

**CITY OF MORDEN**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**December 28, 2022**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Morden held in Council Chambers at Morden, Manitoba this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, A.D. 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

- 1.0 Present:** Mayor Brandon Burley (chair), Deputy Mayor Gord Maddock, Councillors Doug Frost, Sheldon Friesen, Nancy Penner, Garry Hiebert, Florian Lassnig, City Manager Nicole Reidle, Deputy City Manager Santokh Randhawa, Director of Finance & Administration Ed Barnuevo, Executive Assistant Michelle Braun, Youth Council Member Maja Piekarska.

**2.0** **ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the agenda for the meeting of December 28, 2022 is hereby adopted with the following amendment:

- *Item 8.14 Removed – Tabled for further discussion at January Council meeting*

(Carried)

**3.0** **PUBLIC HEARING**

*None*

**4.0** **DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

Josh Shetter and Christine Ronceray

- Presented a handout which included a Communication for Action for Morden City Council with a request to withhold city tax dollars until certain books have been pulled from the shelves of the South-Central Regional Library.

**5.0** **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

5.1  
Nov. 28/2022  
Special  
Meeting

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the special meeting of Council held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.2  
Nov. 28/2022  
Regular  
Meeting

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.3  
Dec. 13/2022  
Committee of  
the Whole

**MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.4  
Dec. 13/2022  
Special  
meeting

**MOVED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the special meeting of Council held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

**6.0**      Recognition of Individuals and/or Organizations Accomplishments in the Community  
*None*

**7.0**      Youth Member Report

- Ms. Piekarska reported that the youth in the community would like to see an evening with a guest speaker to explore potential options for careers. Ms. Piekarska has already reached out to the Access Event Centre to book a room to hold these events.

**8.0**      General Business

8.1  
Accounts

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the accounts payable to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be confirmed in the amount of \$2,531,115.64 which includes the following:

- \$ 1,832,878.59 – cheque numbers 19808 to 20225
- \$ 9,358.00 – credit card payments
- \$ 678,793.86 – payroll
- \$ 13,085.19 – Pembina Valley Water Co-op

(Carried)

8.2  
2023  
Provisional  
Estimates

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden approve the 2023 Provisional Estimates as follows:

<u>Provisional Estimates 2022</u>	<u>2023 Interim</u>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>\$ 6,896,300</b>
Community Services	\$ 1,365,000
Economic Development Services	\$ 465,000
Environmental Development Services	\$ 1,300
Environmental Health Services	\$ 305,000
Fiscal Services	\$ 465,000
General Gov't Services	\$ 655,000

Other	\$ 975,000
Protective Services	\$ 1,415,000
Public Health & Welfare	\$ 85,000
Transfers	\$ 455,000
Transportation Services	\$ 710,000
<b>Expense – Utility</b>	<b>\$ 1,546,000</b>
Administration	\$ 90,000
Debenture Debt Charges	\$ 467,000
Engineering	\$ -
Sewage Collection & Disposal	\$ 87,000
Transfers to Reserves	\$ 322,000
Water Supply	\$ 580,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,442,300</b>

(Carried)

8.3  
2022 Auditor  
Appointment

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden appoint Sensus CPA as the municipal auditor for the year 2022, at a cost of \$27,994.40, as per their proposal.

(Carried)

8.4  
Sustainable  
Communities  
Grant Funding

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden support the application for the Sustainable Communities Grant Funding for the Transportation and Drainage Master Plan;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the total estimated cost of the project is \$162,000.00, with the Building Sustainable Communities funding max being \$75,000, with the balance of \$87,000.00 to be borne by the City of Morden 2023 General Operating budget.

(Carried)

8.5  
Pembina  
Valley  
Watershed  
District board  
appointment

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden appoint Brian Minaker as the citizen representative on the Pembina Valley Watershed District board, effective immediately.

(Carried)

8.6  
RRBC  
Conference,  
January 2023

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden authorize Councillor Nancy Penner and Councillor Sheldon Friesen to attend the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Red River Basin Land & Water International Summit Conference, to be held at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg from January 17<sup>th</sup> to January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council authorize reimbursement of mileage expenses to said members of Council for the same.

(Carried)

8.7  
MWSB – Raw  
Water Supply Pre-  
design & EAP

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden authorize Bill Klassen Auctions Ltd. to sell unused vehicles and equipment from the City of Morden Public Works yard, at a cost of 10% of completed sales.

(Carried)

8.8  
MWSB – Sewage  
Lift Station  
agreement

**MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden adopt the 2023 SERC Municipal Emergency Plan as presented.

(Carried)

8.9  
Donation of  
shares

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden authorize the removal of 3 smaller diameter trees of moderate condition, and prune the remaining trees at 253 15<sup>th</sup> Street, as per the recommendation of the Director of Parks & Urban Forestry.

(Carried)

8.10  
Donation of  
shares

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden give 1<sup>st</sup> reading to By-law 16-2022, being a by-law to implement a Commercial and Industrial Financial Assistance Program for eligible properties in the City of Morden.

(Carried)

8.11  
Donation of  
shares

**MOVED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden authorize the creation of Columbarium Policy, G/A 37, as presented.

(Carried)

8.12  
Donation of  
shares

**MOVED BY Councillor Sheldon Friesen  
SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**WHEREAS** Manitoba has prepared an expansion proposal for the Pembina Valley Watershed District that supports watershed-based management in Manitoba, and outlines the details of municipal participation in the Pembina Valley Watershed District;

**AND WHEREAS**, the City of Morden has met with Manitoba regarding the expansion proposal for the Pembina Valley Watershed District;

**AND WHEREAS**, council of the City of Morden understands that the amendment to the Watershed Districts Regulation will include the final details of participation in the Pembina Valley Watershed District;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** Council of the City of Morden supports the proposed area of the Rural Municipality of Roland forming part of the Pembina Valley Watershed District in accordance with The Watershed Districts Act and Regulation.

(Carried)

8.13  
Donation of  
shares

**MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner  
SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to By-law No. 15-2022, being a by-law to rezone Lot 2, Plan 59638 & Lot 6, Plan 2020 in the City of Morden.

(Defeated)

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

*None*

**10.0 OTHER BUSINESS**

- 10.1 Wastewater Treatment Feasibility Study
  - received as information only
- 10.2 Letter in support of South-Central Regional Library & Council
  - received as information only
- 10.3 Morden Area Foundation – Thank-you letter re: Donation
  - received as information only

**11.0 IN-CAMERA**

*None*

12.0

Adjourn  
8:05PM

**ADJOURN**

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Florian Lassnig**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the regular meeting of Council of the City of Morden does now adjourn.

(Carried)

Next regular meeting of Council scheduled for January 30, 2023 at 7:00pm.

**CITY OF MORDEN**

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**Mayor**

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**City Manager**