

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR THE  
**Resort Village of Chitek Lake**  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 219 PINE STREET ON July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

**PRESENT:** Mayor Sandra Svoboda, Councilor Robert Fraser, Councilor Leona Paulton, Councilor John Vandale

**ABSENT:** Jack Mochoruk

**STAFF:** Chief Administrative Officer Tara Westmacott

**GALLERY:** Annette P., David W., Kathy N., Sheri V.

**Mayor Sandra Svoboda CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:02 PM**

**715/2023**      **MOVED BY: L. Paulton**  
                  **SECONDED: R. Fraser**  
                  THAT the Agenda is adopted as presented, with the exception of RCMP not in attendance.

**CARRIED**

**716/2023**      **MOVED BY: J. Vandale**  
                  **SECONDED: R. Fraser**  
                  THAT the minutes of the regular meeting June 15, 2023 are adopted as read.

**CARRIED**

**717/2023**      **MOVED BY: J. Vandale**  
                  **SECONDED: L. Paulton**  
                  THAT the list of payments be approved as presented.  
                  Main Acct CK# 9214 - #9232, Online payment #20230620-02 - #20230712-16  
                  (\$143,481.31)  
                  Hall Acct CK#2226, Online payment 20230620-12 – 20230712-02 (\$722.00)  
                  Chitek Lake Rec Site Online payment 20230620-01 – 20230620-16 (\$17,829.31)

**CARRIED**

**718/2023**      **MOVED BY: R. Fraser**  
                  **SECONDED BY: L. Paulton**  
                  THAT Bank Reconciliation Reports for June 2023 are approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**719/2023**      **MOVED BY: L. Paulton**

**SECONDED BY: J. Vandale**

THAT Financial Statements for June 2023 are approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATES**

Sheri V. Joined the meeting to make a presentation about the Lady of the Lake Church and Rectory and request a Tax Abatement on the Rectory property. The Church is currently exempt as per the Municipal Act. The Church will be 75 years old as of next year. It has services for residents and tourists from May to September long weekend. There are also services held in the rectory in early spring and fall and when the weather is cold. There a number of repairs required on the Rectory and community residents will be doing some fundraising to help with the cost of these repairs.

The Church group will provide a list of repairs that are required with costs. There may be some grants that they can apply for assistance with these repairs. Further discussion will be required and investigation into what a tax abatement might look like in regards to how much and how long and what can be abated.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Resident concerns for Cat at Large are coming from multiple areas in the Village. We currently have a Bylaw specific to dogs and will be revising this to consider cats and other domestic animals. CAO Westmacott to send a letter to residents known to be feeding feral cats and not keeping their pets contained in their yards. CAO Westmacott will post the first draft of modified Bylaw with readings to happen in August meeting.

Resident request for multiple Boat Launch passes. Each residential tax payer will receive one launch pass, any additional launch passes required will need to be purchased at the office.

Resident concern for dumping branches leaves and garbage in the forest around the Village. CAO Westmacott to make residents aware of the cost of garbage and recycle removal as well as the cost that will now be incurred to clean up these areas. If this dumping continues we may need to block access points to the trails so this cannot happen. The Village will advertise landfill open time Saturday from 11 AM – 2 PM July 30, Aug 6, Aug 13, Aug 20 and Aug 27. A staff member will be onsite to direct flow of materials and collect payment. The drop off of any burnable material (branches, leaves,

unpainted/untreated wood is FREE of charge at the landfill. The drop off of concrete, metal, appliances are at a cost. See fee guide on the Village website. Fridges or freezers must have freon removed and a plumber certificate attached. Washers and dryers must have doors removed. Transfer Station will remain by appointment only on the weekend.

Resident concern for parking on the street in a corner. CAO Westmacott to send a letter to the resident asking to park in their yard. May place a No Parking sign if there isn't one.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**720/2023**      **MOVED BY: L. Paulton**

**SECONDED BY: J. Vandale**

THAT Building Permit Application for shed on Lot 37 Block M has been approved.

**CARRIED**

**721/2023**      **MOVED BY: J. Vandale**

**SECONDED BY: R. Fraser**

THAT Council accepts Sensus Auditor Engagement letter for 2023.

**CARRIED**

CAO Westmacott to post the 2022 Audited Financial Statements online.

**NO IN-CAMERA SESSION**

**Meeting abruptly ended with disruption from Annette P. She felt parliamentary procedures are not followed correctly.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:40 PM**

Next Regular Meeting August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:00pm

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Mayor/ Councillor

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Acting Chief Administrative Officer