

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF ESTERHAZY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 15, 2021
IN THE TOWN OF ESTERHAZY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT: Mayor Grant Forster and Councilors Tenille Flick, Earl Nickell, Vern Petracek, Maggie Rowland

ABSENT: Councilor Randy Bot and Marty Pfeifer

STAFF: Community Development & Recreation Director - Garth Forster
Director of Operations – Joel Friesen
Community Planning & Economic Development Director – Tammy MacDonald
Chief Administrative Officer – Mike Thorley

ABSENT: Nil

CALL TO ORDER:

With a quorum present, Mayor Forster called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

AGENDA: Additions/Deletions: RM of Langenburg #181

353-2021. Rowland: THAT the Agenda of December 15, 2021 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED.

MINUTES: **354-2021. Flick:** THAT the minutes of the November 24, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

DELEGATION: Nil

FINANCIALS: **355-2021. Petracek:** THAT trial balance for month ending November 30, 2021 be approved as presented; the list of accounts #30115 to #30202 for the amount of \$467,312.14 and the Source Deductions #957 - #959 for the amount of \$51,306.16 be approved as amended.
CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Planning/Development Report – Received and presented.
Community Development/Recreation Report – Received and presented.
Fire Department Report – Received and presented.
Water Works Report – Received and presented two months of reports.
Public Works/Director of Operations Report – Received and presented.
Chief Administrative Officer Report – Received and presented.

HOURS OF OPERATION – ALL DEPARTMENTS

356-2021. Flick: THAT Council approves of the following hours of operation and closures over the upcoming holiday season:

Friday December 24	Closed	All Departments (Public Works on-call)
Saturday December 25	Closed	
Sunday December 26	Closed	
Monday December 27	Closed	Office, Public Works (Public Works on-call)
	Open	Recreation
Tuesday December 28	Closed	Office, Public Works (Public Works on-call)
	Open	Recreation
Wed. December 29	Open	All Departments (including Landfill)
Thursday December 30	Open	All Departments (including Landfill)
Friday December 31	Closed	All Departments
Saturday January 1	Closed	All Departments
Sunday January 2	Closed	Office, Public Works
	Open	Recreation
Monday January 3	Open	All Departments

CARRIED.

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COUNCIL INDEMNITY

357-2021. Nickell: THAT Council approves the recommendation from Administration to have council's monthly indemnity be processed through the payroll system each month.
CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

358-2021. Flick: THAT the Administrative reports be accepted as presented.
CARRIED.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Area Meeting - Highlights

OLD BUSINESS

Contractual Services – Economic Development
Esterhazy Landfill – Hruska Water Management Project

Councilor Bot entered the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

359-2021. Nickell: THAT Council approves of the recommendation from the Economic Development Committee to enter into a contractual service agreement with contractor Lee Finishen commencing January 1, 2022 for a six-month term at the cost of \$4,000 per month.

**IN FAVOR – 5
OPPOSED – 1
CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS:

2022 Auditor – Miller Moar Grodecki Kreklewich & Chorney
2022 Council Meeting Dates
Bohemka Rhythmic Gymnastics Club

2022 AUDITOR MILLER MOAR GRODECKI KREKLEWICH & CHORNEY

360-2021. Rowland: THAT Council approve of the hiring for services of Miller Moar Grodecki Kreklewich & Chorney Chartered Professional Accountants as Auditors for 2021.

CARRIED.

2022 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

361-2021. Flick: THAT as per Bylaw #729-15, the Procedure Bylaw, Council Meeting for the Town of Esterhazy on every second Wednesday of the month commencing at 6:30 p.m. are as follows:

January 12 & 26
February 9 & 23
March 9 & 23
April 13 & 27
May 11 & 25
June 8 & 22
July 13 & 27
August 10 & 24
September 14 & 28
October 12 & 26
November 9 & 23
December 14

CARRIED.

Mayor

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BOHEMKA RYTHMIC GYMNASTICS CLUB

362-2021. Petracek: that Council Approves to forgive the rental fee on Sunday March 27, 2022 of the booking by Bohemka Rythmic Gymnastics Club for the World Gymnastrata festival event.

CARRIED.

TEMPORARY SUSPEND MEETING – PUBLIC HEARING

363-2021. Rowland: THAT Council approves to temporarily suspend this meeting to open the floor for the Public Hearing scheduled for 6:15 p.m.

Time: 6:14 p.m.

CARRIED.

364-2021. Nickell: THAT Council adjourn the Public Hearing meeting.

Time: 6:19 p.m.

CARRIED.

365-2021. Bot: THAT Council resume the December 15, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council.

Time: 6:20 p.m.

CARRIED.

Councilor Flick left the Chambers at 6:30 p.m., declaring a conflict of interest with the next item of business.

BYLAW NO. 776-21 – CLOSE AND EXCHANGE MUNICIPAL RESERVE

366-2021. Rowland: THAT Bylaw No. 776-21 is a bylaw of the Town of Esterhazy to Close & Exchange Municipal Reserve pursuant to Subsection 199 and 201 of Planning and Development Act, 2007 be read a second time.

CARRIED.

367-2021. Bot: THAT Bylaw No. 776-2021 be read a third time, adopted and attached hereto.

CARRIED.

Councilor Flick returned to Chambers at 6:31 p.m.

RM OF LANGENBURG NO. 181

368-2021. Nickell: THAT Council support the request of R.M. of Langenburg No. 181 for the resolution to SARM of the Abandoned Derelict Houses/Building Program.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

*Good Spirit School Division
SUMA – Group Benefits
Saskatchewan Housing Authority
Bylaw Enforcement Report
SUMA – Municipal Update
Water Security Agency
Area Meeting – Documents
Saskatchewan Municipal Board – Water and Sewer Rates*

Councilor Pfeifer entered the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

369-2021. Rowland: THAT the correspondence be accepted as presented and filed.

CARRIED.

Mayor

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ADJOURNMENT:

370-2021. Rowland: THAT this meeting of Council now be adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer