

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF VILNA**  
**IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022, IN THE COUNCIL**  
**CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OF VILNA MUNICIPAL OFFICE**  
**5135 – 50<sup>TH</sup> STREET, VILNA AT 5:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Leroy Kunyk  
 Deputy Mayor Thompson  
 Councillor Paul Miranda  
 Earla Wagar, CAO

**ABSENT:**

**GALLERY:** Ray Copeland

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Kunyk called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

**1. AGENDA:**

**RES: 084-22** Moved by Councillor Miranda that the Agenda be accepted presented.

**CARRIED**

<p><b>1. AGENDA</b>          Additions/Changes</p> <p><b>2. DELEGATION</b></p> <p><b>3. MINUTES</b>          a. September 14, 2022</p> <p><b>4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>5. REPORTS</b>          a. Mayor          b. Deputy Mayor          c. Councillor Report          d. Administration Report</p> <p><b>6. BUSINESS:</b>          a. Tax Sale of September 20, 2022          b. 2022 Halloween          c. 2022 – 2023 ACP Grant Motions          d. NE MuniCorr Meeting          e. Meeting with Aspen View School Board          f. Inter-municipal Development Plan Agreement          g. Employee Benefit Program</p> <p><b>7. BYLAWS AND POLICIES</b></p> <p><b>8. FINANCIAL REPORT</b>          a. <b>Accounts paid Sept 1 - 30, 2022</b> <span style="float:right"><b>\$85,343.10</b></span>              i. <b>A/P Sept 1-30, 2022</b> (14158-14170) <span style="float:right">\$54,495.04</span>              ii. <b>EFT Sept 1-30, 2022</b> (2022076-2022083) <span style="float:right">\$17,108.45</span>              iii. <b>EFT Payroll September, 2022</b> <span style="float:right">\$13,739.61</span></p> <p><b>9. ADJOURNMENT</b></p>
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**2. DELEGATIONS:****3. MINUTES****a) September 14, 2022**

**RES: 085-22** Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the Minutes of the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES****5. REPORTS****a) Mayor Kunyk****Evergreen Regional Waste Commission – September 15, 2022**

- Regular Board Meeting

**Inter Municipal Collaboration Committee – September 19, 2022**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting for this committee
- Heritage Board was recently recognized.
- Committee established by Province to force cooperation between municipalities. (Example, discovery that county residents are on Waskatenau services).
- Discussion on protocols to use school grounds, playgrounds, etc.
- Waskatenau approved additional funding for Heritage Board.
- Regional Dog Control Bylaw being crafted.

**Vilna/Bellis Citizens on Patrol – September 21, 2022**

- New signs are posted throughout the patrol area.
- ACOPA AGM in near future. 10 people attended.
- Co-Application with Rural Crime Watch for supper/education event for new start up branches.

**Vilna & District Library Board September 22, 2022**

- Author's visit was highly successful, many books were sold.
- Application for upgraded doors for enhanced staff and patron safety, ability to conduct lockdowns.
- Haunted House Fundraiser to be held on October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Removal of Board Members for attendance Bylaw violations. New applications for replacement have been received.

**Highway 28/63 Water Commission August 17, 2022**

- Discussion of bylaw revisions, expansion of water services discussed.

**b) Deputy Mayor Thomlinson**

- Attended the Rumble Alberta Conference and accepted the "Alberta's Best Welcoming Community" award on behalf of the Village.
- Attended Metis Crossing Day (September 24, 2022) where a film & lodge by MCSnet was shared.
- Attended the Metis Crossing Grand Opening & Every Child Matters recognition. (September 30, 2022)

**Smoky Lake Foundation**

- Union Negotiations have been delayed due to ongoing COVID.

c) **Councillor Miranda**

- Attended Agricultural Society meeting
- Attended HUB

d) **Administration Report**

<b>BALANCE Current Taxes June 14, 2022</b>	\$81,165.93
<b>ARREARS</b>	\$92,270.78
<b><u>TOTAL TAXES OWING</u></b>	<u>\$173,436.71</u>
<b><u>Interest &amp; Penalties</u></b>	<u>36,733.22</u>
Less Village property (Tax Recovery)	(\$24,839.99)
	<b>\$185,329.94</b>

**TAX SALE**

- The tax sale was uneventful with no properties sold. There is interest, but not for the assessed values. I think we could sell them for a reasonable price, but in order to make it fair, I would recommend that the properties be listed in the next newsletter with an indication of what the Village needs to get, and that sealed bids be submitted to be reviewed at the next Council meeting.

**VILNA COMMUNITY BUS**

- Insurance is the least of our concerns regarding the bus. The County looked at it and indicated that the frame was badly rusted and they didn't think it would pass the Alberta Transportation Licensing test. Malcolm has taken it to a fellow outside of Smoky Lake for a second opinion, but he (Malcolm) says it doesn't look good.

**BYLAW CONCERNS**

- At the Intermunicipal Collaboration Committee meeting, the possibility of contracting the County Bylaw Officer was discussed. The County was going to look at the numbers to see what the costs would be.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

- The sewer line to the bottle depot has been dug up and repaired. They found that the line had collapsed which was causing the blockage.

**INTERIM AUDIT**

- The auditors will be here during the last week of October to do the interim audit. By doing an interim the final audit is much faster.

**WATER RESERVOIR**

- For your information .... In case you get some calls. We have been having trouble keeping the chlorine levels up in the water reservoir, so we had Win Tun from Alberta Environment come out and do some testing. He has made some recommendations and we will be adding

some chlorine to bring the levels back up. The process will take place over night so it shouldn't create any issues. People may notice an increase in the chlorine odor, but it will dissipate over the day.

**RES: 086-22** Moved by Councillor Miranda that the Reports be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

## **6. BUSINESS**

### **a) Tax Sale September 20, 2022**

**RES: 087-22** Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the properties that had been offered for sale at the Tax Recovery Auction be offered for sale by sealed tender, with the tenders to be opened at the Regular Council Meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, furthermore, should any of the properties remain unsold, that Council shall consider any fair offer.

**CARRIED**

### **b) 2022 Halloween**

**RES: 087a-22** Moved by Mayor Kunyk that Trick or Treating through out the Village on Halloween evening be limited to the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and those who do not feel comfortable handing out treats may keep their front lights off and donate treats to the Fire Department who will be giving out treats on the Village's behalf.

**CARRIED**

### **c) Alberta Community Partnership Grants for 2023**

**RES: 087b-22** Moved by Mayor Kunyk that the Village of Vilna, in partnership with Smoky Lake County, Town of Smoky Lake and the Village of Waskatenau, participate in the application of the 2022-2023 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant for the Project Titled:

"Regional Environmental and Agricultural Sensitivity Study" under the "Intermunicipal Collaboration" (IC) Component Grant for the total project cost in the amount of \$200,000.00; and approve the Smoky Lake County to be the Managing Partner under the said application; and further agree to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

**CARRIED**

**RES: 087c-22** Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that Village of Vilna in partnership with the Smoky Lake County, Town of Smoky Lake and the Village of Waskatenau participate in the application of the 2022-2023 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant for the Project Titled:

"Regional Indigenous Framework" under the "Intermunicipal Collaboration" (IC) Component Grant for the total project cost in the amount of \$200,000.00; and approve the Village of Vilna to be the Managing Partner under the said application; and further agree to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

**CARRIED**

**RES: 087d-22** Moved by Mayor Kunyk that Village of Vilna in partnership with Smoky Lake County, the Town of Smoky Lake and the Village of Waskatenau participate in the

application of the 2022-2023 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant for the Project Titled:

“Regional Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Service Delivery Infrastructure” under the “Intermunicipal Collaboration” (IC) Component Grant for the total project cost in the amount of \$200,000.00; and approve the Town of Smoky Lake to be the Managing Partner under the said application; and further agree to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

**CARRIED**

**d) Meeting with NE MuniCorr Ltd.**

**RES: 088-22** Moved by Councillor Miranda that a meeting be scheduled with NE MuniCorr Ltd. on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**e) Meeting with Aspen View School Board**

**RES: 089-22** Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson a meeting be scheduled with Aspen View School Board on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**f) Inter Municipal Development Plan**

**RES: 090-22** Moved by Councillor Miranda that in consideration that the Inter Municipal Development Plan Agreement with Smoky Lake County will lapse in 2022, the Village of Vilna wishes to adopt a new Intermunicipal Development Plan with Smoky Lake County and agree to meet with the County Council at the most agreeable date.

**CARRIED**

**g) Group Health Benefits**

Administration provided draft proposals to Council of Group Health Benefits to be offered to Staff and Council.

**h) Village Christmas Celebration**

**RES: 091-22** Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that Council consider an outdoor celebration to kick off the Christmas season and the concept be tabled to the next meeting.

**CARRIED**

**7. BYLAWS AND POLICIES**

**8. FINANCIAL REPORT**

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**RES: 092-22** Moved by Deputy Mayor Thompson that the Financial Reports, as presented for September, 2022, be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

- a. **MEETING** October 12, 2022 – Regular Council – 5:30 p.m.
  - b. October 13, 2022 – 13 Ways Presentation – 9:00 a.m. – ZOOM
  - c. October 14, 2022 – Regional Mayor, Reeves and Indigenous Leaders – LLB – 10:00 a.m.
  - d. October 17, 2022 – Ukrainian Twinning – 10:00 a.m.
  - e. *October 19, 2022 – Annual Organizational Meeting – 5:30 p.m. ??*
  - f. October 20, 2022 – Evergreen Regional Waste – 10:00 a.m.
  - g. October 31, 2022 – Smoky Lake Foundation – 9:00 a.m. – ZOOM
  - h. October 31, 2022 – RCDC – 10:00 ZOOM
  - i. November 9, 2022 – Regular Council
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**RES: 093-22** Moved by Councillor Deputy Mayor Thompson that the meeting schedule, as presented, be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

**RES. 094-22** Moved by Mayor Kunyk that the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 12, 2022 be adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Leroy Kunyk

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Earla Wagar, CAO