station Parking Lots and the Permit Parking lots located on Myrtle Avenue, Betts Avenue, First Avenue and Second Avenue for the following dates:

- **December 9-27, 2024**
- **February 10-14, 2025**
- **April 14-18, 2025**
- **June 30-July 4, 2025**
- **August 25-29, 2025**
- **October 27-31, 2025**

Carried Unanimously.***

Director of Recreation & Community Services – Neulex Industries Kid’s Expo Fee Relief Request Response

A report dated November 21, 2024 from the Director of Recreation & Community Services regarding Neulex Industries Kid’s Expo Fee Relief Request Response was circulated for consideration of Council. Taylor Morrison, Director of Recreation & Community Services, presented the report to Council.

*****R00307-2024**

Zaharia/Brears

That Council direct Administration to follow the established sponsorship practice, and request a sponsorship letter or package from Neulex Industries for Administration to review and implement as deemed appropriate.

Carried Unanimously.***

Director of Legislation & Procedures (City Clerk) – Deputy Mayor Appointments 2024-2028

A report dated November 18, 2024 from the Director of Legislation & Procedures (City Clerk) regarding the Deputy Mayor Appointments 2024-2028 was circulated for consideration of Council. Jessica Matsalla, Director of Legislation & Procedures (City Clerk), presented the report to Council.

*****R00308-2024**

Litvanyi/Haider

That Council appoint each of the 2024-2028 City of Yorkton Councillors to be appointed to serve terms of four (4) month periods as Deputy Mayor, within their four (4) year Council office term, scheduled as follows:

- 1. November, 2024 - February, 2025 – Councillor Randy Goulden;**
- 2. March – June, 2025 – Councillor Dustin Brears,**
- 3. July – October, 2025 Councillor Quinn Haider;**
- 4. November, 2025 – February, 2026 Councillor Greg Litvanyi;**
- 5. March – June, 2026 Councillor Stephanie Ortynsky;**
- 6. July – October, 2026 Councillor Darcy Zaharia;**
- 7. November, 2026 - February, 2027 – Councillor Randy Goulden;**
- 8. March – June, 2027 – Councillor Dustin Brears;**
- 9. July – October, 2027 – Councillor Quinn Haider;**
- 10. November, 2027– February, 2028 – Councillor Greg Litvanyi;**
- 11. March – June, 2028 – Councillor Stephanie Ortynsky;**

12.July – October, 2028 – Councillor Darcy Zaharia

13.November 2028 – Inauguration date of 2028-2032 Council – Councillor Randy Goulden

Carried Unanimously.***

GIVING NOTICE OF MOTION

- No Items

IN CAMERA SESSION

*****R00309-2024**

Brears/Zaharia

That this Regular Council Meeting move to an In-Camera Session to deal with one matter categorized as ‘Other’ as per *LAFOIP* contained in Appendix A of *The Procedures Bylaw No. 1/2016*, Sections 3,5(a)(c),6(d) - 6:48 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.***

Mayor Kienle called a fifteen (15) minute recess to clear Council Chambers at 6:48 p.m.

Mayor Kienle called the In-Camera session to order at 7:02 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Aaron Kienle, Councillors: Dustin Brears, Randy Goulden, Quinn Haider, Greg Litvanyi, Stephanie Ortynsky, and Darcy Zaharia.

City Administration Present in Council Chambers: Brad Hvidston – City Manager, Jessica Matsalla – Director of Legislation and Procedures, Ashley Stradeski – Director of Finance, Gord Kennedy – Director of Human Resources, Taylor Morrison – Director of Recreation & Community Services, Kaylee Diduck – Human Resources Advisor, and Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk.

*****R00310-2024**

Litvanyi/Ortynsky

That Council Rise and Report to the Regular Scheduled meeting agenda – 7:58 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.***

RESOLUTIONS RESULTING FROM IN CAMERA SESSION

*****R00311-2024**

Haider/Ortynsky

That Council direct Administration to continue negotiations with CUPE Local 342 as per the parameters discussed in Option A as contained in the In-Camera report of November 25th, 2024 provided by the Director of Human Resources.

Carried Unanimously.***

ADJOURNMENT

*****R00312-2024**

Brears/Zaharia

That this Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:59 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.***

Approved this 16th day of December, A.D. 2024

Mayor

City Clerk