

Village of Val Marie
Minutes - Regular Meeting of Council
Held in the Municipal Office Boardroom, 112 Railway Ave E, Val Marie, Saskatchewan
Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Present: Mayor Roland Facette
 Councillor Ron Denniel
 Councillor Adam Ducan
 Councillor John Reynolds

Absent: Councillor Mette Ducan

Administrator: Cathy Legault, Administrator

A quorum being present, Mayor Facette called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

2024-059	MINUTES	<p>A.DUCAN: That the minutes of the February 22, 2024 regular meeting be approved as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
	DELEGATE	<p>Caitlin Mroz-Sailer and Peter Sailer were received by Council at 1:15 p.m. Delegates explained that they feel the sewer rates for the “Shady Lane” property (303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 313 Railway Avenue W) of approximately \$6,500 per year is too high and unfairly overcharged as they are only one-bedroom units and can’t support the use of a family unit. Delegates noted that the grocery store property has residential and commercial use and only receives one charge, and the hotel property also has residential and commercial use and also only receives one charge. Delegates explained that they would consider a sewer fee for each building fairer. Delegates noted that other businesses do not have as high of sewer billing costs considering that they can run a business and have a residential unit in one property and only receive one bill. Delegates excused themselves at 2:00 p.m.</p>
	DELEGATE	<p>Brendan Manz, Industry Development Consultant with Tourism Saskatchewan and Lee Friesen were received by Council at 2:00 p.m. Delegates reviewed the draft agreement between Tourism Saskatchewan and the Village of Val Marie regarding a financial contribution for the development of a Village of Val Marie Community Tourism Plan. Tourism Saskatchewan has also drafted a “Request for Proposals” in order to invite consultants to submit proposals on this project. Mr. Manz discussed the basic components of a Tourism Plan and the support that Tourism Saskatchewan is willing to offer to the community in the development of this plan. Delegates excused themselves at 3:05 p.m.</p>
2024-060	TOURISM SASK AGREEMENT	<p>REYNOLDS: That the Contribution Agreement between Tourism Saskatchewan and the Village of Val Marie (Tourism Saskatchewan File No. 2023-COMM-04) be approved and signed by the Administrator on behalf of Council. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2024-061	TOURISM PLAN RFP	<p>REYNOLDS: That the Tourism Development Committee be notified of the approval of the agreement Tourism Saskatchewan and the Request for Proposals (RFP) be referred to that committee for their input into developing timelines and other working parameters of the RFP. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>

2024-062	SEWER RATES	<p>A.DUCAN: That the administrator do further analysis of the impacts of changing the sewer rate bylaw so that properties are charged by the number of lines that pass an exterior wall that are connected to the sewer system and report back with the financial impacts and properties that would be affected.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2024-063	ADMIN REPORT	<p>DENNIEL: That the Administrator’s report be accepted as read.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2024-064	PAYMENTS	<p>REYNOLDS: That the following payments be approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inn. CU - Cheques 4239-4249 totaling \$37,493.54 • Inn. CU – CAFT Payment # 2024-0009 to 2024-0010 totaling \$387.19 • Inn. CU - Online Banking Payment #2024-0015 to 2024-0026 totaling \$2,723.03 • Inn. CU – Automatic Withdrawal Payment #2024-0002 to 2024-0003 totaling \$421.61 • Collabria Credit Card Payment # 2024-0006 to 2024-0010 totaling \$981.58 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Total Payments - \$42,006.95 <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2024-065	FIN STMTS	<p>REYNOLDS: That the February 2024 Statement of Financial Position, Balance Sheet, Sewer Utility Summary, Campground Summary, Innovation Bank Reconciliations, and Tax Enforcement Summary be accepted as presented.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2024-066	RESCIND PREVIOUS RES.	<p>A.DUCAN: That resolution 2024-031 be rescinded due to further consultations with the Heritage, Culture and Youth Elevator Committee; they are no longer requesting a committee name change.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2024-067	COMMITTEE REPORTS	<p>REYNOLDS: That the committee reports and minutes be accepted as presented.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>

- 2024-068 URA LANDFILL DECOMM. REYNOLDS: That Amendment No. 1 to the Ultimate Recipient Agreement regarding funding for the Village’s Landfill Decommissioning Project (Project No. 20200267) be noted as received, already being signed by the Mayor and Administrator resulting in a timeline extension to finish the project.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.
- 2024-069 LETTER TO RESIDENTS RE: BYLAW CHANGES DENNIEL: That the letter to residents drafted by the Administrator regarding recent Bylaw changes be tabled until the next meeting.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.
- 2024-070 BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION FORM REYNOLDS: That the building permit application form attached to these minutes be approved as the Village’s Building Permit Application.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.
- 2024-071 TSS PROJECTS WITH RM17 FACETTE: That the Village of Val Marie inquire if the R.M. of Val Marie is interested in collaborating with the Village on coordinating new Zoning Bylaws and Official Community Plans as well as the drafting of Asset Management Plans for both municipalities in a joint Targeted Sector Support Application.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.
- 2024-072 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT RFQ DENNIEL: That the “Request for Quote” for sidewalk replacement be approved.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.
- 2024-073 WSA – PERMIT TO OPERATE SEWAGE WORKS REYNOLDS: That permit no. 00050433-04-00 “Permit to Operate a Sewage Works” issued by the Water Security Agency be noted as received. That it also be noted no changes were made to the permit, this is only a renewal and will expire on April 1, 2029.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Facette left the meeting, time 4:30 p.m. Deputy Mayor John Reynolds assumed the position of meeting chair.

- 2024-074 MAINT. OPERATOR JOB DESC. DENNIEL: That the “Maintenance Operator” job description be updated to reflect a wage range of \$25-\$30 per hour.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: Absent
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.
- 2024-075 EXAM ROOM IN DR. OFFICE A. DUCAN: That Aline Laturus be permitted to rent one of the exam rooms in the “Doctors Office” at the Village Complex for storage on a month-to-month basis at a rate of \$100 per month.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: Absent
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Facette rejoined the meeting, time 4:50 p.m. and assumed the position of meeting chair.
- 2024-076 BYLAW 2024-05 A.DUCAN: That Bylaw 2024-05, A Bylaw to Repeal Previous Bylaws, be introduced and read for the first time.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously
- 2024-077 BYLAW 2024-05 DENNIEL: That Bylaw 2024-05, A Bylaw to Repeal Previous Bylaws, be now read for the second time.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously
- 2024-078 BYLAW 2024-05 REYNOLDS: That Bylaw 2024-05, A Bylaw to Repeal Previous Bylaws, be given three readings at this one meeting.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously
- 2024-079 BYLAW 2024-05 A.DUCAN: That Bylaw 2024-05, A Bylaw to Repeal Previous Bylaws, be read for the third time and adopted.
DENNIEL: For
A. DUCAN: For
M. DUCAN: Absent
FACETTE: For
REYNOLDS: For
Carried Unanimously

2024-080	MEETING DATE AND TIME CHANGES	REYNOLDS: That the April 17, 2024 regular meeting be held at 1:00 p.m. rather than 7:00 p.m.; and the May regular meeting be moved to May 23, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. due to the administrator attending the R.M.A.A. convention. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously
2024-081	COMMUN- ICATIONS	A.DUCAN: That the communications noted on the agenda be acknowledged as received, and filed as deemed appropriate. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2024-082	ADJOURN	REYNOLDS: That this meeting adjourns, time 5:41 p.m. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: Absent FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.