



Regular Council Meeting MINUTES

Wednesday, July 26th, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

Council Chambers, Village Office

#6 - 3rd Avenue W Empress, AB

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Empress was held in the Village Office in Empress on Wednesday, July 26th, 2023.

Mayor Arlen Johnston called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Arlen Johnston

Deputy Mayor Dawna Martin

Councillor Kelly Burgess

Chief Administrative Officer Christiaan Liebenberg

2. Adoption of Agenda

C112-07-26-2023 MOVED by Councillor Kelly Burgess

That the Council meeting agenda for July 26th, 2023, be adopted as amended, presented, and printed: Item 8.3 ATB Mush Account, Item 8.4 Bulk Water Price, CLOSED Session move to Item 8.5. CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

C113-07-26-2023 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dawna Martin

That Council approve the June 28th, 2023, Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented and printed. CARRIED

4. Delegations

None

5. Administration and Committee Reports

➤ Committee Reports

- ✓ Mayor
- ✓ Deputy Mayor
- ✓ Councillor

➤ Public Works Report by the Chief Administrative Officer.

➤ CAO Report by the Chief Administrative Officer.

C114-07-26-2023 MOVED by Councillor Kelly Burgess

That Council receive as information all verbal & written reports presented under Item 5.

CARRIED

- **Financial Report** June 30th, 2023, Cheque Listings by the Chief Administrative Officer.

C115-07-26-2023 MOVED by Mayor Arlen Johnston

That Council receive, accept, and approve the June 30th, 2023, financial report presented here as printed. CARRIED

6. Correspondence

C116-07-26-2023 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dawna Martin

That Council receive all correspondence presented here as information. CARRIED

7. Old Business

None

8. New Business

8.1 AUMA Conference Sept 27-29 - attendance and expense approval

C117-07-26-2023 MOVED by Mayor Arlen Johnston that Council receive, accept, and approve all expenses for attending the AUMA Fall Conference in Edmonton for all elected officials and the Chief Administrative Officer. CARRIED

8.2 Road Agreement Special Areas - review and sign

C118-07-26-2023 MOVED by Councillor Kelly Burgess that Council receive, accept, approve, and authorize the mayor sign the private road (Railway Avenue, 6th Avenue, access to Boat Launch grading and snowplow) agreement with the Special Areas effective until December 31st, 2023. CARRIED

8.3 ATB 6400 account to Mush Savings Account

C119-07-26-2023 MOVED by Mayor Arlen Johnston that Council approve to change the product type on the Business Savings Account changing the account ending in 6400 to be the same as the other savings accounts - MUSH Savings Account. CARRIED

8.4 Bulk Water Sale Price

C120-07-26-2023 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dawna Martin that Council approve a bulk water sales price of \$5.00 per cubic metre. CARRIED

8.5 CLOSED SESSION: Land & Real Estate (Old Hospital, 423 and 427 Centre Street)

C121-07-26-2023 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dawna Martin

That Council move into closed session (*Economic and other interests as per Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Part 1, Division 2, Section 27, and Employment Matters as per Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act I, Part 1, Division 2, Section 17*) at 7:13pm. CARRIED

C122-07-26-2023 MOVED by Mayor Arlen Johnston

That Council move out of closed session at 8:23pm. CARRIED

C123-07-26-2023 MOVED by Councillor Kelly Burgess

That Council accept the full offer of \$4,000 non-refundable payment for land known as 423 Centre Street Lot 17-18 Block 13 Plan 5043AV; with the completion of the purchase documents in the Village office and payment and closing documents due within 15 days and if not received

the price is subject to change; no access to the site will be allowed until closing. The purchase is AS IS, WHERE IS, including all faults and limitations. Bank draft or e-transfer only. CARRIED

C124-07-26-2023 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dawna Martin

That Council will accept a full offer of \$4,000 non-refundable payment for land known as 427 Centre Street Lot 19-20 Block 13 and Plan 5043AV, with the completion of the purchase documents in the Village office and payment and closing documents due within 15 days and if not received the price is subject to change; no access to the site will be allowed until closing. The purchase is AS IS, WHERE IS, including all faults and limitations. Bank draft or e-transfer only. CARRIED

C125-07-26-2023 MOVED by Mayor Arlen Johnston

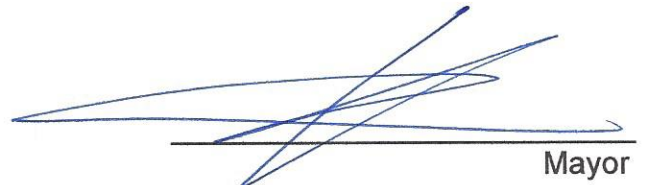
That Council may accept a full offer of \$45,000 non-refundable payment only for land known as the "Original Hospital" Lot 47 Block 2 and Plan 910147, with the completion of the purchase documents in the Village office and payment and closing documents due within 15 days and if not received the price is subject to change; no access to the site will be allowed until closing. The purchase is AS IS, WHERE IS, including all faults and limitations (including asbestos abatement requirement). Bank draft or e-transfer only. CARRIED

C126-07-26-2023 MOVED by Mayor Arlen Johnston

That Council approve advisory legal costs pursuant to The Village of Empress Gravel Pit. CARRIED

9. Next Regular Meeting Date - Wednesday, September 20th, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

10. Adjournment at 8:40 p.m.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer