

**VILLAGE OF MEATH PARK  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**A regular meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers located at 8 Railway Ave W Meath Park, SK on Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

**Attendance** Mayor: David Wall  
Deputy Mayor/Councillor: Kristel Wood  
Councillor: Terence Pichette  
Administrator: Rebecca Matthews

**Call to Order** A quorum being present, Mayor David Wall called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.

**No. 01-02-25 Minutes**  
**Moved by: Kristel Wood**  
That the minutes of the regular meeting held January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 be adopted as read.

**CARRIED**

**No. 02-02-25 Financials**  
**Moved by: Kristel Wood**  
That the Statement of Financial Activities for January 2025 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**No. 03-02-25 Accounts for Approval**  
**Moved by: Terence Pichette**  
That the accounts submitted for payment totaling \$19,348.56 as per attached listing of voucher #'s 3408 – 3417 approved for payment.

**CARRIED**

**No. 04-02-25 Accounts for Ratification**  
**Moved by: Terence Pichette**  
That we ratify payment of electronic transfers & debit card payment #'s 2025-001 to 2025-015 totaling \$11,703.98 as per attached listing presented by the Administrator.

AND FURTHER THAT the January 2025 payroll in the amount of \$7,063.85 transferred by direct deposit through Paymate be approved for payment.

**CARRIED**

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**No. 05-02-25**

**Correspondence**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That the following correspondence having been read, be filed.

Joyce Ward – SRSD Board Highlights – Emails dated January 13<sup>th</sup> & February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Kevin Lalonde – SaskPower – Email dated January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Building & Technical Standards – Email dated January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Alana Gunsch – NSRBC – Email dated January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Garden River Fire Association – December Minutes – Received January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025  
Dale Harrison – NWWR- Email dated February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Beth Herzog – NCTPC – Email dated February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Randy Goulden – SUMA – Email dated February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**CARRIED**

**No. 06-02-25**

**Invasive Plants of Saskatchewan**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That we order 12 pocket guides & 20 ID guides from the North Saskatchewan River Basin Council.

**CARRIED**

Josh Stringer entered Council Chambers at 10:00 am.

Josh Stringer left Council Chambers at 10:39 am.

**No. 07-02-25**

**GRFD Committee Report**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That the verbal Garden River Fire Association report presented by David Wall be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**No. 08-02-25**

**Meath Park Community Hall Committee Report**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That the verbal Meath Park Community Hall Committee report presented by Kristel Wood be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**No. 09-02-25**

**MPIG Committee Report**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That the verbal Meath Park Improvement Group (MPIG) report presented by Kristel Wood be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

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**No. 10-02-25      Meath Park Arena Committee Report**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That the verbal Meath Park Arena report presented by Terence Pichette be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

Matt Rustad joined the Council meeting via conference call at 10:57 am.

Matt Rustad left the Council meeting conference call at 11:19 am.

**No. 11-02-25      Community Planning**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That we have Meridian Surveys Ltd. submit an application to Community Planning for the new subdivision at a cost of \$3,750.00 plus applicable taxes.

**CARRIED**

**No. 12-02-25      Grant Confirmation**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That we acknowledge the 2024 Grant Payment Confirmation Report from the Financial Management Unit of Municipal Infrastructure and Finance.

**CARRIED**

**No. 13-02-25      May Meeting**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That the May regular meeting of Council be changed from May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at 1:00 pm.

**CARRIED**

**No. 14-02-25      Tax Enforcement**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That TAXervice, on behalf of the Village of Meath Park, be authorized to proceed under *The Tax Enforcement Act* to acquire title for the following described land:

LOT 15-BLK/PAR 2-PLAN BJ2537 EXT 0, 148425677

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**No. 15-02-25**

**SAMA AGM**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That we appoint No One as a voting delegate and to attend the Saskatchewan Assessment Agency (SAMA) 2025 Annual General Meeting held on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 in Regina.

**CARRIED**

**No. 16-02-25**

**Canada Post & the Industrial Inquiry Commission**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

**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.

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**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 Meath Park provide input to the *Commission* in the form of a written submission.

**Therefore, be it resolved** that the Village of Meath Park 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**

**No. 17-02-25      RCMP Policing Report**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That we acknowledge the January Smeaton/Nipawin RCMP Community Policing Report.

**CARRIED**

**Cameras** – Tabled to the March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Council meeting.

**No. 18-02-25      Water Treatment Plant Report**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That the council accepts as presented the Water Treatment Plant monthly report for January 2025.

**CARRIED**

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**No. 19-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That bylaw No. 01-2025 being a bylaw to fix the rates to be charged for the use and consumption of recycle and garbage in the municipality to be read for the first time.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:  
David Wall  
Terence Pichette  
Kristel Wood

Against:

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 20-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That bylaw No. 01-2025 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:  
David Wall  
Terence Pichette  
Kristel Wood

Against:

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 21-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That bylaw No. 01-2025 be given three readings at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:  
David Wall  
Terence Pichette  
Kristel Wood

Against:

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

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**No. 22-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That bylaw No. 01-2025 being a bylaw to fix the rates to be charged for the use and consumption of recycle and garbage in the municipality be read a third time and adopted.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Terence Pichette

Kristel Wood

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 23-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That bylaw No. 02-2025 being a bylaw to provide for a minimum tax be read for the first time.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Terence Pichette

Kristel Wood

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 24-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That bylaw No. 02-2025 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Terence Pichette

Kristel Wood

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

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**No. 25-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Kristel wood**

That bylaw No. 02-2025 be given three readings at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Terence Pichette

Kristel Wood

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 26-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That bylaw No. 02-2025 being a bylaw to provide for a minimum tax be read a third time and adopted.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Terence Pichette

Kristel Wood

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 27-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That bylaw No. 03-2025 being a bylaw to provide for a base tax to be read for the first time.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Kristel Wood

Terence Pichette

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_



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**No. 28-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That bylaw No. 03-2025 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Kristel Wood

Terence Pichette

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 29-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Kristel Wood**

That bylaw No. 03-2025 be given three readings at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Kristel Wood

Terence Pichette

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

**No. 30-02-25**

**Bylaw**

**Moved by: Terence Pichette**

That bylaw No. 03-2025 being a bylaw to provide for a base tax be read a third time and adopted.

**CARRIED**

Recorded Vote Requested: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_

For:

Against:

David Wall

Kristel Wood

Terence Pichette

Carried **X** Defeated \_\_\_\_

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**No. 31-02-25      Mill Rate**  
**Moved by: Kristel Wood**  
That we set the Village of Meath Park's mill rate at 9.5.

**CARRIED**

**No. 32-02-25      Adjourn**  
**Moved by: Kristel Wood**  
That this meeting is adjourned at 3:20 pm.

**CARRIED**

**Minutes adopted by resolution of Council on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.**

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**Mayor, David Wall**

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**Administrator, Rebecca Matthews**