

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF VILNA
 IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
 OF THE VILLAGE OF VILNA MUNICIPAL OFFICE
 5135 – 50TH STREET, VILNA AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Leroy Kuyk
 Deputy Mayor Thompson
 Councillor Paul Miranda (ZOOM)
 Earla Wagar, CAO

ABSENT:

GALLERY: Teacum Whitford & Phoenix Jackson
Herman Petersen

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kuyk called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. AGENDA:

RES: 050-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the Agenda be accepted presented.

CARRIED

<p>1. AGENDA Additions/Changes</p> <p>2. DELEGATION a. Teacum Whitford and Phoenix Jackson b. Herman Petersen</p> <p>3. MINUTES a. Regular Council May 11th, 2022 b. Regular Council May 12th, 2022</p> <p>4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</p> <p>5. REPORTS a. Mayor b. Deputy Mayor c. Councillor Report d. Administration Report</p> <p>6. BUSINESS: a. Keller Yurdiga Snow Removal b. Regional Animal Bylaw Enforcement c. Power Plus Buying Group d. Agricultural Society donation request e. Summer Schedule f. Support Centre g. Skateboard Park</p> <p>7. BYLAWS AND POLICIES a. 581-22 Bylaw to Divide Non Residential Assessments b. 582-22 Amended TAX LEVY BYLAW c. Amend Land Use Bylaw – Rezone</p> <p>8. FINANCIAL REPORT a. Accounts paid –May 1 – 31, 2022 \$56,344.23 i. A/P May 1 – 30, 2022 (14103-14119) \$11,838.98 ii. EFT May 1 – 30, 2022 (2022035 - 2022048) \$28,609.41 iii. EFT Payroll May, 2022 \$15,895.84</p> <p>9. ADJOURNMENT</p>

2. DELEGATIONS:

- a) Mayor Kuyk invited the gallery members to address Council. They spoke about the graffiti blitz that took place on Saturday, June 28th. The young man admitted to Council that he was one of the two people who defaced buildings and structures throughout the

Village. He further acknowledged that he has spent the past weekend cleaning and removing the graffiti.

Mayor Kunyk thanked them for coming forward and acknowledging their actions and further thanked the young man for taking responsibility and cleaning up the damage.

- b) Mayor Kunyk asked Mr. Petersen to present Council with his concerns. A brief discussion followed regarding a property located on 52nd Avenue.

2. MINUTES

a) May 11, 2022

RES: 050-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk that the Minutes of the May 11, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council be approved as presented.

CARRIED

b) May 12, 2022

RES: 050-22 Moved by Councillor Miranda that the Minutes of the May 12, 2022 Special Meeting of Council be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

4. REPORTS

a) Mayor Kunyk

Citizens On Patrol – May 12, 2022

- Smoky Lake County extended deadline for hiring a Peace Officer;
- COPs will have a presence at the Vilna Centennial with a silent auction and BBQ and snacks, etc.;
- Reviewed patrolling protocol and commitment to increase patrols;
- Very poor response for Rural Crime Watch events;
- Fire Department getting an increase in calls regarding vandalism of hay bales.
- RCMP would like to encourage more security cameras to catch license plates of vehicles entering and leaving the municipalities. They also encourage more Neighbourhood Watch participation.

Evergreen Regional Waste Commission – May 19, 2022

- Purchasing new equipment
- New temporary staff being hired
- Staff have toured local landfills.

Vilna & District Municipal Library – May 24, 2022

- Ordering more “kids” material and less adult material for inventory;
- Strong involvement in the Town-wide Garage Sale to sell redundant or outdated inventory;
- Will have a float in the Boomtown Days Parade
- Starting a new reading program at Whitefish Lake for all ages, in partnership with the school.

Dr. Recruitment & Retention – May 25, 2022

- Smoky Lake Lab is also experiencing reduced hours;
- Strong discussion around who is responsible for recruiting, interviewing potential hires. (Alberta Health Services).
- Most new hires are reluctant to participate in hospital or ER care, preferring their private clinics. Any new doctors would need to partner with the Raubenheimer Clinic, so they can be on site for ER services.

Vilna Centennial – June 1 & 13, 2022

- Schedule of events nearly complete. Merchandise samples being ordered.
- Fire Department will have a Car Accident Extraction demonstration and a hose laying competition.
- School will have a Time Capsule.
- Speeches will be Saturday afternoon at the Cultural Centre.

Highway 28/63 Water Commission - June 8, 2022

- Warranty Work
- New generator for Warspite Booster Station

b) Deputy Mayor Thomlinson**Smoky Lake Foundation – May 20, 25, June 15, 2022**

- Still working on the CAO Evaluation
- Discussed the amendments in the New Continuing Care Act (Bill 11)
- Preparing for Union Negotiations
- Vilna Lodge will be holding their “Christmas in July” celebration.

MuniCorr – June 13, 2022

- Proposed a Trail Tour for Board Members
- Working on a Concept Design and lease of the Windsor Salt Mine for a tourism site.

Ukrainian Twinning Committee – June 14, 2022

- 2 families from Ukraine have arrived in Smoky Lake
- The Ribbon Fund Raising program collected \$3,780.00 which has been sent to Kosiv to be used to provide military clothing and gear.
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c) Councillor Miranda**Regional Community Development Committee – May 19, 2022**

- The EV program is moving ahead at Smoky Lake and potentially Waskatenau, while Vilna has opted to delay the initiative to look at other options that won't be a cost to the municipality.
- The CEDO Performance Evaluation has been completed and an interim agreement has been reach for the next 18 months.

d) Administration Report

BALANCE Current Taxes June 14, 2022	(\$398,191.14)
ARREARS	\$79,941.33
<u>TOTAL TAXES OWING</u>	<u>\$478,132.47</u>
<u>Interest & Penalties</u>	
Less Village property (Tax Recovery)	(\$24,839.99)
	<u>\$453,292.48</u>

UTILITIES

- Only 15 meters left to install.
- The Sani-Dump has been repaired. A part of someone's trailer drain got stuck. We tried hydrvac'ing but it didn't work, so we had Danyluk Landscaping dig and repair. Unfortunately, we haven't had time to compact and re-gravel so with all this rain, it's not accessible. The water needs to get turned on there as well.
- We would like to be able to start up the bulk water system, but we've had a price quote of \$12,000.00 to set up the software. The price is far better than the numbers we were looking at before, but still high.

CENTENIAL PARK

- Public Works has had a contractor go through the park and clear and chip the underbrush. The trails need to be marked and then we can get some surfaces developed.

BUDGET, ASSESSMENTS AND TAXES

- I took advantage of an amendment to the Municipal Government Act to develop a second category of non-residential properties. Unfortunately, I didn't get the accompanying bylaw passed. I will be asking you to pass this bylaw as well as passing an amended tax bylaw. The numbers don't change, it just has some wording changes.

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

- I am planning the tax sale for Tuesday, September 13th. I require between 40 and 90 days to advertise in the Alberta Gazette. We are supposed to also advertise for two consecutive weeks in our local newspaper. I'm not sure how that's going to happen.
- I have been talking to the Redwater Review and asking that they re-consider providing the newspaper on a regular basis.

BYLAW CONCERNS

- I have a somewhat positive response to the dog issues in the Village. There are far fewer dogs running at large than there had been. Since the notices were sent out, I have had 16 dogs registered in the Village. There are still at least that many more out there, but people are being more aware.
- At the last Administrators meeting, the possibility of contracting the County Bylaw Officer to do our animal control was discussed. The resolve was to take

the item to the Regional Collaborate Committee to be discussed. A meeting date is being considered in September.

- I will be enforcing the Community Standards Bylaw in the next few weeks, encouraging people to clean their yards and help beautify the Village.
- The garbage container program was very successful. The only frustration I had was the graffiti. Fortunately, the paint used on them was washable.
- We have been asked to do that again next year.

WATER RESERVOIR

- No word on the grant yet.
- The tests still show that the water quality is still okay.

PUBLIC WORKS

- We are looking for a flail mower or a rough cut mower to cut the west end of the trail and clean the grass growing in the ditches. They are difficult to find. We found a couple flail mowers but they were a little too costly. We'll keep looking.

RES: 050-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the Reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS

a) Keller Yurdiga Snow Removal

RES: 050-22 Moved by Councillor Miranda that the \$50.00 charge which was paid by Linda Yurdiga and Hank Keller for snow removal after indicating that when the neighbours driveway was cleared through the Seniors Snow Removal Program, some of the snow got banked on their property, causing flooding to their property when the snow melted, be compensated to them.

CARRIED

b) Regional Bylaw Enforcement

RES: 050-22 Moved by Councillor Miranda that the potential for sharing the Smoky Lake Animal Control Officer be considered as a viable option to having the responsibility delegated to the CAO or having an independent contract.

CARRIED

c) Alberta Municipalities Electrical Power Contract

RES: 050-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk that the Village of Vilna agree to enter into a 10 year agreement with Alberta Municipalities to purchase power through their Power+ program which will have power purchased direct form the producers and include an option to purchase some of the electricity from a renewable source.

CARRIED

d) Vilna & District Agricultural Society – Request for Donation

RES: 050-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk that Administration send a letter of regret to the Vilna & District Agricultural Society, indicating that there has been no donation funding budgeted in 2022, but the Council will support and encourage the cooperation of the community in any fundraising projects proposed by the Ag. Society for the maintenance of the roof of the Cultural Centre.

CARRIED

e) Drug & Alcohol Rehabilitation and Counselling Centre

RES: 050-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the potential for dependency support and mental health support be further investigated.

CARRIED**f) Request for Skateboard Park**

RES: 050-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that Administration continue to look into the option of developing a skateboard park in the Village, including location, pricing and insurance.

CARRIED**g) Summer Meeting Schedule**

RES: 050-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk that the next Regular Council Meeting shall be scheduled for July 27th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. with the understanding that if any critical issues come up during the summer, that a Special Meeting shall be called to deal with the concerns.

CARRIED**6. BYLAWS AND POLICIES****a) Bylaw 581-22 Bylaw to Divide Non-Residential Assessments**

RES: 050-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that first reading be given to Bylaw #581-22 the 2022, the Bylaw to divide non-residential assessments.

CARRIED

RES: 050-22 Moved by Councillor Miranda that second reading be given to Bylaw #581-22 the 2022, the Bylaw to divide non-residential assessments.

CARRIED

RES: 050-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk that third and final reading be given Unanimous Consent to Bylaw #581-22 the 2022, the Bylaw to divide non-residential assessments.

CARRIED**b) Bylaw 582-22 Amended Tax Levy Bylaw**

RES: 050-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk that first reading be given to Bylaw #582-22 Amended 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw

CARRIED

RES: 050-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that second reading be given to Bylaw #582-22, Amended 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw.

CARRIED

RES: 050-22 Moved by Councillor Miranda that third and final reading be given Unanimous Consent to Bylaw #582-22 Amended 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw.

CARRIED**c) Amendment to Land Use Bylaw - deferred.****7. FINANCIAL REPORT**

a. Accounts paid -May 1 - 31, 2022	\$56,344.23
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ii. EFT May 1 – 30, 2022 (2022035 - 2022048)	\$28,609.41
iii. EFT Payroll May, 2022	\$15,895.84
b. Bank Reconciliation	
GL Bank Opening Balance April 1, 2022	\$56,402.60
Revenues	\$59,322.53
Expenditures	(\$42,469.80)
Payroll	(\$15,752.26)
GL Closing Balance as of April 31, 2022	\$57,503.77

RES: 065-22 Moved by Councillor Miranda that the Financial Reports, as presented, be accepted for information.

CARRIED

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

9. **MEETING SCHEDULE**

- a. June 13, 2022 – 5:00 p.m. – Centennial Meeting
Highway 28/63 Bylaw Committee – 9:00 a.m. ZOOM
- b. June 14, 2022 – 10:00 Ukrainian Twinning
Smoky Lake Foundation – 9:00 – ZOOM option
- c. June 15, 2022 – Council 5:30
- d. June 16, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. Evergreen Waste Management
- e. June 21, 2022 – Regional Fire – 10:00 (results of study)
- f. June 21, 2022 – 1:00 Smoky Lake Foundation ZOOM
- g. June 27, 2022 – HUB AGM
- h. June 28, 2022 – Joint Municipalities – ZOOM – 5:00
- i. June 29, 2022 – RCDC – 10:00 In-person

RES: 066-22 Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the meeting schedule, as presented, be accepted for information.

CARRIED

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

ES. 068-22 Moved by Mayor Kunyk the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 15, 2022 be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

CARRIED

Leroy Kunyk

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Earla Wagar, CAO