

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEVILLE
HELD IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE ON February 10th, 2025**

PRESENT: Mayor Nora McLearn, Councillor Jennifer Cote, Councillor Mary Ferris,
Administrator Sandra Krushelniski, Assistant Administrator Wyatt Courtney

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McLearn called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:58 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

23/25 *Adoption of Agenda*

Cote: That the Agenda be adopted with additions.

CARRIED

PRESENTATION

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

24/25 *Minutes*

Cote: That the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 13th, 2025 be approved.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

25/25 *Canada Post Industrial Inquiry Commission*

Cote: Whereas the Canada Industrial Relations Board, as instructed by the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, ordered the end to the postal strike and the resumption of mail service at Canada Post on December 17, 2024, under Section 107 of the Canada Labour Code.

Whereas the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, created an Industrial Inquiry Commission under Section 108 of Canada Labour Code, led by William Kaplan, that will work with the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) and Canada Post to examine the future of the public post office, including possible changes to the Canadian Postal Service Charter.

Whereas Canada Post is, first and foremost, a public service.

Whereas the Commission has been tasked with reviewing the obstacles to negotiated collective agreements between CUPW and Canada Post, the financial situation of Canada Post, Canada Post's expressed need to diversify and/or alter its delivery models in the face of current business demands, the viability of the business as it is currently configured, CUPW's negotiated commitments to job security, full-time employment, and the need to protect the health and safety of workers.

Whereas the Commission only has until May 15, 2025, to submit its final report to the government and make recommendations about the future structure of Canada Post.

Whereas while there is room for written input, the Commission process is not widely publicized, nor equivalent to a full and thorough public service review of Canada Post's mandate allowing for all stakeholder input, as has been undertaken by previous governments.

Whereas it will be crucial for the Commission to hear our views on key issues, including maintaining Canada Post as a public service, the importance of maintaining the moratorium on post office closures, improving the Canadian Postal Service Charter, home mail delivery, parcel delivery, keeping daily delivery, adding postal banking, greening Canada Post, EV charging stations, food delivery, improving delivery to rural, remote and Indigenous communities, and developing services to assist people with disabilities and help older Canadians to remain in their homes for as long as possible – and at the same time, helping to ensure Canada Post's financial self-sustainability.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Village of Neville provide input to the Commission in the form of a written submission.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Village of Neville will write the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, and the Federal Minister of Public Services and Procurement of Canada, Jean-Yves Duclos, who is responsible for Canada Post, to demand that no changes be made to the Canada Post Corporation Act, Canada Post's mandate or the Canadian Postal Service Charter without a full, thorough, public review of Canada Post, including public hearings, with all key stakeholders, in every region of Canada.

CARRIED

26/25 *Correspondence*

Ferris: That the following correspondence having been read, be accepted as information and filed:

FCM
SUMA
SWMGC
Ministry of Parks, Culture, and Sport
RM of Lac Pelletier No. 107
RM of Whiska Creek No. 106
SaskPower and SaskEnergy
Parks and Rec
Ponteix & Districts Road Ambulance Non Profit Corp
SPSA
CUPW
SUMAssure
SAMA
Notukeu BoR
Chinook Regional Library
Notice Nature
StatsCan

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL MATTERS

27/25 *Statement of Village Financial Activity*

Cote: That the Village Statement of Financial Activity for the month of January 2025 be acknowledged and filed.

CARRIED

28/25 *Village Bank and Credit Card Reconciliations*

Ferris: That the Village bank reconciliations for the month of January 2025 be acknowledged and filed.

CARRIED

29/25 *Statement of Fire Department Financial Activity*

Cote: That the Fire Department Statement of Financial Activity for the month of January 2025 be acknowledged and filed.

CARRIED

30/25 *Fire Department Bank Reconciliation*

Ferris: That the Fire Department bank reconciliation for the month of January 2025 be acknowledged and filed.

CARRIED

31/25 *List of Accounts for Approval*

Cote: That the expenses contained on the List of Accounts for Approval are approved.

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

Council Monthly Reports

No reports.

32/25 *Administrator Monthly Report*

Ferris: That council accepts the verbal Administrator Monthly Report.

CARRIED

Tax Enforcement

Updated Council on progress of collection of accounts in arrears.

33/25 *Fire Department Report*

McLearn: That council accepts the verbal Fire Department Report.

CARRIED

34/25 *Lagoon Report*

Cote: That Council approves the Lagoon reports for February 2025.

CARRIED

CCBF: LED Upgrades for Community Centre, Drop-in Centre, Village office, and Fire Hall

Advised Council that we are coordinating with our maintenance contractor on the installation of new LED bulbs for the community centre, Drop-in Centre, and Municipal Office.

Update Village Letterhead

Advised Council that this is still in progress.

Municipal Business Cards

Advised Council that this is still in progress.

Sale of Cultivator/Lawn Sweep/ Jacobsen Mower

Advised Council that this is still in progress.

Tree Shredder

Advised Council that this is still in progress.

Tractor Issues

Advised Council that the tractor is expected to be completed the week of February 16-22.

35/25 *Letter from Cemetery Volunteers Regarding Cemetery Bylaw*

Cote: That Council directs the Assistant Administrator to write a letter in response to the Cemetery volunteers' inquiries.

CARRIED

36/25 *Weekend Community Town Hall*

Cote: That Council directs the Assistant Administrator to make arrangements for a Community Town Hall style meeting on April 12th at 6pm at the Community Centre Banquet Room.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

37/24 *SUMA Convention 2025*

Cote: Council directs the Assistant Administrator to register two people for the SUMA Convention, to be held April 13th to 16th, inclusive in Saskatoon. Further, Council directs the Assistant Administrator to book two hotel rooms for the nights of April 13th to 15th, 2025. Mileage to be reimbursed as per motion 301/24 and meals to be reimbursed as per motion 312/24.

CARRIED

38/24 *RMAA 2025 Spring Workshop*

Cote: That Council directs the Assistant Administrator to register one for the UMAAS/RMAA Spring Workshop at a cost of \$100.

CARRIED

Website Hosting Cost Increase

Advised Council of the increase in cost of the hosting for the Village website from \$75.60 (USD) plus tax per year to \$149.60 (USD) per year.

SAMA Levy

Advised Council that this year's SAMA levy is \$2000.

Waste/Recycling Contract Rate Increase

Advised Council that our contract with Triways Disposal Services for waste and recycling has increased from \$1706.65 per month (including tax) to 1809.09 per month (including tax).

39/25 *Webinars, Meetings, and Training*

Ferris: That Council directs the Assistant Administrator to register for the SUMA Virtual Summit at a cost of \$40 + GST and PST.

CARRIED

40/25 *Xerox Removal Fee*

Ferris: That Council directs the Assistant Administrator to pay the Xerox removal Fee of \$350.

CARRIED

Dead Deer Found Within the Village

Advised Council of multiple dead deer found within the Village, and that the Conservation Office advised that the carcasses be disposed of in an area away from human habitation to allow the carcasses to be consumed by local wildlife.

41/25 *Saskatchewan Community Grant Program*

Cote: That Council approves an allocated population amount of 88 persons for the 2026 Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant Program.

CARRIED

42/25 *Transfer of Internal Loan from Capital Account to Operating Account*

Ferris: That Council approves the internal loans from capital to operating made during 2024.

CARRIED

43/25 *Transfer of CCBF Funds from Capital Account to Operating Account*

Cote: That Council approves the transfer of CCBF funds from capital to operating to pay for first installment of Munisoft purchase.

CARRIED

44/25 *Heated Gloves for Maintenance Worker*

McLearn: That Council approves the purchase of heated gloves at a cost of no more than \$100.

CARRIED

45/25 *Scrolling LED Sign for Municipal Office*

Ferris: That Council approves the purchase of a programmable Scrolling LED sign for the Municipal Office at a cost of no more than \$200.

CARRIED

46/25 *Administrator Presentation of Bond to the Mayor*

Cote: That Council was presented with the Administrative Bond as part of the 2025 Insurance Policy.

CARRIED

47/25 *Budget Meeting and Fire AGM*

Ferris: That Council sets the 2025 Fire annual general meeting for April 22nd at 6pm. Further, Council sets the 2025 Budget meeting for April 22nd at 7pm, following Fire AGM.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ACCOUNTS

No Additional Accounts.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor McLearn declared the meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Mayor

Administrator