

Municipality of Lakeland Ridges
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2023

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Tanya Cloutier
Councillor Ross Stairs
Councillor Perry Bull
Councillor Linda Porter
Councillor Patti Budd
Councillor Randy Stairs
Councillor Chris Yerxa
Councillor Michael Furrow
Councillor Mark Grant

ABSENT:

IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Patterson – CAO/Clerk
Lana Sharpe – Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cloutier called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: To approve the February 13, 2023 regular meeting agenda. Moved by Councillor Furrow and seconded by Councillor Yerxa.

Motion carried #16-2023

PRESENTATIONS:

None

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION:

Moved by Councillor Ross Stairs and seconded by Councillor Yerxa to approve the minutes as distributed.

Motion carried: #17-2023

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

As the only councillor interested in the Deputy Mayor position, Ross Stairs was appointed.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

MOTION: Moved by Deputy Mayor Stairs and seconded by Councillor Yerxa to forward the \$5,000 budgeted recreation grant to the Debec Recreation Committee in full.

Motion carried: #18-2023

Payment for Ice Rescue Training.

Council would like more information why there was such a huge increase. Request to see original quote. Councillor Stairs will speak to Fire Dept. Chiefs to explain that expenses need to be approved by council before money is spent.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Stairs and seconded by Councillor Furrow to pay the total invoice with the conditions put forth in an email from Debec's Deputy Fire Chief, Chris Foster.

Motion carried: #19-2023

CORRESPONDENCE:

Notice for "In Person" orientation by ELG on March 31, 2023

NEW BUSINESS:

Review By-Law #2 and sign agreement. All councillor members signed except Councillor Stairs.

CAO REPORT:

- explained CAO position
- Lana on vacation from Feb. 22 – March 7
- requested maps from ELG
- reminder of CVFF meeting
- minimum wage increase to \$14.75 in April
- applications submitted with SEED & CSJ's for summer students
- RSC Tourism Board held meeting on Feb. 9

COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

Perry: Waste & Recycling

- Cut back on man hours at the disposal site for the Winter months
- fence was cut. Have asked for a quote for repairs
- would like ward maps
- working on setting up committee to work on future contracts, etc.

Ross: Workforce & Personnel

-held meeting to review proposed policies. Will address them at the next meeting.

Patti: Family & Community

-just doing ground work to set up committee

-talks about starting community gardens

Linda: Tourism

-working on gathering information for sharing on website

-doesn't plan to spend money the first year

-working on ideas for promoting our area

Randy: Protective Services

-has been in talks with committee working on future of the four departments

-planned meeting with his committee on March 15th

-gave council a heads up that they will need to start thinking about new trucks for Canterbury & Meductic

Chris: Transportation

-working on getting committee set up. Still looking for a few members

Mark: Community Development

-working on setting up committee. Still looking for a few members

Mike: Recreation

-working on setting up committee. Still looking for a few member

MAYORS REPORT:

-attended RSC board meeting and was elected secretary

-was voted in as zone rep for UMN

-will be attending UMN orientation conference Feb. 11 & 12

OLD BUSINESS:

a) Third and final reading of By-law No. 1.1 to amend By-law No. 1

MOTION: moved by Councillor Yerxa and seconded by Councillor Bull to adopt By-law No. 1.1 to amend By-law No.1

Motion carried. #20-2023

b) First and Second Reading of By-law #3 with amendments

c) Escribe – was moved to Deputy Mayor Stairs portfolio for review.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 9:11pm

Mayor

CAO/Clerk