

**The regular meeting of the Council for the
R.M. of Ponass Lake was held in the R.M. Office
130 Centre Street Rose Valley
on Wednesday, December 13, 2023.**

	PRESENT:	REEVE: Allan Nelson COUNCILLORS: David Zagrodney, Marlon Olynick, Dennis Martinson, Robin Rustad and Rick Sunderland ADMINISTRATOR: Loretta Prevost
	ABSENT:	COUNCILLOR: Tyrell Sunderland
	CALL TO ORDER	8:00 AM a quorum being present, Reeve Nelson called the meeting to order.
292/23	MINUTES	RUSTAD: THAT the minutes of the November 15, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council held in the RM Office in Rose Valley be approved as read. Carried
293/23	STMT OF FIN. ACT.	MARTINSON: THAT the detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the month of November, 2023 be accepted as presented. Carried
294/23	REPORTS	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT the following reports be accepted as presented: RCMP CTSS District Commander Update Carried
295/23	SEASONAL EMPLOYEE	RUSTAD: THAT the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367 notify Tracey Gwilliam that effective December 31, 2023 her employment will be terminated. Carried
296/23	RESCUE BOUNDARY	RUSTAD: THAT the administrator arrange a meeting with the Rose Valley & District Fire Chief, the Deputy Fire Chief and a representative from the Kelvington Fire Department, Naicam Fire Department and Quill Lake Fire Department to amend the Rescue Boundary within the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367. Carried
297/23	TSS APPLY	MARTINSON: THAT the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367 acknowledges that an application has been submitted to the Targeted Sector Support Program for Inter-Municipal Emergency Plan and Capacity Development and the municipality will be responsible for payment of 50% of the municipal share if the project is approved for funding. Carried
298/23	GRAVEL AGREE	ZAGRODNEY: THAT the 2024 Gravel Crush and Haul Agreements are approved as presented and the administrator is instructed to send them to Haas Construction and Chupa Trucking and Excavating and once signed by the aforementioned contractors the administrator and Reeve are instructed to sign them on behalf of the municipality. Carried
299/23	AUDITOR APPOINT.	OLYNICK: THAT Janke LLP, Professional Accountants of Tisdale, Saskatchewan be appointed to do the 2023 audit for the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367; THAT the reeve and administrator sign the letter of engagement which includes the relevant terms that will govern the engagement; AND THAT council acknowledges completion of the audit questionnaire and accepts the same. Carried
300/23	PSIP CLAIM	ZAGRODNEY: THAT the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367 filed a claim with the SARM Property Self Insurance Program for damage that occurred due to an impact during ditch mowing on September 28, 2023 to the 2014 Massy Ferguson 7614 Tractor Serial Number E126002 and the Degelman Rev1500 Mower Serial Number RC1854. Carried
301/23	C & D LEVIES	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT the outstanding 2023 levies for the C & D's be paid in full as of December 31, 2023. Carried

302/23	EMPLOY. LEAVE	<p>RUSTAD: THAT council approve the following employees' requests for leave: Justin Wilton-November 6 & 16, 2023 (sick) Trent Wilton-November 22 & 23, 2023 (sick) Kevin Rohs-November 27-December 1, 2023 (sick) Carried</p>
	8:50 AM	Dale Whitford, Fire Chief attended the meeting to advise council that the air compressor in the fire hall is no longer operational.
	9:45 AM	Fire Chief Whitford left the meeting
303/23	FIREHALL COMPRESS.	<p>RUSTAD: THAT the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367 approve the purchase of an air compressor for the fire hall: AND THAT the administrator contact the Town of Rose Valley to cost share the purchase 50/50. Carried</p>
304/23	BUDGET REVIEW	<p>RUSTAD: THAT the administrator is instructed to transfer any surplus as of December 31, 2023 to the Tractors and Other Equipment Reserve. Carried</p>
305/23	NUT LAKE WATERSHED LEVY	<p>MARTINSON: THAT approval for payment of the 2023 Nut Lake Watershed Levy be postponed until the next regular meeting as we have not received the requested financial statements. Carried</p>
306/23	DISTRICT # 42 RAT CONTROL	<p>RUSTAD: THAT council for the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367 acknowledges receiving notification from the District #42 Rat Control Board that Bert Hunt is still owed \$3,043.95 from 2022; THAT payment in the amount of \$608.79, this municipality's share of the past due amount, be paid directly to Bert Hunt; AND THAT the administrator advise the Secretary-Treasurer that Mr. Hunt has been paid directly and that the municipality still has not received the financial statements that have been requested numerous times since 2021. Carried</p>
	9:20 AM	Councillor Zagrodney, representative on the Kelvington Veterinarian Board, presented council with a report subsequent to attending the board meeting. The board is recommending decommissioning of the veterinarian building located in Kelvington, Saskatchewan.
307/23	VET. BUILDING	<p>ZAGRODNEY: THAT council for the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367 recommend that the Kelvington Veterinary Board pursue an agreement with a veterinarian that may be interested in expanding his practice to include Kelvington and Area; AND THAT if the veterinarian is not interested in setting up at the facility, the land be subdivided and the building be offered for sale. Carried</p>
308/23	9:45 AM CLOSED SESSION	<p>RUSTAD: THAT this meeting be closed to the public for discussion of the Administrator's Agreement. Carried</p>
309/23	9:55 AM	<p>MARTINSON: THAT the closed Session end and the regular meeting reconvene. Carried</p>
310/23	ADMIN. AGREE- MENT	<p>RUSTAD: THAT the Reeve and Administrator sign the Addendum to the Administrator's Agreement, setting the administrator's salary for 2024, attached to and forming part of these minutes. Carried</p>
311/23	ROAD MAINT. AGREE- MENT	<p>R. SUNDERLAND: THAT the R.M. of Ponass Lake No. 367 enter into a Road Maintenance Agreement with the R.M. of Bjorkdale No. 426 for hauling gravel on or over the following roads: N of 07, 08, 09-41-12 W2 and W of 06, 07-41-12 W2; THAT the excavation fee is 9.4 cents per tonne (13.4 cents per cubic yard); THAT the extra road maintenance and repair rate is a sum equal to the estimated quantities times a rate of \$0.0587 per tonne per kilometer, at one half rate if hauling takes place during winter haul period, between November 15th and February 28th; AND THAT this agreement shall expire December 31, 2024. Carried</p>

312/23	ROAD MAINT. AGREE-	OLYNICK: THAT the R.M. of Ponass Lake No. 367 enter into a Road Maintenance Agreement with the R.M. of Kelvington No. 366 for hauling gravel on or over the following roads: W of 30, 31-40-12 W2; THAT the extra road maintenance and repair rate is a sum equal to the estimated quantities times a rate of 0.0587 per tonne per kilometer, at one half rate if hauling takes place during winter haul period, between November 15 th and February 28 th ; AND THAT this agreement shall expire March 1, 2024. Carried
313/23	ROAD MAINT. AGREE-	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT the R.M. of Ponass Lake No. 367 enter into a Road Maintenance Agreement with the R.M. of Barrier Valley No. 397 for hauling gravel on or over the following roads: S of 25-40-13 W2 and W of 13, 24-40-13 W2; THAT the extra road maintenance and repair rate is a sum equal to the estimated quantities times a rate of \$0.0587 per tonne per kilometer, at one half rate if hauling takes place during winter haul period, between November 15 th and February 28 th ; AND THAT this agreement shall expire March 1, 2024. Carried
314/23	JAN. MEETING	RUSTAD: THAT the January 2024 Regular Meeting of Council be held on Monday January 8, 2024 at 8:00 AM. Carried
315/23	TTP SALE	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT the Administrator advertise Lot 4 Blk/Par 1 Plan BE2415 and Lot 6 Blk/Par 1 Plan BE3023 land for sale by tender in the Kelvington Chronicle's January 9, 2024 edition, the Melfort Journal's January 12, 2024 edition and post the advertisement in the Municipal Office; THAT tenders close on February 5, 2024 at 4:00 PM; AND THAT the opening of tenders be scheduled for the February 14, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council. Carried
316/23	SUB- DIVISION APPROVAL	ZAGRODNEY: THAT the Council for the RM of Ponass Lake No. 367 has no objection to the proposed subdivision of the NW 22-37-13 W2, there are no land uses in the vicinity that would be incompatible with the intended use, no facilities will be affected and access is already existing so no servicing agreements are required. Carried
317/23		OLYNICK: THAT the Council for the RM of Ponass Lake No. 367 has no objection to the proposed subdivision of the SE 28-37-15 W2, there are no land uses in the vicinity that would be incompatible with the intended use, no facilities will be affected and access is already existing so no servicing agreements are required. Carried
318/23	HANDI-VAN DONATION	RUSTAD: THAT consideration of the donation request made by the Rose Valley and District Care Bus Lines Inc. board to purchase a new handi-van be postponed until the next regular meeting of council. Carried
319/23	FIRE CALL INVOICE	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT invoice 2023-00060 for a fire call on September 27, 2023 be voided and a new bill be issued for the fire members that attended and the one truck that responded to the scene. Carried
320/23	PHO MEETING INVITE	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT council invite Katey Makohoniuk, Plant Health Technical Advisor, SARM Division 4 to attend the February 14, 2024 Regular Meeting of council. Carried
321/23	ACCOUNTS	R. SUNDERLAND: THAT the accounts as listed and attached to forming part of these minutes having been reviewed in full now be approved to be paid for a total of \$93,194.49. Carried

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GENERAL
CORRESP.

MARTINSON: THAT the following correspondence be filed in the appropriate manner:
Stars Horizons-Fall 2023
The Furrow-November 2023
Think Big-Q4 2023
Rural Councillor-Winter 2023
Flaman-Product Guide 2024
SARM-Holiday Message
APAS Update-November 16, 23, 30 & December 7, 2023 (previously emailed to council)
MEPP-Employer Bulletin-November 2023
Rural Dart-November 21, 28 & December 12, 2023
Rural Sheaf-November 2023
SaskFSA-AGM & Landowner Consultations-December 14, 2023 (previously emailed to council)
SUMA Municipal Update-November 20, 2023
Municipalities Today-November 2023
Community Connection 2022/2023
Farmers’ Voice-Fall 2023
Carried
- 323/23

SASK-
ENERGY

RUSTAD: THAT council approve SaskEnergy’s planned line relocation between NW 28-38-13 W2 and SW 28-38-13 W2.
Carried
- 324/23

ADJOURN

ZAGRODNEY: THAT this meeting adjourn at 10:45 AM.
Carried

The next Regular Meeting of Council is January 8, 2024

Submitted to the head of council this 8th day of January, 2024.

Loretta Prevost

ADMINISTRATOR

Allan Nelson

REEVE